

## KS2 Unit 11, Lesson 8: Salat (prayer)

**Context:** In this lesson children will be introduced to the importance of Prayer.

### Overview:

- know what the five daily Salah (prayers) are and that they are a central part of a Muslim's life
- know that Muslims can offer Salah in any place, not only in a mosque

**Essential core:** Key belief – Islam (Submission to the will of Allah). Pupils should know and understand: Know that Islam means “Submission (to the will of Allah)” and the word Muslims means someone who has willingly submitted themselves to Allah. Understand that praying 5 times a day, which is prescribed in the Qur'an, is one way Muslims submit to the will of Allah. They do this by:

Being constantly reminded of Allah throughout the day, reminds them for what is important in their life and helps them straying from the path. The sujud position (prostration) reflects Muslim submission as a physical act. Salah can take place anywhere, as God created everything.

Raise and suggest answers to relevant questions in response to what they have learnt about the Islamic belief in submitting to the will of Allah and the practice of Salah. Attempt to support their answers using reasons and/or information.

**Resources:** <https://www.truetube.co.uk/film/muslim-prayer>

**Vocabulary:** - prayer, salat, ritual,

### INTRODUCTION:

Today Safiyya has brought in a prayer mat. When will she use it? How? Why? Why does she need to wash before she prays?

### Focus:

Watch the following clip – a Muslim women preparing for prayer; remind the children that Salat is the 2<sup>nd</sup> pillar of Islam - <https://www.truetube.co.uk/film/muslim-prayer>

Children should be encouraged to make notes using the video clip in relation to the following questions; Provide key questions for children to consider during the programme/clips e.g.

- ✓ How do Muslims prepare for prayer?
- ✓ Where can they pray?
- ✓ Are there any special instructions/positions to be adopted for prayer?

### REFLECT:

*MA* - In their books children to write a topical paragraph answering the following – *Why is prayer so important for Muslims? Children should be encouraged to include examples to support their explanations e.g. why they face a particular direction, why they wash before prayer etc.*

*LA – guided write with teacher* - In their books children to write a topical paragraph answering the following – how do Muslims prepare for prayer? Discuss with the children the importance of each stage to a Muslim.

### PLENARY & FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:

How does performing Salat show commitment to Islam?