

Muslim Community Curriculum Development

CURRICULUM SUBJECTS & CONTENT

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Islamic critique of secularized subjects, Islamic contribution to knowledge

To achieve the appropriate Level in the following Subjects, a pupil will -

◆ QUR'AN

Tajweed & Reading :

Level One : Know the letters and vowels, their shapes and combinations. Know "Al-Huruf al-Shamsiyyah" and "Al-Huruf al-Qamariyyah", and the varied pronunciations of "Lam" and "Ra". Read Juz 1-2.

Level Two : Be aware of the "Nun Sakin" and "Tanwin", "al-Ishar", "al-Idgham", "al-Iqlab" and "al-Ikhfa", "Mim Sakin", "Nun and Mim Mushaddadah", "al-Madd", "al-Waqf" and "al-Ibtida". Read Juz 3-6.

Level Three : Be familiar with all the rules of "Ilm-ul-Tajweed", and know their implementation. Read Juz 7-12.

Level Four : Read Juz 13-20.

Level Five : Read Juz 21-30.

◆ QUR'AN

Memorisation & Writing :

Level One : Be able to copy letters and simple words. Know the Bismillah, the Shahada, Surah 1 and Surah 112.

Level Two : Be able to write simple words independently. Be aware of different scripts. Know 10 short Surahs.

Level Three : Be familiar with calligraphic art. Know "Ayat-ul-Kursi" and 6 medium/short Surahs.

Level Four : Be able to write fluently. Know Surah 36.

Level Five : Know 1 medium/long Surah.

◆ QUR'AN

Understanding, Commentaries & Application to Life :

Level One : Know that Qur'an has meaning. Be aware of meanings of Arabic learned. Be aware of Adab of approach to Qur'an, Purification, Respect, and Reverence. Know that Qur'an is guidance for our lives.

Level Two : Know meanings of Surah 1 and Surah 112. Be familiar with meanings of Arabic learned. Understand the need for Sincerity and Gratitude when reading Qur'an. Know that Qur'an teaches Behaviour and Understanding.

Level Three : Understand that Qur'an can not be translated, only interpreted in various ways. Be aware of a variety of ways to interpret some known verses. Know of several Commentaries, and be familiar with their use.

Level Four : Be aware of the need to understand verses in context, and that the best commentary on Qur'an is the Qur'an. Be able to describe several themes running through Qur'an. Be familiar with the use of a Concordance.

Level Five : Be able to explain the relevance to our Behaviour and Understanding of several of the major themes of Qur'an. Be able to describe the complementary views to be drawn from a number of Commentaries.

◆ ARABIC LANGUAGE

Curriculum to be devised in consultation with the Arabic speaking community.

◆ MUHAMMAD (S)

Sayings of the Prophet :

Hadith Qudsi, Hadith Sharif, The Isnad, The Great Collections

Level One : Be aware of the difference between Qur'an and Ahadith. Know and be able to repeat at least one Hadith. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to Allah's Mercy, love and respect for parents, and Sadaqah.

Level Two : Know at least one Hadith Qudsi and several other Ahadith, and be aware of the difference between them. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to the Revelation of the Qur'an, Good Neighbourliness, and Knowledge.

Level Three : Be aware of the way that the Ahadith give detail to the general guidance of the Qur'an, and generalise specific Qur'anic instructions. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to Prayer and Fasting, and Jihad.

Level Four : Be aware of the importance given within the muslim community to the collection of Ahadith. Be familiar with the Great Collections. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to the Hajj, and the Prophet's Farewell Speech.

Level Five : Be aware of the verification of Ahadith through the use of the Isnad. Be familiar with the science of Hadith criticism, and be aware of some of its terminology. Be able to explain the use of Ahadith in Shari'ah.

◆ MUHAMMAD (S)

Life of the Prophet :

His Personality, Major Events, His Family, His Companions, His Community

Level One : Know that long ago a man received that Message from God we call the Qur'an, and the man's name was Muhammad (S). Know the story of the Revelation in the cave of Hira. Be aware of the Prophet's birth in the Year of the Elephant, and the story of 'Abd al-Muttalib and Abraha with his army. Be familiar with events of the Prophet's infancy and childhood, his meeting with Bahira, and his part in the rebuilding of Ka'aba.

Level Two : Be aware of the Hilf-al-Fudul, the Prophet's work as a merchant, and his reputation for honesty and trustworthiness. Know of his employment by Khadija, their marriage and their children, the story of his return after the Revelation at Hira, and the judgement of Waraqa. Know the stories of 'Ali and other early converts, their persecution and emigration. Know of the death of Abu Talib and Khadija, and the story of the Isra' and Mi'raj.

Level Three : Be familiar with the story of the Prophet's journey to Ta'if, and the pledges of 'Aqabah. Know the stories of the Hijra, the plot of the Qureish, the Prophet's escape, and his arrival in Yathrib. Be familiar with the brotherhood of the Ansar and the Muhajirun, the Prophet's mosque, and his family life. Be aware of his Battles. Know the stories of the Conquest of Makkah, the Final Pilgrimage, and the Death of the Prophet.

Level Four : Understand why the Qur'an is divided into Makkan and Madinan Surahs, and be able to explain how the situation of the muslims was transformed by the Hijrah. Be familiar with the stories and individual characters of the wives of the Prophet, and understand the importance of their examples. Identify some of the virtuous qualities of the Prophet, and describe stories that exemplify them. Be familiar with a variety of stories of his close Companions.

Level Five : Be aware of Makkan history from Ibrahim to Muhammad (S), the introduction of idol worship, the burial of Zam-Zam, and its rediscovery by 'Abd al-Muttalib. Be familiar with the geography of Arabia, and identify places of importance in the Seerah. Be able to describe the prevalent protocol of war, details of major Battles and the Prophet's treatment of his enemies. Be aware of Hudaybiah and other treaties. Be able to describe Madinan life.

◆ FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God :

Tauhid, Divine Attributes, Asma-ul-Husna, Ayaat Allah

Level One : Know that Allah is One, Creator and Sustainer of All. Be aware of the Wonder of Allah's creation in the day and night, sun moon and stars, heavens and earth, animals and plants, and themselves.

Level Two : Understand that Allah is Compassionate and Merciful. Know that Allah has many Names, and be familiar with some. Know that Allah is Seeing and Hearing, and neither male nor female. See Order in Allah's Signs.

Level Three : Be aware of Allah's Attributes. Understand the superiority of Allah's qualities as expressed in His Names to our own. Identify Allah's signs in the Variety of creation.

Level Four : Be able to identify Allah's Attributes. Understand the division of Allah's Names into Jamal and Jalal qualities. Be able to describe how some of Allah's Names can be recognised in His Signs.

Level Five : Understand the logic of Allah's Attributes. Be familiar with Qur'anic references to Allah's Attributes and Names. Be able to explain the meaning and importance of Surah 112 & Surah 2 verse 255.

◆ FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

Creation :

Mala'ik, Jinn, Nas

Level One : Know of the existence of Angels, and be aware that some have special names and purposes. Know the name and purpose of Jibril. Be aware of story of Creation of Adam and response of Angels and Iblis.

Level Two : Be familiar with the major Archangels. Know of the existence of the Jinn. Be aware of the existence of Iblis/Shaitan, and understand temptation. Understand that Adam and Eve were created from one soul.

Level Three : Be able to identify purposes of Archangels. Be aware of nature of Jinn and their capacity for choosing good and evil. Know that all mankind come from Adam and Eve. Be familiar with story of Cain and Able.

Level Four : Be able to describe the story of Creation of Adam and Eve and the Fall from the Garden. Understand Adam's knowledge of the names of things. Understand Adam's acceptance of responsibility of Khilafate.

Level Five : Be familiar with Qur'anic references linking Jinn and Mankind. Be able to explain the meanings of Surah 2 verses 29-39; Surah 7 verses 11-39; Surah 20 verses 115-131; & Surah 5 verses 27-32.

◆ FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

Divine Guidance :

Kutub, Nabuwat, Risalat, Imamate, Khilafat, Tanzil, Wahy, Ilham

Level One : Know that Allah tells certain special people His wishes for mankind. Know that the Message of Muhammad is called the Qur'an. Be aware of Allah's description of Creation as a Pen writing on a Tablet.

Level Two : Be familiar with the names and stories of the major Prophets since Adam. Be aware of the existence of other named and unnamed Messengers. Know that Muhammad (S) is the Final Prophet.

Level Three : Be able to identify the Revealed Books associated with major Prophets. Know that only the Qur'an is perfect and complete. Understand how Muhammad (S) is the Seal & Summation of the Prophets.

Level Four : Be able to explain mankind's need for Divine Guidance. Understand the difference between personal inspiration and Revealed Guidance. Describe how followers of the Messengers live and pass on the Message.

Level Five : Identify Prophets mentioned in Qur'an. Be familiar with the way that their stories are spread through various Surahs illuminating different aspects and areas of understanding to be drawn from them.

◆ FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

Death & Afterlife :

Death, Grave & Barzakh, Qiyamat, Jannat, Jahannum

Level One : Know that all life in this world comes to an end. Know that, after death in this world, life continues in another world. Be aware that what happens in the Afterlife depends on the way we choose to act in this life.

Level Two : Know that dead bodies are buried and return to dust. Be familiar with the names of the Day of Judgement, Jannat and Jahannum. Understand the Justice of reward for good deeds and punishment for bad.

Level Three : Know the meaning of Barzakh and understand how it relates to the body in the grave. Be familiar with the variety of pleasures in Jannat, and the variety of torments in Jahannum. Understand Allah's Mercy.

Level Four : Know of the agony of death, and the questioning and punishments of the grave. Be aware of preferred states for dying. Be able to describe the rewards of Jannat, and the punishments of Jahannum.

Level Five : Identify Qur'anic references to Death and the Afterlife. Be familiar with Variety of Qur'anic ayats concerning Jannat and Jahannum. Understand and be able to explain the meaning of Surah 55.

◆ FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God's Relationship with Man :

Qada' & Qadar, God as Source of All, Free Will, Closeness & Remoteness

Level One : Know that nothing happens except by Allah's Power. Know that Allah knows all things, even our innermost thoughts. Know that Allah created us free to choose between good and evil.

Level Two : Be aware of the need to learn the difference between right and wrong. Know that Qur'an is to help us understand Allah's will for mankind. Understand that serving God's Will is what is best for mankind.

Level Three : Know that our Creator is closer to us than the jugular vein. Be aware of mankind's emotional weakness and physical frailty. Understand how Shaitan tempts us from the straight path.

Level Four : Be able to explain how Free Will expresses itself as Conscience. Understand that Allah "says 'Be' and it is". Be aware that Allah's Order manifests in each intimate detail of the vastness of Creation.

Level Five : Understand Creator through Surah 40 verses 57-65, & Surah 36 verses 77-83. Be aware of Free Will from Surah 2 verse 256, & Surah 18 verse 29-31. Know Allah's closeness from Surah 50 verse 16.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Bearing Witness to God :

Shahada

Level One : Know the words of the Shahada, and their meaning. Be aware of association of muslim identity with the act of making this statement. Know that all muslims make Shahada. Know the name "Shahada".

Level Two : Know that "Shahada" comes from a word meaning "to witness", with the secondary meaning "to be a martyr". Be aware that many of the early muslims died rather than disavow the Shahada.

Level Three : Be aware that the Shahada has two witnessings, the first that there is no god except the One God, and the second that Muhammad is God's Messenger. Understand the difference between "ilaha" and "Allah".

Level Four : Know that the first witnessing divides into two parts, the negation, or "nafy", and the affirmation, or "ithbat". Be able to describe the duties accepted by those witnessing Muhammad's Messengership.

Level Five : Be able to explain the need for Shahada as the first act of accepting Islam. Be able to explain the importance of Shahada as the basis of all other muslim practices and duties.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Prayer & Supplication :

Ghusl, Wudhu, Tayammum, Salaat, Dzikr, Du'a

Level One : Know importance of toilet hygiene and use of water for cleaning. Be aware that cleanliness is required for Salaat. Know the actions of Salaat. Know that Allah is always present. Know that Allah hears our prayers.

Level Two : Know form of Wudhu. Know requirements for one Rakah, and number of Rakahs in each Salaat. Identify times of day for Fardh Salaat. Understand Qibla and Niyah. Be aware of importance of Salaat.

Level Three : Be aware of requirements for Ghusl. Know form and use of Tayammum. Know importance of Jumma Salaat. Be familiar with Sunnah prayers. Be aware of use of simple Dzikr. Know some important Du'as.

Level Four : Understand relaxation of prayer obligation during sickness, menses, and travel. Be familiar with requirements of Eid prayers. Know Adzan and Iqamat. Be familiar with a range of common Du'as.

Level Five : Identify physical and psychological benefits of Salaat. Be familiar with requirements of Tarwih, and Funeral prayers. Be familiar with a range of Ahadith relating to Salaat. Understand the meaning of Dzikr.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Charity & Islamic Tax System :

Sadaqah, Zakat, Khums

Level One : Know that all riches come from and belong to Allah, and are given to mankind on loan. Know that giving what you have to those in need is Sadaqah. Be aware that a good deed or a smile can be Sadaqah.

Level Two : Be familiar with some examples of the importance of Sadaqah to the Prophet's community in Madinah. Be aware that each year muslims pay Zakat, a tax on their wealth for charity.

Level Three : Identify the essential elements of Sadaqah, and the legitimate ends for Zakat Mal. Be aware that one fifth of all spoils of war, the Khums, were also taken by the Prophet for the community.

Level Four : Be familiar with the Zakat Fitra and its purpose. Know that the Khums still has importance within the Shi'a community. Understand and be able to explain how Sadaqah benefits the community.

Level Five : Identify Quranic references linking Salaat and Zakat. Understand and be able to explain Surah 2 verses 261-274, & Surah 8 verse 41. Be familiar with a variety of Ahadith relating to Sadaqah.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Fasting & Self Restraint :

Ramadhan, Other Fasting

Level One : Be aware that the months of the Islamic year have different names. Know that during the month of Ramadhan muslims go without food and drink during the daytime. Know that Ramadhan ends with Eid-ul-Fitr.

Level Two : Be aware of how the months are linked to the moon's phases. Be familiar with the story of Lailat-ul-Qadr. Know how fasting begins with first light and ends with sunset. Be aware of Tarwih & I'tikaf.

Level Three : Be able to describe the requirements of fasting and what breaks the fast. Identify those exempted from fasting. Know the recommendations of fasting, including refraining from bad deeds and vain speech.

Level Four : Know that the Prophet fasted often. Be familiar with the Prophet's opinions concerning restraint from overeating. Be able to explain some of the benefits of fasting to the individual and the community.

Level Five : Be aware of a variety of Ahadith concerning Fasting. Be familiar with the fast of David. Understand and be able to explain Surah 2 verses 183-188. Understand and be able to explain Surah 97.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Pilgrimage & Muslim Unity :

Umrah, Hajj, the Ummah

Level One : Know that muslims live all around the world, with different colours, languages and cultures. Know that every year muslims gather together for Hajj. Know that we celebrate their journey on Eid-ul-Adha.

Level Two : Be familiar with the story of Ibrahim, Hagar & Ismail. Know who built Ka'aba, and its purpose. Know the story behind the Sa'y & Zam-Zam. Know the story behind the Stoning of the Jamarat, & the Sacrifice.

Level Three : Be aware of the distinction between 'Umrah and Hajj. Be familiar with Ihram, Hajar-al-Aswad, Tawaf, and the Maqam Ibrahim. Be familiar with the route of Hajj. Know the importance of standing at 'Arafat.

Level Four : Identify the essential requirements of Hajj & 'Umrah, & their prohibitions. Know the Talbiyah and its meaning. Understand the significance of shaving the head. Be able to explain the significance of 'Arafat.

Level Five : Identify aspects of the muslim way of life shared by all muslims in the Ummah. Be able to describe how the Hajj reflects Unity and Brotherhood. Understand and be able to explain Surah 22 verses 26-38.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Striving in the Way of God :

Greater & Lesser Jihad

Level One : Be aware that the self-control needed to do what is good can sometimes be difficult. Know that muslims have to do their duty even when it is hard for them. Know that such striving is called Jihad.

Level Two : Know that in the time of Muhammad (S) his enemies tried to destroy the muslim community by force. Be aware that the muslims had to fight to survive. Know that such fighting is also called Jihad.

Level Three : Be familiar with the bravery of early muslims, both male and female. Understand why they were willing to die for Allah and the Prophet. Know the difference between the Lesser and Greater Jihad.

Level Four : Be familiar with situations permitting declaration of war. Be familiar with regulations governing conduct of muslims at war. Understand why struggle against the Nafs is a Greater Jihad than warfare.

Level Five : Be able to describe how the Prophet waged war differently from his enemies. Be familiar with Ahadith referring to Jihad. Understand and explain Surah 2 verses 190-193, & Surah 22 verses 77-78.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Enjoining Good & Forbidding Evil :

Duties within Society

Level One : Know it is not enough for muslims not to do bad things, but they must also try to stop bad things from happening in society. Know that as well as doing good they must try to make their society better.

Level Two : Be aware of situations where working with others can achieve what is impossible working alone. Be aware of the way that one selfish individual can destroy the efforts of many good people.

Level Three : Identify ways in which muslims can work for good within their society. Understand that Islamic principles can be shared by non-muslims. Understand that not all muslims are good muslims.

Level Four : Be familiar with the Hadith that objectionable things should be changed by the hand, or else by the tongue, or else within the heart. Be able to describe and explain examples of these situations.

Level Five : Be familiar with a variety of Ahadith in which the Prophet exhorted muslims to enjoin good and forbid evil. Understand and explain Surah 3 verses 102-104, & Surah 4 verse 85.

◆ PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Love & Respect for the Prophet :

Individual Understandings & Cultural Manifestations

Level One : Be aware of the Prophet's love for children, how they played around him while he was at prayer. Know how we show respect for Muhammad (S) by wishing peace and blessings on his name.

Level Two : Know that Muhammad (S) never hit a woman or a child. Be familiar with the gentleness of his nature, and that he was the most laughing and smiling of men. Know how he answered greetings.

Level Three : Be aware of the Prophet's reputation for truthfulness, honesty, wisdom & justice. Understand why the people of Yathrib invited him to their city. Know how he treated his enemies.

Level Four : Be aware of the many & various ways that muslim people around the world express their respect and affection for the Prophet, through different cultural forms of celebration & remembrance.

Level Five : Identify Qur'anic references linking obedience to Allah with obedience to the Prophet. Understand and explain Surah 2 verse 104, Surah 3 verse 159, Surah 33 verse 21, & Surah 21 verse 107.

◆ GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Praiseworthy Qualities :

Desirable Virtues

Level One : Know that moral decisions are based on our understanding of life and the way we feel about ourselves and others. Be aware of the need for Tolerance, Patience & Perseverance, and Respect for family and elders.

Level Two : Know that individual peace and happiness is based on Gratitude to Allah (Hamd) and Trusting in Allah (Tawakkul). Understand our need for Compassion and Loving concern for others in society.

Level Three : Know that "the characteristic of Islam is Modesty". Understand the rewards of Industriousness. Be able to explain the value within a community of Trustworthiness in an individual.

Level Four : Be aware of the value of Humility. Identify the attraction of Gentleness of Nature. Understand the need for Independence. Be able to explain the selflessness of Courage in a variety of situations.

Level Five : Know that Peace is impossible without Contentment. Be aware of the need for Steadfastness. Know that "the best provision is Piety". Understand the meaning and importance of Godfearing (Taqwa).

◆ GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Blameworthy Qualities :

Detestable Vices

Level One : Be aware that we have feelings and emotions that can make us hurt ourselves and others. Know that we must learn to keep these under control. Be aware of the negative effects of Anger.

Level Two : Understand how evil actions are prompted by negative emotions and ignorance of the true meaning and purpose of life. Be aware of the pointlessness of Jealousy and the arrogance of Ingratitude.

Level Three : Be familiar with the way that a blameworthy quality can be expressed in different ways. Be able to describe the effects of Greed in a variety of situations, and explain its probable effect on those involved.

Level Four : Understand that blameworthy qualities are seated in the minds and emotions of people. Understand the difference between Conceit and Pride, and describe various actions that might spring from them.

Level Five : Know that the most serious blameworthy quality is Unbelief. Understand how Unbelief challenges any system of Moral Values. Be able to explain how other blameworthy qualities can spring from Unbelief.

◆ GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Right Action :

Correct forms of Behaviour

Level One : Be aware of the difference between cleanliness and the various kinds of dirt. Know that muslims must be clean. Be aware of the importance of Generosity. Know that Obedience is sometimes required of us.

Level Two : Know that a muslim must be Truthful. Identify various ways in which we can show Loving Kindness to people and to other living creatures. Understand the importance of Searching for Knowledge.

Level Three : Know that a muslim should be Punctual. Understand the need to show Forgiveness to those who seek it, and encourage the Reconciliation of enemies. Be able to explain the need for Co-operation with others.

Level Four : Be able to explain the importance of Keeping Promises. Identify a variety of ways of showing Good Manners, and understand their purpose. Be aware of the need for Good Humour and identify its boundaries.

Level Five : Be able to explain the need for Justice, and understand the possibilities of Mercy. Identify ways of Caring for, and Comforting, the sick, the weak and the needy. Understand the importance of Chastity.

◆ GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Sinful Action :

Shirk in its many forms, The Major & Minor Sins

Level One : Be aware that bad behaviour can be through actions committed or actions omitted. Know that Lying is a bad action, as opposed to Telling Truth. Know that Disobedience is a bad inaction, as opposed to Obedience.

Level Two : Be aware that Sinful Actions can be similar in kind, but different in severity or context of the acts. Be familiar with the prohibition against Stealing. Be able to explain how Cheating is of a similar nature.

Level Three : Be aware of how others can be hurt in ways other than physical. Be familiar with the prohibition against Backbiting. Be able to describe the consequences of Mockery. Identify forms of Showing Off and Hypocrisy.

Level Four : Be able to describe the effects of Alcohol, and be familiar with the circumstances of its prohibition. Identify different forms of Gambling, and know which are forbidden. Understand the nature of Extravagance.

Level Five : Be able to explain the force of Qur'anic injunctions against Sexual Misconduct. Know the Islamic response to Betrayal and Murder. Understand the Islamic view of Suicide. Identify some possible forms of Shirk.

◆ GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Way of Life :

Deen, Family System, Social System, Economic System, 'Ibadat, 'Ilm, The Middle Way,

Level One : Be aware that Islam is not just a specific set of practises, but a complete way of life, including personal and social behaviour. Know that this way of life is called the "Deen".

Level Two : Be familiar with the requirements of Deen with respect to Parents and Family. Understand the need for muslim Brotherhood and Sisterhood. Know the Deen of relationships with Neighbours, including non-muslims.

Level Three : Know that 'Ibadat applies to all areas of life, including our approach to work and play. Be familiar with the importance attached to Knowledge within the Deen. Understand the requirements of muslim dress.

Level Four : Be aware that Islam has a distinctive view of Economics. Be familiar with the way that Islam can be expressed through Political Structures. Be able to describe the main characteristics of the Islamic Social System.

Level Five : Be familiar with the Deen of Marriage Partners in the muslim family. Be able to describe Islam as an Integrated System of Rights and Duties. Be able to explain the description of Islam as "The Middle Way".

◆ GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Legal System :

Shari'ah, Fard, Wajib, Mustahabb, Mubah, Makruh, Haram, Qiyas, Ijma, Ijtihad, Madzahib

Level One : Know that rules that govern the Islamic way of life are known as the Shari'ah. Be aware that the Shari'ah defines what we must do, what we must not do, what is permitted, and what is disapproved of.

Level Two : Know that the Qur'an and the Sunnah are the Foundations of the Laws of Shari'ah. Know and understand the terms Fard, Wajib, Halal and Haram. Understand that differences in Shari'ah are minimal.

Level Three : Be familiar with the terms Mustahabb/Mandub, Mubah, and Makruh, and understand their meaning. Identify various Schools of Law, and be aware of their friendly relationships throughout muslim history.

Level Four : Understand the principle of Abrogation, and be able to explain how it applies to the Qur'an and Ahadith. Be familiar with the terms Qiyas, Ijma, Taqlid, Ijtihad, and Ikhtilaf, and understand their meaning.

Level Five : Be able to describe how the Laws of Shari'ah have operated as a unifying factor for the Ummah throughout history. Be able to explain the Ethics of Disagreement that operate between different Schools of Law.

◆ HERITAGE

History & Geography of Muslim Peoples :

Muslim civilisation from Adam to the present day

Level One : Know that Adam and Eve were muslim, and that Islam is the Fitrah for mankind. Be aware of different terrains and climates, styles of dress, architecture and decoration in the muslim world.

Level Two : Know that muslims around the world speak many different languages, but all recite the Qur'an in Arabic. Know that muslims have made great contributions in many fields of knowledge.

Level Three : Identify aspects of local language and culture with Islamic roots. Be familiar with the areas of the world that are predominantly muslim. Be familiar with countries having muslim minorities.

Level Four : Be familiar with some historic seats of muslim learning, and the work of muslim scholars. Be aware of Islam's rapid expansion and political divisions after the death of Muhammad (S).

Level Five : Be familiar with the main empires and dynasties in the history of the Ummah. Identify the aspects of their cultures that bound them together in strength and stability. Be aware of recent muslim history.

◆ HERITAGE

Mother Tongue & Culture :

Family communications, Parental roots

Curriculum to be devised according to individual community needs.

◆ HERITAGE

Islamic Context to School Curriculum

Islamic critique of secularized subjects, Islamic contribution to knowledge

Modules to be devised for integration with content of national curriculum guidelines.

LEVEL ONE

MUHAMMAD (S)

Sayings of the Prophet : Be aware of the difference between Qur'an and Ahadith. Know and be able to repeat at least one Hadith. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to Allah's Mercy, love and respect for parents, and Sadaqah.

Life of the Prophet : Know that long ago a man received that Message from God we call the Qur'an, and the man's name was Muhammad (S). Know the story of the Revelation in the cave of Hira. Be aware of the Prophet's birth in the Year of the Elephant, and the story of 'Abd al-Muttalib and Abraha with his army. Be familiar with events of the Prophet's infancy and childhood, his meeting with Bahira, and his part in the rebuilding of Ka'aba.

FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God : Know that Allah is One, Creator and Sustainer of All. Be aware of the Wonder of Allah's creation in the day and night, sun moon and stars, heavens and earth, animals and plants, and themselves.

Creation : Know of the existence of Angels, and be aware that some have special names and purposes. Know the name and purpose of Jibril. Be aware of story of Creation of Adam and response of Angels and Iblis.

Divine Guidance : Know that Allah tells certain special people His wishes for mankind. Know that the Message of Muhammad is called the Qur'an. Be aware of Allah's description of Creation as a Pen writing on a Tablet.

Death & Afterlife : Know that all life in this world comes to an end. Know that, after death in this world, life continues in another world. Be aware that what happens in the Afterlife depends on the way we choose to act in this life.

God's Relationship with Man : Know that nothing happens except by Allah's Power. Know that Allah knows all things, even our innermost thoughts. Know that Allah created us free to choose between good and evil.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Bearing Witness to God : Know the words of the Shahada, and their meaning. Be aware of association of muslim identity with the act of making this statement. Know that all muslims make Shahada. Know the name "Shahada".

Prayer & Supplication : Know importance of toilet hygiene and use of water for cleaning. Be aware that cleanliness is required for Salaat. Know the actions of Salaat. Know that Allah is always present. Know that Allah hears our prayers.

Charity & Islamic Tax System : Know that all riches come from and belong to Allah, and are given to mankind on loan. Know that giving what you have to those in need is Sadaqah. Be aware that a good deed or a smile can be Sadaqah.

Fasting & Self Restraint : Be aware that the months of the Islamic year have different names. Know that during the month of Ramadhan muslims go without food and drink during the daytime. Know that Ramadhan ends with Eid-ul-Fitr.

Pilgrimage & Muslim Unity : Know that muslims live all around the world, with different colours, languages and cultures. Know that every year muslims gather together for Hajj. Know that we celebrate their journey on Eid-ul-Adha.

Striving in the Way of God : Be aware that the self-control needed to do what is good can sometimes be difficult. Know that muslims have to do their duty even when it is hard for them. Know that such striving is called Jihad.

Enjoining Good & Forbidding Evil : Know it is not enough for muslims not to do bad things, but they must also try to stop bad things from happening in society. Know that as well as doing good they must try to make their society better.

Love & Respect for the Prophet : Be aware of the Prophet's love for children, how they played around him while he was at prayer. Know how we show respect for Muhammad (S) by wishing peace and blessings on his name.

GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Praiseworthy Qualities : Know that moral decisions are based on our understanding of life and the way we feel about ourselves and others. Be aware of the need for Tolerance, Patience & Perseverance, and Respect for family and elders.

Blameworthy Qualities : Be aware that we have feelings and emotions that can make us hurt ourselves and others. Know that we must learn to keep these under control. Be aware of the negative effects of Anger.

Right Action : Be aware of the difference between cleanliness and the various kinds of dirt. Know that muslims must be clean. Be aware of the importance of Generosity. Know that Obedience is sometimes required of us.

Sinful Action : Be aware that bad behaviour can be through actions committed or actions omitted. Know that Lying is a bad action, as opposed to Telling Truth. Know that Disobedience is a bad inaction, as opposed to Obedience.

Way of Life : Be aware that Islam is not just a specific set of practises, but a complete way of life, including personal and social behaviour. Know that this way of life is called the "Deen".

Legal System : Know that rules that govern the Islamic way of life are known as the Shari'ah. Be aware that the Shari'ah defines what we must do, what we must not do, what is permitted, and what is disapproved of.

HERITAGE

History & Geography of Muslim Peoples : Know that Adam and Eve were muslim, and that Islam is the Fitrah for mankind. Be aware of different terrains and climates, styles of dress, architecture and decoration in the muslim world.

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LEVEL TWO

MUHAMMAD (S)

Sayings of the Prophet : Know at least one Hadith Qudsi and several other Ahadith, and be aware of the difference between them. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to the Revelation of the Qur'an, Good Neighbourliness, and Knowledge.

Life of the Prophet : Be aware of the Hilf-al-Fudul, the Prophet's work as a merchant, and his reputation for honesty and trustworthiness. Know of his employment by Khadija, their marriage and their children, the story of his return after the Revelation at Hira, and the judgement of Waraqa. Know the stories of 'Ali and other early converts, their persecution and emigration. Know of the death of Abu Talib and Khadija, and the story of the Isra' and Mi'raj.

FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God : Understand that Allah is Compassionate and Merciful. Know that Allah has many Names, and be familiar with some. Know that Allah is Seeing and Hearing, and neither male nor female. See Order in Allah's Signs.

Creation : Be familiar with the major Archangels. Know of the existence of the Jinn. Be aware of the existence of Iblis/Shaitan, and understand temptation. Understand that Adam and Eve were created from one soul.

Divine Guidance : Be familiar with the names and stories of the major Prophets since Adam. Be aware of the existence of other named and unnamed Messengers. Know that Muhammad (S) is the Final Prophet.

Death & Afterlife : Know that dead bodies are buried and return to dust. Be familiar with the names of the Day of Judgement, Jannat and Jahannum. Understand the Justice of reward for good deeds and punishment for bad.

God's Relationship with Man : Be aware of the need to learn the difference between right and wrong. Know that Qur'an is to help us understand Allah's will for mankind. Understand that God's Will is what is best for mankind.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Bearing Witness to God : Know that "Shahada" comes from a word meaning "to witness", with the secondary meaning "to be a martyr". Be aware that many of the early muslims died rather than disavow the Shahada.

Prayer & Supplication : Know form of Wudhu. Know requirements for one Rakah, and number of Rakahs in each Salaat. Identify times of day for Fardh Salaat. Understand Qibla and Niyyah. Be aware of importance of Salaat.

Charity & Islamic Tax System : Be familiar with some examples of the importance of Sadaqah to the Prophet's community in Madinah. Be aware that each year muslims pay Zakat, a tax on their wealth for charity.

Fasting & Self Restraint : Be aware of how the months are linked to the moon's phases. Be familiar with the story of Lailat-ul-Qadr. Know how fasting begins with first light and ends with sunset. Be aware of Tarwih & I'tikaf.

Pilgrimage & Muslim Unity : Be familiar with the story of Ibrahim, Hagar & Ismail. Know who built Ka'aba, and its purpose. Know the story behind the Sa'y & Zam-Zam. Know the story behind the Stoning of the Jamarat, & the Sacrifice.

Striving in the Way of God : Know that in the time of Muhammad (S) his enemies tried to destroy the muslim community by force. Be aware that the muslims had to fight to survive. Know that such fighting is also called Jihad.

Enjoining Good & Forbidding Evil : Be aware of situations where working with others can achieve what is impossible working alone. Be aware of the way that one selfish individual can destroy the efforts of many good people.

Love & Respect for the Prophet : Know that Muhammad (S) never hit a woman or a child. Be familiar with the gentleness of his nature, and that he was the most laughing and smiling of men. Know how he answered greetings.

GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Praiseworthy Qualities : Know that individual peace and happiness is based on Gratitude to Allah (Hamd) and Trusting in Allah (Tawakkul). Understand our need for Compassion and Loving concern for others in society.

Blameworthy Qualities : Understand how evil actions are prompted by negative emotions and ignorance of the true meaning and purpose of life. Be aware of the pointlessness of Jealousy and the arrogance of Ingratitude.

Right Action : Know that a muslim must be Truthful. Identify various ways in which we can show Loving Kindness to people and to other living creatures. Understand the importance of Searching for Knowledge.

Sinful Action : Be aware that Sinful Actions can be similar in kind, but different in severity or context of the acts. Be familiar with the prohibition against Stealing. Be able to explain how Cheating is of a similar nature.

Way of Life : Be familiar with the requirements of Deen with respect to Parents and Family. Understand the need for muslim Brotherhood and Sisterhood. Know the Deen of relationships with Neighbours, including non-muslims.

Legal System : Know that the Qur'an and the Sunnah are the Foundations of the Laws of Shari'ah. Know and understand the terms Fard, Wajib, Halal and Haram. Understand that differences in Shari'ah are minimal.

HERITAGE

History & Geography of Muslim Peoples : Know that muslims around the world speak many different languages, but all recite the Qur'an in Arabic. Know that muslims have made great contributions in many fields of knowledge.

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Islamic Context to School Curriculum : Modules to be devised for integration with content of national curriculum guidelines.

LEVEL THREE

MUHAMMAD (S)

Sayings of the Prophet : Be aware of the way that the Ahadith give detail to the general guidance of the Qur'an, and generalise specific Qur'anic instructions. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to Prayer and Fasting, and Jihad.

Life of the Prophet : Be familiar with the story of the Prophet's journey to Ta'if, and the pledges of 'Aqabah. Know the stories of the Hijra, the plot of the Qureish, the Prophet's escape, and his arrival in Yathrib. Be familiar with the brotherhood of the Ansar and the Muhajirun, the Prophet's mosque, and his family life. Be aware of his Battles. Know the stories of the Conquest of Makkah, the Final Pilgrimage, and the Death of the Prophet.

FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God : Be aware of Allah's Attributes. Understand the superiority of Allah's qualities as expressed in His Names to our own. Identify Allah's signs in the Variety of creation.

Creation : Be able to identify purposes of Archangels. Be aware of nature of Jinn and their capacity for choosing good and evil. Know that all mankind come from Adam and Eve. Be familiar with story of Cain and Able.

Divine Guidance : Be able to identify the Revealed Books associated with major Prophets. Know that only the Qur'an is perfect and complete. Understand how Muhammad (S) is the Seal & Summation of the Prophets.

Death & Afterlife : Know the meaning of Barzakh and understand how it relates to the body in the grave. Be familiar with the variety of pleasures in Jannat, and the variety of torments in Jahannum. Understand Allah's Mercy.

God's Relationship with Man : Know that our Creator is closer to us than the jugular vein. Be aware of mankind's emotional weakness and physical frailty. Understand how Shaitan tempts us from the straight path.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Bearing Witness to God : Be aware that the Shahada has two witnessings, the first that there is no god except the One God, and the second that Muhammad is God's Messenger. Understand the difference between "ilaha" and "Allah".

Prayer & Supplication : Be aware of requirements for Ghusl. Know form and use of Tayammum. Know importance of Jummah Salaat. Be familiar with Sunnah prayers. Be aware of use of simple Dzikir. Know some important Du'as.

Charity & Islamic Tax System : Identify the essential elements of Sadaqah, and the legitimate ends for Zakat Mal. Be aware that one fifth of all spoils of war, the Khums, were also taken by the Prophet for the community.

Fasting & Self Restraint : Be able to describe the requirements of fasting and what breaks the fast. Identify those exempted from fasting. Know the recommendations of fasting, including refraining from bad deeds and vain speech.

Pilgrimage & Muslim Unity : Be aware of the distinction between 'Umrah and Hajj. Be familiar with Ihram, Hajar-al-Aswad, Tawaf, and the Maqam Ibrahim. Be familiar with the route of Hajj. Know the importance of standing at 'Arafat.

Striving in the Way of God : Be familiar with the bravery of early muslims, both male and female. Understand why they were willing to die for Allah and the Prophet. Know the difference between the Lesser and Greater Jihad.

Enjoining Good & Forbidding Evil : Identify ways in which muslims can work for good within their society. Understand that Islamic principles can be shared by non-muslims. Understand that not all muslims are good muslims.

Love & Respect for the Prophet : Be aware of the Prophet's reputation for truthfulness, honesty, wisdom & justice. Understand why the people of Yathrib invited him to their city. Know how he treated his enemies.

GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Praiseworthy Qualities : Know that "the characteristic of Islam is Modesty". Understand the rewards of Industriousness. Be able to explain the value within a community of Trustworthiness in an individual.

Blameworthy Qualities : Be familiar with the way that a blameworthy quality can be expressed in different ways. Be able to describe the effects of Greed in a variety of situations, and explain its probable effect on those involved.

Right Action : Know that a muslim should be Punctual. Understand the need to show Forgiveness to those who seek it, and encourage the Reconciliation of enemies. Be able to explain the need for Co-operation with others.

Sinful Action : Be aware of how others can be hurt in ways other than physical. Be familiar with the prohibition against Backbiting. Be able to describe the consequences of Mockery. Identify forms of Showing Off and Hypocrisy.

Way of Life : Know that 'Ibadat applies to all areas of life, including our approach to work and play. Be familiar with the importance attached to Knowledge within the Deen. Understand the requirements of muslim dress.

Legal System : Be familiar with the terms Mustahabb/Mandub, Mubah, and Makruh, and understand their meaning. Identify various Schools of Law, and be aware of their friendly relationships throughout muslim history.

HERITAGE

History & Geography of Muslim Peoples : Identify aspects of local language and culture with Islamic roots. Be familiar with the areas of the world that are predominantly muslim. Be familiar with countries having muslim minorities.

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LEVEL FOUR

MUHAMMAD (S)

Sayings of the Prophet : Be aware of the importance given within the muslim community to the collection of Ahadith. Be familiar with the Great Collections. Be familiar with Ahadith relating to the Hajj, and the Prophet's Farewell Speech.

Life of the Prophet : Understand why the Qur'an is divided into Makkan and Madinan Surahs, and be able to explain how the situation of the muslims was transformed by the Hijrah. Be familiar with the stories and individual characters of the wives of the Prophet, and understand the importance of their examples. Identify some of the virtuous qualities of the Prophet, and describe stories that exemplify them. Be familiar with a variety of stories of his close Companions.

FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God : Be able to identify Allah's Attributes. Understand the division of Allah's Names into Jamal and Jalal qualities. Be able to describe how some of Allah's Names can be recognised in His Signs.

Creation : Be able to describe the story of Creation of Adam and Eve and the Fall from the Garden. Understand Adam's knowledge of the names of things. Understand Adam's acceptance of responsibility of Khilafate.

Divine Guidance : Be able to explain mankind's need for Divine Guidance. Understand the difference between personal inspiration and Revealed Guidance. Describe how followers of the Messengers live and pass on the Message.

Death & Afterlife : Know of the agony of death, and the questioning and punishments of the grave. Be aware of preferred states for dying. Be able to describe the rewards of Jannat, and the punishments of Jahannum.

God's Relationship with Man : Be able to explain how Free Will expresses itself as Conscience. Understand that Allah "says 'Be' and it is". Be aware that Allah's Order manifests in each intimate detail of the vastness of Creation.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Bearing Witness to God : Know that the first witnessing divides into two parts, the negation, or "nafy", and the affirmation, or "ithbat". Be able to describe the duties accepted by those witnessing Muhammad's Messengership.

Prayer & Supplication : Understand relaxation of prayer obligation during sickness, menses, and travel. Be familiar with requirements of Eid prayers. Know Adzan and Iqamat. Be familiar with a range of common Du'as.

Charity & Islamic Tax System : Be familiar with the Zakat Fitra and its purpose. Know that the Khums still has importance within the Shi'a community. Understand and be able to explain how Sadaqah benefits the community.

Fasting & Self Restraint : Know that the Prophet fasted often. Be familiar with the Prophet's opinions concerning restraint from overeating. Be able to explain some of the benefits of fasting to the individual and the community.

Pilgrimage & Muslim Unity : Identify the essential requirements of Hajj & 'Umrah, & their prohibitions. Know the Talbiyah and its meaning. Understand the significance of shaving the head. Be able to explain the significance of 'Arafat.

Striving in the Way of God : Be familiar with situations permitting declaration of war. Be familiar with regulations governing conduct of muslims at war. Understand why struggle against the Nafs is a Greater Jihad than warfare.

Enjoining Good & Forbidding Evil : Be familiar with the Hadith that objectionable things should be changed by the hand, or else by the tongue, or else within the heart. Be able to describe and explain examples of these situations.

Love & Respect for the Prophet : Be aware of the many & various ways that muslim people around the world express their respect and affection for the Prophet, through different cultural forms of celebration & remembrance.

GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Praiseworthy Qualities : Be aware of the value of Humility. Identify the attraction of Gentleness of Nature. Understand the need for Independence. Be able to explain the selflessness of Courage in a variety of situations.

Blameworthy Qualities : Understand that blameworthy qualities are seated in the minds and emotions of people. Understand the difference between Conceit and Pride, and describe various actions that might spring from them.

Right Action : Be able to explain the importance of Keeping Promises. Identify a variety of ways of showing Good Manners, and understand their purpose. Be aware of the need for Good Humour and identify its boundaries.

Sinful Action : Be able to describe the effects of Alcohol, and be familiar with the circumstances of its prohibition. Identify different forms of Gambling, and know which are forbidden. Understand the nature of Extravagance.

Way of Life : Be aware that Islam has a distinctive view of Economics. Be familiar with the way that Islam can be expressed through Political Structures. Be able to describe the main characteristics of the Islamic Social System.

Legal System : Understand the principle of Abrogation, and be able to explain how it applies to the Qur'an and Ahadith. Be familiar with the terms Qiyas, Ijma, Taqlid, Ijtihad, and Ikhtilaf, and understand their meaning.

HERITAGE

History & Geography of Muslim Peoples : Be familiar with some historic seats of muslim learning, and the work of muslim scholars. Be aware of Islam's rapid expansion and political divisions after the death of Muhammad (S).

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LEVEL FIVE

MUHAMMAD (S)

Sayings of the Prophet : Be aware of the verification of Ahadith through the use of the Isnad. Be familiar with the science of Hadith criticism, and be aware of some of its terminology. Be able to explain the use of Ahadith in Shari'ah.

Life of the Prophet : Be aware of Makkan history from Ibrahim to Muhammad (S), the introduction of idol worship, the burial of Zam-Zam, and its rediscovery by 'Abd al-Muttalib. Be familiar with the geography of Arabia, and identify places of importance in the Seerah. Be able to describe the prevalent protocol of war, details of major Battles and the Prophet's treatment of his enemies. Be aware of Hudybiah and other treaties. Be able to describe Madinan life.

FAITH & UNDERSTANDING

God : Understand the logic of Allah's Attributes. Be familiar with Qur'anic references to Allah's Attributes and Names. Be able to explain the meaning and importance of Surah 112 & Surah 2 verse 255.

Creation : Be familiar with Qur'anic references linking Jinn and Mankind. Be able to explain the meanings of Surah 2 verses 29-39, Surah 7 verses 11-39, Surah 20 verses 115-131, & Surah 5 verses 27-32.

Divine Guidance : Identify Prophets mentioned in Qur'an. Be familiar with the way that their stories are spread through various Surahs, illuminating different aspects and areas of understanding to be drawn from them.

Death & Afterlife : Identify Qur'anic references to Death and the Afterlife. Be familiar with Variety of Qur'anic ayats concerning Jannat and Jahannum. Understand and be able to explain the meaning of Surah 55.

God's Relationship with Man : Understand Creator through Surah 40 verses 57-65, & Surah 36 verses 77-83. Be aware of Free Will from Surah 2 verse 256, & Surah 18 verse 29-31. Know Allah's closeness from Surah 50 verse 16.

PRINCIPAL PRACTICES & DUTIES

Bearing Witness to God : Be able to explain the need for Shahada as the first act of accepting Islam. Be able to explain the importance of Shahada as the basis of all other muslim practices and duties.

Prayer & Supplication : Identify physical and psychological benefits of Salaat. Be familiar with requirements of Tarwih, and Funeral prayers. Be familiar with a range of Ahadith relating to Salaat. Understand the meaning of Dzikr.

Charity & Islamic Tax System : Identify Quranic references linking Salaat and Zakat. Understand and be able to explain Surah 2 verses 261-274, & Surah 8 verse 41. Be familiar with a variety of Ahadith relating to Sadaqah.

Fasting & Self Restraint : Be aware of a variety of Ahadith concerning Fasting. Be familiar with the fast of David. Understand and be able to explain Surah 2 verses 183-188. Understand and be able to explain Surah 97.

Pilgrimage & Muslim Unity : Identify aspects of the muslim way of life shared by all muslims in the Ummah. Be able to describe how the Hajj reflects Unity and Brotherhood. Understand and be able to explain Surah 22 verses 26-38.

Striving in the Way of God : Be able to describe how the Prophet waged war differently from his enemies. Be familiar with Ahadith referring to Jihad. Understand and explain Surah 2 verses 190-193, & Surah 22 verses 77-78.

Enjoining Good & Forbidding Evil : Be familiar with a variety of Ahadith in which the Prophet exhorted muslims to enjoin good and forbid evil. Understand and explain Surah 3 verses 102-104, & Surah 4 verse 85.

Love & Respect for the Prophet : Identify Qur'anic references linking obedience to Allah with obedience to the Prophet. Understand and explain Surah 2 verse 104, Surah 3 verse 159, Surah 33 verse 21, & Surah 21 verse 107.

GOOD BEHAVIOUR

Praiseworthy Qualities : Know that Peace is impossible without Contentment. Be aware of the need for Steadfastness. Know that "the best provision is Piety". Understand the meaning and importance of Godfearing (Taqwa).

Blameworthy Qualities : Know that the most serious blameworthy quality is Unbelief. Understand how Unbelief challenges any system of Moral Values. Be able to explain how other blameworthy qualities can spring from Unbelief.

Right Action : Be able to explain the need for Justice, and understand the possibilities of Mercy. Identify ways of Caring for, and Comforting, the sick, the weak and the needy. Understand the importance of Chastity.

Sinful Action : Be able to explain the force of Qur'anic injunctions against Sexual Misconduct. Know the Islamic response to Betrayal and Murder. Understand the Islamic view of Suicide. Identify some possible forms of Shirk.

Way of Life : Be familiar with the Deen of Marriage Partners in the muslim family. Be able to describe Islam as an Integrated System of Rights and Duties. Be able to explain the description of Islam as "The Middle Way".

Legal System : Be able to describe how the Laws of Shari'ah have operated as a unifying factor for the Ummah throughout history. Be able to explain the Ethics of Disagreement that operate between different Schools of Law.

HERITAGE

History & Geography of Muslim Peoples : Be familiar with the main empires and dynasties in the history of the Ummah. Identify aspects of their cultures that united them in strength and stability. Be aware of recent muslim history.

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