

- Sunni:** 85-90% of Muslims
- Six Articles of Faith: Belief in...**
1. **Tawhid** (oneness of Allah)
  2. **Nubuwwah** (the prophets)
  3. **Akhirah** (life after death)
  4. Kutub (holy books)
  5. Al Qadr (predestination)
  6. Malaikah (angels)

**BRANCHES OF ISLAM:**

- Shi'a:** 10-15% of Muslims
- Five Roots of Usul ad-Din: Belief in...**
1. **Tawhid** (oneness of Allah)
  2. **Nubuwwah** (the prophets)
  3. **Al Ma'ad** (resurrection)
  4. Imamate (authority of imams)
  5. Adalat (divine justice)

**The Twelvers:** Belief in twelve imams.

**The Seveners:** Believe Ishma'il was seventh imam.

**Shirk:** worshipping anyone or anything besides Allah.

**Just Judge:** Allah's final judgement is fair and right.

**NATURE OF ALLAH:**

**Tawhid:** Belief in the oneness or unity of Allah.

**Beneficent:** Allah is kind and compassionate.

**Transcendent:** Allah is beyond the world.

**Immanent:** In world. Qur'an: "Allah is nearer than his jugular vein."

**Sunnah:** The sayings, customs and traditions of Muhammad.

**Omnipotent:** All-powerful

**HOLY BOOKS:**

**Qur'an:** Word of God wrote in Arabic with 114 **suras**. Means "**recitation**."

**Hadith:** the example (or **Sunnah**) of Muhammad recorded in writing.

**Eternal:** Qur'an: "He is Allah, the One; Allah, the Eternal."

**Eid ul-Fitr:** Celebration of Ramadan's end

**Eid ul-Adha:** Remembering Allah's testing of Ibrahim to sacrifice Ishma'il.

**Other holy books:**

- **Tawrat** (revealed to Musa)
- **Suhuf** (scrolls of Abraham)
- **Zabur** (poems of Dawud)
- **Injil** (Gospel of Isa)

**Ashura:** Day of Atonement for Sunnis or remembrance of Hussein's martyrdom, (Muhammad's grandson) for Shi'as.

**GCSE RE Islam: Beliefs and teachings**

**THE FIVE PILLARS**

**1. Shahadah:** Muslim declaration of faith. Said upon conversion and during call to prayer (**adhan**). Uttered into ear of new-born baby and the deceased following death.

"There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is his messenger."

**2. Salah:** Prayer five (Sunni) or three (Shi'a) times a day facing Makkah (**qiblah**). Muslims will perform body washing before (**wudu**). Prayer involves a set series of body movements and recitations (**rak'ahs**).

Qur'an: "Fall prostrate and draw near to Allah."



**3. Sawm:** Fasting from sunrise till sunset during the month of Ramadan.

Qur'an: "Fasting is prescribed to you so that you may learn self-restraint."

**4. Zakah:** Giving 2.5% of income to charity or the Mosque to help the Muslim community (**ummah**).

Qur'an: "Any charity you give will be repaid to you."

**5. Hajj:** Pilgrimage to holy sites in Makkah. **Ihram:** Wearing white clothes during Hajj. **Tawaf:** Walking anti-clockwise around Ka'aba seven times. **Sa'y:** Journeying between two foothills Safa and Marwa seven times.

Hadith: "He will return as if he were born new (free from sins)."

To be done once in one's lifetime when healthy and its affordable.

**Angels'** as Allah's first creation: **immortal, free of sin and without free will**

**Role of Angels'** primary source of **message** between Allah and humankind

**JIBRIL – Angel of REVELATION** Revealed Allah's Word to the Prophet Mohamad Present on **JUDGEMENT DAY**

**MIKA'IL – Angel of MERCY** Guards the Gates of Heaven Will Reward people's deeds. Present on **JUDGEMENT DAY**

"Praise be to Allah...Who made the angels, messengers with wings (35:1)

**Two Angels** Muslims have two angels, which sit on either shoulder and are known as **Al-Kiram** and **Al-Katibun**. One of the angels records the good things the person has done and the other records the bad things the person has done.



**ANGELS, HEAVEN AND HELL**

Belief in Angels is called **Mala'kah**

One of the six articles in **Sunni Islam**

- **Jannah (Heaven):** It is usually called eternal paradise for those who pass judgement
  - **Jahannam (Hell):** The term for hell where there is suffering and can last forever
  - **Jinn (evil spirits)** whom are created from fire are born in hell
  - **Akhirah** is the term for afterlife and is usually considered **eternal**
- THIS THEREFORE MEANS WE HAVE FREE WILL AS OUR CHOICES HAVE REWARDS OR PUNISHMENT.**



- **Ummah:** This is the term for the first Muslim community
- **Sunnah:** The term to describe Mohammad's actions to learn from.
- **Haddith:** Collected spoken words of Mohammad.
- **Ayah** A verse of the Qur'an

**Sanctity of Qur'an**

- **Wudu (Ritual cleanse):** The act of bathing before reciting.
- **Rehal (stand):** The stand for the Qur'an.
- **Hafiz(a):** Someone who has learnt Qur'an by heart

**Mohammad**

He was seen as the **Final Prophet** by Allah.

There is only **ONE** God.

He had given the **Qur'an** to mankind. The **Sunnah** teaches us how to act and behave.



**Mohammad** was born in Mecca 570ce

**Risalah** means message/prophethood

**Prophets** There can be **NO** pictures of Mohammed or Allah out of respect

