

Eid al-Adha

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The Story of Sacrifice

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Useful words:

Allah – means God

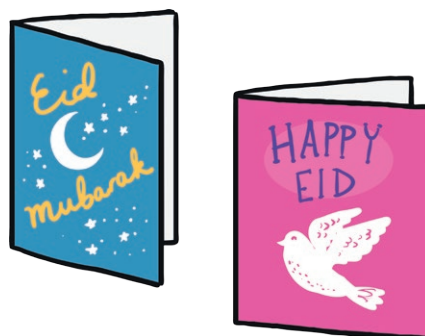
Sacrifice - means to kill something in honour of God or Allah

Celebrating Eid al-Adha

Muslims might:

- go to the Mosque;
- send cards to each other;
- give presents.

It is a special time for Muslims to give thanks to Allah for everything they have.



Questions

1. What religion would you be if you celebrate Eid al-Adha? Tick one.

Christian ☐

Hindu ☐

Muslim ☐

2. Who spoke to Prophet Ibrahim in a dream? Tick one.

his son ☐

Allah ☐

Muslims ☐

3. What did Allah tell Prophet Ibrahim to do? Tick one.

sacrifice his son ☐

go to the mosque ☐

go and pray ☐

4. What did Prophet Ibrahim have to sacrifice instead? Tick one.

a goat ☐

a ram ☐

a duck ☐

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sing to each other ☐

send cards ☐

send rams ☐

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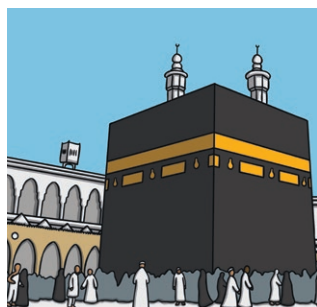
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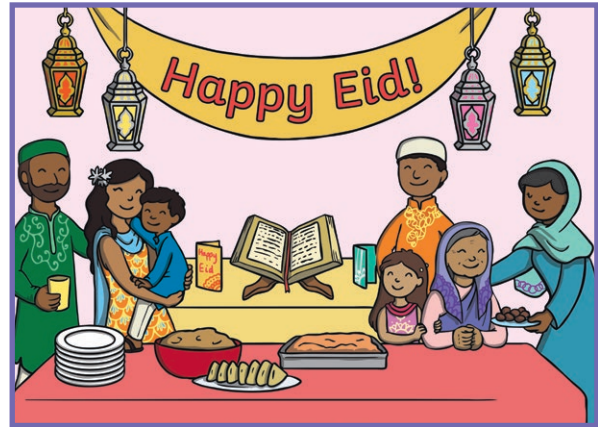
Allah is the name for God.

Obedience means to do as you are told.

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Celebrating Eid al-Adha

- Muslim families celebrate Eid al-Adha by wearing new clothes and going to the Mosque. They give thanks to Allah for the blessings they have received.
- They share meals with family and friends.



Questions

1. What religion are people who celebrate Eid al-Adha?

Hindu ☐

Buddhist ☐

Muslim ☐

2. What is this festival also called?

The Festival of Obedience ☐

The Festival of Sacrifice ☐

The Festival of Allah ☐

3. Find and copy one word which means something is killed to prove love for God or Allah.

4. How did Allah speak to Prophet Ibrahim?

he met him ☐

in a river ☐

in a dream ☐

5. Complete this sentence.

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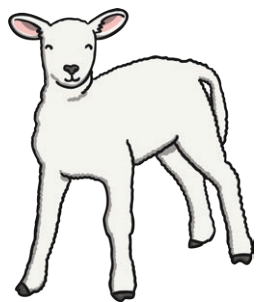
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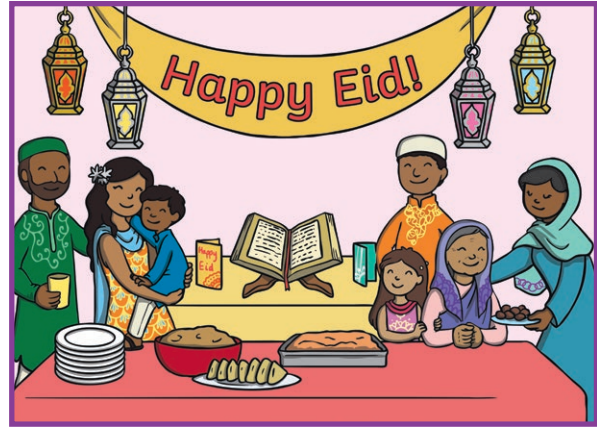
To sacrifice something means to kill it. Throughout history, people have sacrificed animals to their god as a sign of love and devotion.

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Celebrating Eid al-Adha

- Muslim families celebrate Eid al-Adha by wearing new clothes and going to the Mosque. They give thanks to Allah for the blessings they have received.
- They share meals with family and friends.
- Some families will sacrifice a lamb or a goat. They will give meat to family, friends and the poor.
- Some Muslims will make the journey (hajj) to Makkah, where they praise and worship Allah.
- They send cards to one another and give gifts.
- Females will decorate their hands with mehndi patterns.
Mehndi is made from crushed henna leaves mixed with oil and other liquids such as lemon juice, water or tea.



Questions

1. Why did Allah tell Prophet Ibrahim to sacrifice his son?

2. How did Prophet Ibrahim feel about Allah? Tick one.

He was angry with him. ☐

He loved him. ☐

He was afraid of him. ☐

3. Why do you think Prophet Ibrahim found it hard to do what Allah wanted?

4. Find and copy one word which means you do as you are told.

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Answers

1. Why did Allah tell Prophet Ibrahim to sacrifice his son?
Allah told Prophet Ibrahim to sacrifice his son to show his obedience to Allah.
2. How did Prophet Ibrahim feel about Allah? Tick one.
He loved him.
3. Why do you think Prophet Ibrahim found it hard to do what Allah wanted?
I think Prophet Ibrahim found it hard to do what Allah wanted because he loved his son and he loved Allah.
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obedience
5. How was Prophet Ibrahim's son saved?
Prophet Ibrahim's son was saved because Allah told Prophet Ibrahim to stop just before he sacrificed him.
6. Explain what Muslims might do which shows Eid al-Adha is a celebration.
Answers may include: go to the mosque; sacrifice a lamb or goat; send cards; give presents; decorate their hands with mehndi patterns.