

Pilgrimage in Islam - Hajj



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Today we will...

Learn...

- ❖ Understand what a Pilgrimage is.
- ❖ Learn about the Pilgrimage of Hajj in Islam.
- ❖ Understand how Hajj is performed and its importance to Muslims.
- ❖ Know the Festival that is celebrated at the end of Hajj.

Activities...

- ❖ Video
- ❖ Quiz
- ❖ Worksheets



What is a Pilgrimage?

- ❖ A Pilgrimage is a **sacred** journey undertaken for a **spiritual** purpose.
- ❖ A **Pilgrim** is a person who goes on a Pilgrimage.



Many of the world's religions attach spiritual significance to places of pilgrimage in different parts of the world.



Do you think Pilgrims differ from other travellers? If so, in what way?

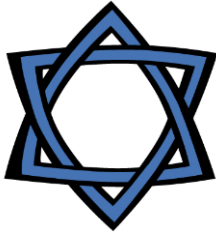
Pilgrimage in different religions

Hinduism



The most famous Hindu pilgrimage is the **Kumbh Mela** which takes place at the **River Ganges** in India.

Judaism

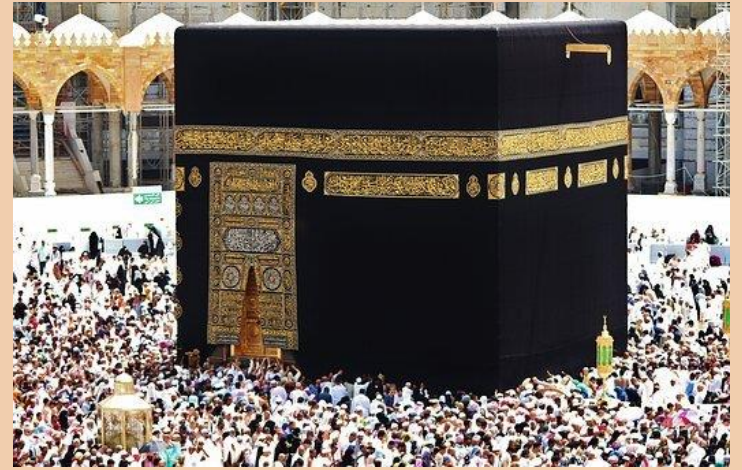


In Judaism, the key focus for pilgrimage is **Jerusalem**, the site of the ancient temple destroyed by Romans in 70CE of which the **Western Wall** remains.

Why do you think people go for pilgrimage?

Pilgrimage in Islam

- ❖ In Islam, the pilgrimage is known as **Hajj**.
- ❖ **Hajj** is one of the **5 pillars of Islam**.
- ❖ Muslims are required to go for Hajj to **Makkah (Mecca)**, a holy city in Saudi Arabia, at least once in their life:
 - ✓ if they are fit;
 - ✓ can afford it; and
 - ✓ it is safe to do so.



The Islamic Calendar



What type of people might not fit the conditions to go on Hajj?

Hajj takes place in the Islamic month of Dhul Hijjah - Can you spot which month of the Islamic Calendar Hajj is?

Video Time!

- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Niv15l6TWoo6NzCNFmFG4mwWheJfWGH/z/view?usp=sharing>



Let's hear Maryam tell us about Hajj. Click play to watch the video!

The Holy City of Makkah (Mecca)

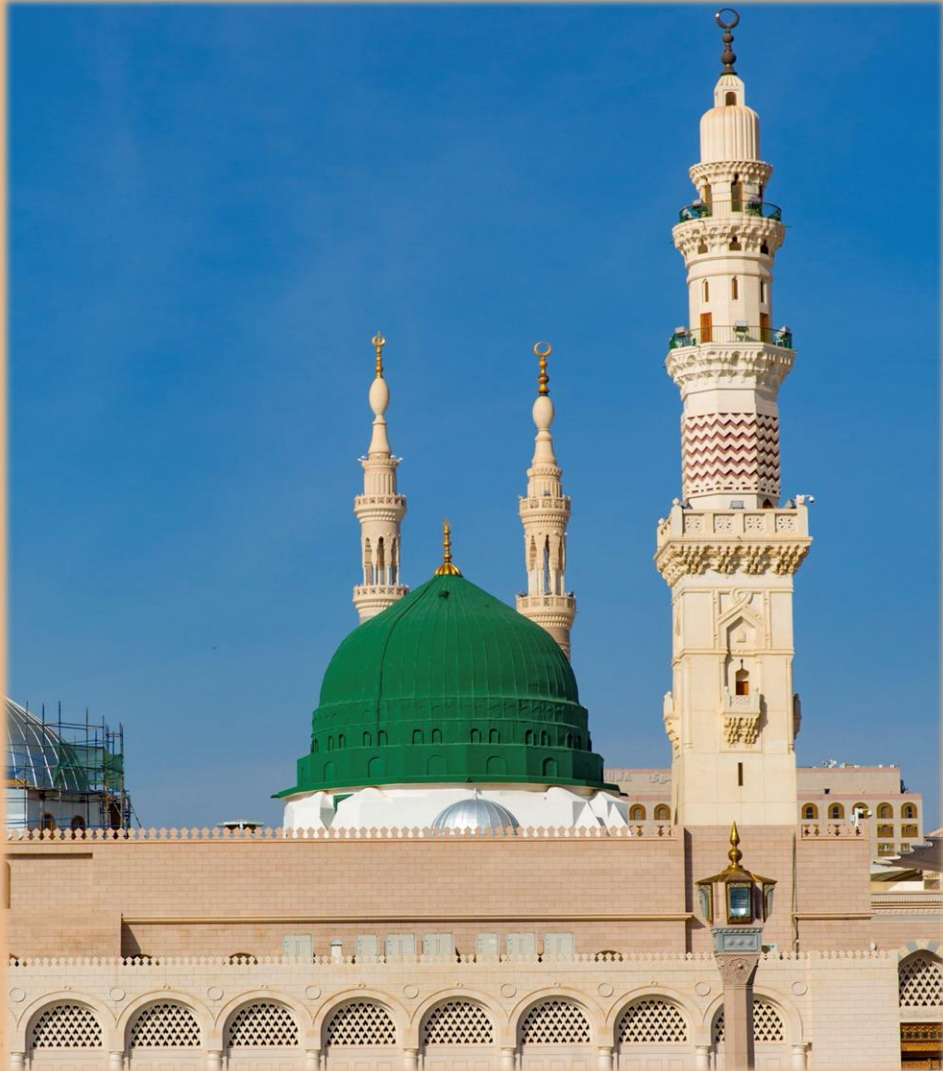
Muslims face the Holy Ka'aba in Makkah when they pray



- ❖ Makkah is the birthplace of the founder of Islam, the **Holy Prophet Muhammad** (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).
- ❖ The **Holy Ka'aba** stands in the middle of a large courtyard of **Masjid al Haram**, or **'The Sacred Mosque'**, in Makkah.



How is Hajj performed?



← Al Masjid an Nabawi in Medinah.

- ❖ The Hajj lasts for **12-13 days** with 11 different steps during which Pilgrims travel across different parts of Makkah.
- ❖ Men wear two white seamless sheets. Women wear traditional clothing and cover their head but not their face.
- ❖ Although not part of the prescribed Pilgrimage, many Pilgrims carry on to the city of **Medinah** in Saudi Arabia and visit '**Al Masjid an Nabawi**' known as the **Prophet's Mosque**.



Eid ul Adha



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At the end of Hajj, Muslims celebrate the festival of **Eid ul Adha** which is known as the festival of sacrifice. Play the Video above to hear how Aimen celebrates Eid day!

Hajj reminds Muslims about the story of **Prophet Abraham** (peace be upon him) and teaches them about sacrifice.

What is sacrifice?

Sacrifice in our daily lives can be when we give something up for the benefit of someone else, or to please someone else.

What sacrifices do you feel you make in your life?

What does sacrifice teach you?



Quiz Time!



Let's see how much we
remember
about Hajj!

Link to Quiz:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf_Sj6knndILFn6UU3nt-hCWimqM2jgqUdYd-QIfGmGZM8huQ/viewform

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