

Al-Maktab

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Salaah

How to gain the Forgiveness of Allah ﷻ

Once Rasulullah ﷺ came out of his house. It was autumn and the leaves were falling off the trees. Rasulullah ﷺ caught hold of one of the branches and the leaves began falling in large numbers. At this Rasulullah ﷺ remarked to Hadhrat Abu Dhar ؓ who was standing there: "O! Abu Dhar, when a Muslim offers his salaah to please Allah ﷻ, his sins fall away from him just as these leaves are falling off this tree."

In autumn you will find that the leaves of the trees fall off in large numbers until there are no leaves left on them. Salaah has the same effect when we perform it with sincerity and devotion. Allah ﷻ forgives all the sins of the person who performs his **five** daily salaah.

What to do when in difficulty

Hadhrat Hudhaifah ؓ says that whenever Rasulullah ﷺ faced any difficulty, he would at once perform salaah.

Salaah is a great blessing from Allah ﷻ. When a person is in any difficulty and he seeks the help of Allah ﷻ by performing salaah, Allah's help and mercy comes to his rescue.

Once the mercy of Allah ﷻ descends, all ones worries and troubles come to an end. So when in trouble, difficulty and hardship seek the help of Allah ﷻ by performing extra salaah.

Stealing in salaah!!!

Once Rasulullah ﷺ said: "The worst thief is the one who steals in salaah." The companions of Rasulullah ﷺ asked: "How is it possible for one to steal in salaah?" Rasulullah ﷺ said: "When one does not perform the ruku and sajdah correctly (then he is stealing in his salaah)."

Stealing is a very disgraceful act. Everyone dislikes a thief. Imagine a person who is declared to be the worst thief by none other than Rasulullah ﷺ.

It is mentioned in a Hadith that Allah ﷻ does not pay attention to that salaah in which the ruku, sajdah and qiraat are not performed properly. In another Hadith it is mentioned that when a person performs salaah haphazardly, the Salaah curses him saying: "May you be destroyed as you destroyed me." Thereafter it ascends with a darkness around it until it reaches the skies. It is then wrapped up like a dirty rag and flung back onto the face of the one who read the salaah.

So dear children let us all make sure we perform our **five** daily salaah. We should also ensure that we perform our salaah correctly fulfilling all the sunnats of every posture. In this way we will gain the pleasure of Allah ﷻ, thus receiving the glad tidings of Jannah.

May Allah ﷻ always shower us with His pleasure and happiness. *Aameen.*

Maktab News



Quiz

Dear Children

Assalamu alaykum wa Rahmatullahi wa barakaatuhu.

We just started the year and here we are preparing for the half yearly examinations. How time flies! There's just no barakah left in time anymore. Before we know it, it will be the end of the year. Soon we all will be over with school and Madrasah and be adults out in the world.

Our theme for this month is "The importance of salaah." Rasulullah ﷺ has taught us that salaah is the most important thing in our lives. The first thing we will be questioned about on the day of Qiyaamah will be our salaah. If a person is successful in his salaah, then he will, Insha Allah, be successful in everything else. We should therefore never miss a single salaah. Don't forget to encourage everyone at home to also read their salaah daily.

Our last theme was "Muharram". What a wonderful response from all the students. Masha Allah! Keep up the good work. May Allah ﷻ accept all your efforts.

The first 5 correct entries drawn for the quiz were as follows:

Name	Maktab	Grade
1. Muhammad Saif Osman	Glenearn Road	3
2. Uzair	Berea West Primary	1
3. Sumayyah Vawda	Vryhied	5
4. Ishtiaq Sheriff	Baitul Ilm	4
5. Khadijah	Shallcross	5

Congratulations to you all. Masha Allah! You all have done well and your prizes are on the way.

The winners for the best projects for each grade are as follows:

Name	Maktab	Grade
1. Fayaaz Rahiman	Silverglen	1
2. Nasirra Ismail	Abu Bakr Siddique	2
3. Na'eem Ballim	Westville	3
4. Saaleha Dala	Newcastle	4
5. Radhia Mahomed	Eastview	5
6. Najiya Tikly	Vryhied	6
7. Mariam Hoosen	Vryhied	7
8. Shenaaz Noor Mahomed	Eastview	8

Masha Allah. Keep up the good work.

Answer all 10 question correctly and submit your entries. The first 5 correct entries drawn will receive R10-00 cash.

1. Who is the worst thief.?
2. When did Rasulullah ﷺ receive the gift of salaah?
3. What are the five favours that will be bestowed on a person who performs his five daily salaah?
4. What is the reward for a man who performs his salaah with jamaat?
5. Name three nafal salaah that are performed at different times during the day?
6. What is the name of the salaah that is performed when a person dies?
7. What is the name of the salaah that is performed when there is a solar eclipse?
8. How many rakaats are there in each of the five daily salaah?
9. What are the seven conditions that have to be fulfilled before performing salaah?
10. What are the forbidden times of Salaah?

**Salaah is
the key to
Jannah**

Theme

This month's theme is "Salaah". Do a project on one of the following:

1. The virtues of performing our five times daily salaah.
2. The importance of performing one's salaah correctly.
3. The importance of men performing their 5 times daily salaah with Jama'at.

All entries must be handed in by 01 August 2006.

N.B. Please write your name, the name of your Madrasah and your grade on the cover of your project. Jazak Allah.