

RE Christianity

Session 4

WALT think of some Muslim beliefs

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identify some Muslim beliefs

describe some of the ways Muslims describe Allah

discuss why there are many ideas about God

What do different people believe about their god?

- *What do Muslims believe about Allah?
(The Arabic word for God is Allah)*

Ninety Nine Beautiful Names: what do they tell us about God in Muslim life?

Muslims say, as part of the First Pillar of the Faith 'There is no God but Allah.'

We are going to explore some of the ways in which Islam expresses ideas about Allah / God including how Muslims use the 99 Beautiful Names of Allah.

These are often learned by Muslim children and recited using Subha beads (sometimes called Tasbeih), a string of 99 beads.



Muslim's show their devotion to Allah by reciting his name, these are some examples of the names they use.

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Choose 3 of the references above and complete the stem sentence 3 times

Muslims say Allah is ----- . I think this because -----

Examples

- *Muslims say Allah is the Generous. I think this means Allah gives good things to everyone and Allah is never mean or stingy.*
- *'Muslims say Allah is the Giver of Life. I think this means no one is born unless Allah gives them life and God is never surprised when a baby is born.'*

Muslims believe Allah is revealed in nature

Take a nature walk and collect 3 things
you believe are beautiful.



Where did it come from? Is it beautiful? What is it for?
Muslims say thank you to God for all of nature, and
they believe God's kindness can be seen in all of nature.

Allah is seen in nature: God the maker of all, the Lord of all the worlds.

Islam also teaches Muslims that we can find out about God / Allah by looking at the world we live in, which God has created.

- The Qur'an (Muslim's sacred book) says: *"Blessed is He who made constellations in the sky and placed there in a lamp, and a moon giving light."* 25:61 And also: *"It is He who made the sun to light up (the sky) and the moon that is lit."* 10:5. And also Allah says: *"We have built the heaven with the power of Our hands, and We are expanding it."* 51:47.

If a Muslim person watches a lovely sunrise, or stares into a starry night sky, then they may say to themselves 'Allah has given us a beautiful world for our home' and give thanks for the Earth.

Many religions thank their god for the beauty of Earth.

On your leaf write what you are thankful to Earth for creating.

