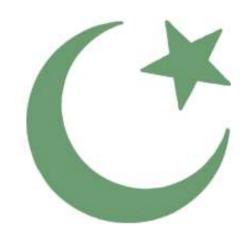


Key Vocabulary	
Islam	Islam is the second most popular religion in the world
Muslim	A follower of the religion of Islam
Allah	The Arabic name that Muslims use for God.
Five Pillars of Islam	The five things that Muslims are expected to do.
Prophets	Special messengers sent from Allah
Muhammad	The last prophet and the key prophet in Islam
Mecca	Mecca is an important place to Muslims. It is where
	Muhammad was born. Muslims face Mecca and pray and try to
	visit it sometime during their lives.
mosque	Muslim place of worship



Key Learning

What do Muslims believe about God? Why is Muhammad important to Muslims? Where do Muslims go to pray?

Key Beliefs

Muslims believe that there is only one God called Allah. They believe Allah is the only ruler of the universe. The word Islam means submission and obedience to Allah.

Muhammad is so highly respected by Muslims that they will say "peace be upon him" after his name is spoken

Places of worship

The Muslim place of worship is called a mosque. Services are held in mosques every day.

Mosques often have a domes roof. There are no images of people or animals in mosques. They are decorated with patterns and words from the Qu'ran.

Muslims take off their shoes before going into the mosque and wash before they pray. Muslims pray kneeling on the floor on a prayer mat.