

KS2 Unit 11, Lesson 7: Welcoming to Islam

Context: In this lesson Children will be introduced to the ceremonies, beliefs and practices involved in welcoming a new born baby to Islam.

Overview:

- Understand what happens and why at Muslims ceremony of birth.
- Moslem boys are circumcised like the prophet Abraham.
- How do Muslims prepare for this day
- What do these things say about what is important to Muslim people?
- Relate these things to obedience to the '5 Pillars of Islam' – Qu'ran.

Essential core:

Know the names of Prophets that lived before Muhammad who are named in the Qur'an, including: Adam, **Abraham**, Moses and Jesus. According to the Qur'an these prophets taught essentially the same religion (din) (from Adam to Muhammad). know that all the Prophets before Muhammad were given the same message. Muslims do not criticise the prophets of other religions, because of this. Muslims show great respect to these by adding the phrase, 'peace be upon them'. They also show great respect to the sacred texts of other religions; such as gospels and Torah.

Know that Islam means "Submission (to the will of Allah)" and the word Muslims means someone who has willingly submitted themselves to Allah.

Resources: <https://www.truetube.co.uk/film/muslim-birth-ceremonies>

Vocabulary: aqiaqah, adhan, iqahan, reciting, Allah, God, Tasmiyah, Tahneek, prophet Ibrahim, Khitan, circumcision, charity, ceremony

INTRODUCTION

Today Safriyya has brought in a box of dates! She is soon going to have a new baby cousin. Why does she need dates? What other things will happen when the new baby arrives?

Discuss with the children the preparation of the birth of a child to a Christian family. What practices takes place to welcome the child into Christianity. Discuss with the children their prior knowledge of other faith traditions – making comparisons where possible.

CELEBRATE:

<https://www.truetube.co.uk/film/muslim-birth-ceremonies>

Watch this video that explains Muslim birth ceremonies. Encourage the children to make notes on information regarding the welcoming of a new born baby to Islam. It would be useful to have the key vocabulary above displayed on the working wall to support the children during this activity.

REFLECT:

LA – story map what happens in Islam to mark the birth of a child using key words to depict the different stages

A – Identify the 6 key events that take place in Islam to mark the birth of a child – write a sentence or more to explain in more detail.

MA – create an information page on a Muslims Rite of Passage – information can be collected through ICT research and/or library searches in addition to the information presenting during the introduction.

PLENARY & FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:

What is so important about Muslim birth ceremonies? What has this got to do with Muslim beliefs about their covenant relationship with God and obedience to the Qu'ran and the 5 Pillars of Islam.