

# **Basic Islam and Prayers**

## **CURRICULUM**

- I. Definition of the word “Islam”
- II. Five pillars of Islam
- III. Five pillars of Faith (Iman)
- IV. Shahada
  - a. Its meaning, and what it means as a ‘new beginning’
  - b. what happens immediately after taking the Shahada, and how it will change our lives.
- V. Prayers (Salah)
  - a. The 5 daily prayers
  - b. How to make Wudu
  - c. How to perform the prayer
  - d. Dress during prayer
  - e. Place and direction of prayer
  - f. Surahs recited during prayer
- VI. Fasting (Saum)
  - a. What constitutes the fast
  - b. Month of Ramadan
  - c. When a person is excused from fasting
  - d. Taraweeh prayers
- VII. Zakat
  - a. Requirement of regular Zakat
  - b. Overview of how to calculate Zakat owed
- VIII. Hajj
  - a. The basic components of the Hajj
- IX. Virtues in Islam
  - a. Tolerance of all human beings, Muslim and non-Muslim
  - b. Kindness

- c. Forgiveness and mercy
  - d. Respect and courtesy
  - e. Cleanliness and personal hygiene
  - f. Modesty
  - g. Patience
- X. Islam in our daily lives
- a. Remembrance of Allah
  - b. Importance of Intention
  - c. Seeking knowledge
    - i. Reading Quran
    - ii. Reading books of Hadith and Sunnah
    - iii. Following the Prophet (PBUH) as a role model in our daily activities of eating, hygiene, work, business, communication, conflict resolution, relationships with family and friends
- XI. Prayers in the Mosque
- a. Etiquette
  - b. Dua of entering the mosque
- XII. Eid celebrations
- a. Eid-ul-Fitr
  - b. Eid-ul-Adha
- XIII. Daawa