



# Al-Maktab

Maktab Pupil's NewsLetter

# World Cup

Millions of people all over the world are eagerly awaiting the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar. Men, women and children are all awaiting this event eagerly. Unfortunately, many Muslims are also caught up in this hype of watching 22 people run after a ball with hundreds of thousands cheering them in stadiums and millions watching the matches at home.

Allah Ta'ala has created us for a purpose and that is to worship Him. Our lives are too valuable to waste on insignificant things like watching soccer matches.

On the day of Qiyaamah, we will be asked by Allah Ta'ala about the following five things;

1. How we spent our lives?
2. How we spent our youth?
3. How much did we practice on our knowledge?
4. How did we earn our wealth?
5. How did we spend our wealth?



How will we answer Allah Ta'ala on the day of Qiyaamah if we wasted our valuable time and money on something so useless like the World Cup?

## The Game of life

In the GAME of our life, we have only one GOAL, and that is to please Allah Ta'ala and Rasulallah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam). Our object in life is to SCORE by doing good deeds. Our REFEREE in all matters should be the Qur-aan & Sunnah. Any wrong we do will bring a PENALTY against us. So take up your DEFENSE against nafs and shaytaan.

Remember that the two LINESMEN (Kiraaman Kaatibeen) are busy recording the entire MATCH and are seeing whether we are in LINE or not. We have to ensure that we are not caught OFFSIDE (i.e. on the side of shaytaan). We have to be very good in GOALKEEPING, as TEAM shaytaan will try their best to STRIKE against us. In this GAME of life we will interact with our fellow PLAYERS, so let us not FOUL anyone (verbal or physical abuse), else we will be given a RED CARD (preventing us from the mercies of Allah Ta'ala). In real life there is no SUBSTITUTE, so before we end up with SUDDEN DEATH, let us be real players for ISLAM.

## The Harms of the world Cup

1. People earn the displeasure of Allah Ta'ala by wasting their time, effort and money.
2. Many, many Salaahs are missed because of these matches.
3. All matches are accompanied with loud music, photography and videoing, all of which is haraam.
4. Alcohol and wine is common amongst spectators.
5. Millions of Rands are wasted on sports and amusements.
6. Men and women all sit together with no segregation.
7. Valuable hours of our time are wasted watching these matches.

### The Advice of Rasulallah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam)

One day a Sahaabi asked Rasulallah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) for some advice. He wanted to know the recipe for success. Rasulallah (sallallahu alayhi wasllam) advised him with three things;

1. Look after your tongue
2. Stay in your home
3. Cry over your sins

By practicing on these valuable advices of Rasulallah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) we will most definitely be protected from the FITNAHS of the World Cup. Insha Allah.

## The clothing of soccer players

Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) is reported to have said: "Do not look at the thighs of a living or a dead man." Soccer players are dressed in shorts with their thighs exposed. By watching the game, we are forced to look at their satr (parts of the body that is compulsory to conceal). The satr for men is from the navel to the knee. In this way, we will be committing the sin of the eyes for the entire duration of the match.

## The 2022 Worst Cup

Football Fans, they eagerly await  
For soccer matches, O what will be their fate?  
Thousands in Africa, with no food on their plate  
Millions wasted on soccer, which the poor could have ate  
Billions of Rands squandered on a match  
The Muslims for whom they are out to catch  
Is there deep in our hearts any fear  
Don't you know that Qiyaamah is near  
The value of the players are rated below zero  
Can such a person ever be my hero?  
Drunken in the games of play  
Ready for shaytaan to sway them away  
O Allah! Save us all from such idle play  
For we have to stand before You one day  
Forgive us O Allah! for our indecency  
And bless us with your everlasting Mercy