

Religious Education Knowledge Organiser – Islam

Key Enquiry Question: Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead better lives? (Part 1)

Learning Objective

- We are learning that the concept of Jihad can be interpreted differently leading to different actions and consequences.



Key Vocabulary	Meaning
Akhirah	Muslim belief in life after death.
Muhammad	The final prophet
Qu'ran	The Holy book of Islam revealed to the Prophet Muhammad.
Five Pillars	The framework of the Muslim life. They are the testimony of faith, prayer, giving zakah (support of the needy), fasting during the month of Ramadan, and the pilgrimage to Makkah once in a lifetime for those who are able.
Jihad	Personal individual struggle against evil / making effort.
Ummah	World-wide community of Muslims the nation of Islam.

Sticky Knowledge

- Muslims believe in one God, who is referred to as Allah. They believe He created the world and has power over all things.
- The Islamic religion was founded by prophet Muhammad. He lived roughly 1400 years in the area surrounding Makkah. This remains a holy city for Muslims.
- The Islamic holy book is the Qu'ran. Muslims believe this is the direct word of God. This means Allah is its author, not Muhammad. Because of this, this book is incredibly precious to Muslims.
- Muslims can then have 6 main beliefs.
These are:
 - Belief in Allah as the one and only God.
 - Belief in angels.
 - Belief in the holy books.
 - Belief in the prophets (special messengers) and that Muhammad was the final prophet.
 - Belief in the Day of Judgement (the day when Allah decides if a person goes to Heaven or Hell).
 - Belief in predestination (the belief that Allah has already planned out what will happen).