



The Nature of Allah

Tawhid	Tawhid means oneness and this belief teaches Muslims that Allah is unique and without any partners, including parents, siblings and children.
Immanent	Muslims believe Allah acts in the world. He stills exists and his presence can be known.
Omnipotent	Muslims believe Allah is all powerful and is able to do as he wishes. He has all authority of the universe.
Transcendent	Muslims believe that Allah is above and beyond his creations. Allah is beyond human understanding, Allah is complex.
Beneficence	Muslims believe that Allah loves all his creations, especially humans. His kindness knows no limits.
Mercy	Muslims believe that everything Allah does is an act of kindness, including punishment.

Forms of Worship

Salah	This is the highest form of worship in Islam. Salah is the daily act of prayer, 5 times a day. Salah is necessary for men and women. Children must develop the habit of prayer from an early age.
Sawm	Fasting is another form of showing faith. During Ramadam fasting is necessary for health of women and men. They believe this will bring them closer to God.

Key Terms

Islam	The religion of Muslims, a monotheistic faith regarded as revealed through Muhammad as the Prophet of Allah
Muslim	A person who follows Islam
Abrahamic Religion	An Abrahamic religion is a religion whose followers believe in prophet Abraham . The best known Abrahamic religions are Judaism, Christianity and Islam
Sunni	A division of Islam, which is the majority of the Muslim Community
Shi'a	This is the second largest division of Islam
Oneness	Muslims believe that God is One God
Omnipotent	Muslims believe God is All Powerful
Immanence	Muslims believe God knows what will happen before it happens
Transcendent	Muslims believe God is outside of this world
Qur'an	The holy book of Islam
Salah	Is the prayers in Islam
Mosque	The holy place of worship for Muslims
Hajj	A place of pilgrimage for Muslims
Allah	The name used for God in Islam
The Five Pillars	The 5 key practices of Muslims

The Five Pillars

Shahadad
The declaration of faith
Salah
Praying five times a day
Sawm
Fasting during the months of Ramadam
Zakah
Giving 2.5% of one's wealth to poor every lunar year
Hajj
A pilgrimage to Makkah, in Saudi Arabia

Key People

Adam	Adam is believed to be the first prophet. The story of Adam teaches Muslims to follow the commandments of Allah and avoid temptation from Satan.
Ibrahim (Abraham)	Ibrahim is considered as one of the greatest prophets. He is called Allah's 'friend'. Ibrahim shows Muslims how they can learn from life experiences and faith.
Muhammed	Muhammad is the principle prophet sent by Allah. Muslims believe he is the only prophet to be given a universal message from God. The Qur'an describes him as a 'light'.