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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Introduction to Islamic History

The Qur-aan Shareef discusses many incidents of past nations in great length. The reason for mentioning these incidents is so that we may take a lesson from them; to stay away from those things that brought ruin to them as well as implement and apply those aspects that made them successful. Many stories of the Ambiyaa (alayhimus salaam) are discussed in detail in the Qur-aan Shareef to strengthen our hearts.

History has always been one of the key tools for any nation reaching the peaks of success.

This subject, if taught correctly, can become the most enjoyable subject for any child. On the contrary, if it is just read out without properly explaining the events and the lessons behind each event, it can also become the most boring and difficult subject for a learner.

Stories of Ambiyaa (alayhimus salaam) are discussed in this book and each story has great lessons for us to learn.

Teachers should try their best to be real, alive and vivid when teaching this subject to make the lesson as enjoyable as possible for the learners.

May Allah Ta'ala accept our broken efforts for His Deen and crown them with success. Aameen.

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Aazar

idols

stone

help

problems

clever

upset

worship

speak

- Long, long ago, there lived **a man** whose name was **Aazar**.
- Aazar used to **make** and **sell idols**.
- **Idols** are statues people used to make out of stone.
- The People used to **worship** these **idols**.
- If they needed anything, they used to **ask the idols**.
- If they had any problems, they used to **ask the idols** for **help**.
- **Aazar** had **a son**. He was a **very clever boy**. His name was **Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam)**.
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) was **very upset** and could **not understand** why people **worship the idols**.
- He knew that they were made out of **stone** and that they could **not speak** or **hear**.
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) would say to his father, “O my father, why do you **make sajdah** (bow down) to these **idols**?” “O my father, why do you ask them when you need anything when they **cannot harm** or **help anyone**?”

MATCH COLUMN A WITH COLUMN B

Aazar

To Pray

Idols

The Idols Were
Made Out Of

Ibraaheem
(alayhis salaam)

Used To Make
And Sell Idols

Worship

Son of Aazar

Stone

Could not speak
or hear

smash

festival

temple

axe

broke

shocked

pointed

neck

silent

- One day the people were **very excited** and **happy** because it was the day of their **great festival** (like Eid day).
- They all **came out** to **celebrate** except Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam).
- He told his **father** that he was **feeling sick**.
- When all the people **were gone**, Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) took an axe, went to the temple and **smashed all the idols** into pieces **except one**.
- He left the **biggest idol** standing and hung the **axe** around its **neck**.
- After the festival was over, the people went to **visit** the **idols** at the temple.
- They were **shocked** to see their **idols broken**.
- They were **very angry** and said that it must be Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) who has **broken their idols**.
- They called Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) and **asked him**, "Who broke our idols?"
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) pointed to the **biggest idol** and said, "He has **done it**. He has the axe. Ask him."

- They said to Hadrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam), “You know the **idols cannot speak.**”
- He asked them, “ Then how can you **worship** the idols when they **cannot harm** or **help you!**”
- The people were **silent** and **could not answer.**

FILL IN THE BLANKS

1. One day the people were very _____ and _____.
2. It was the day of their great _____.
3. When the people were gone Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) went to the _____.
4. He took an _____ and smashed the _____ into pieces.
5. The people were _____ to see their idols broken.
6. They said, “It must have been _____”
7. Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) pointed to the _____.
8. The idols cannot _____.
9. The people were _____ and could not answer.

angry

plan

punish

burn

huge fire

trusted

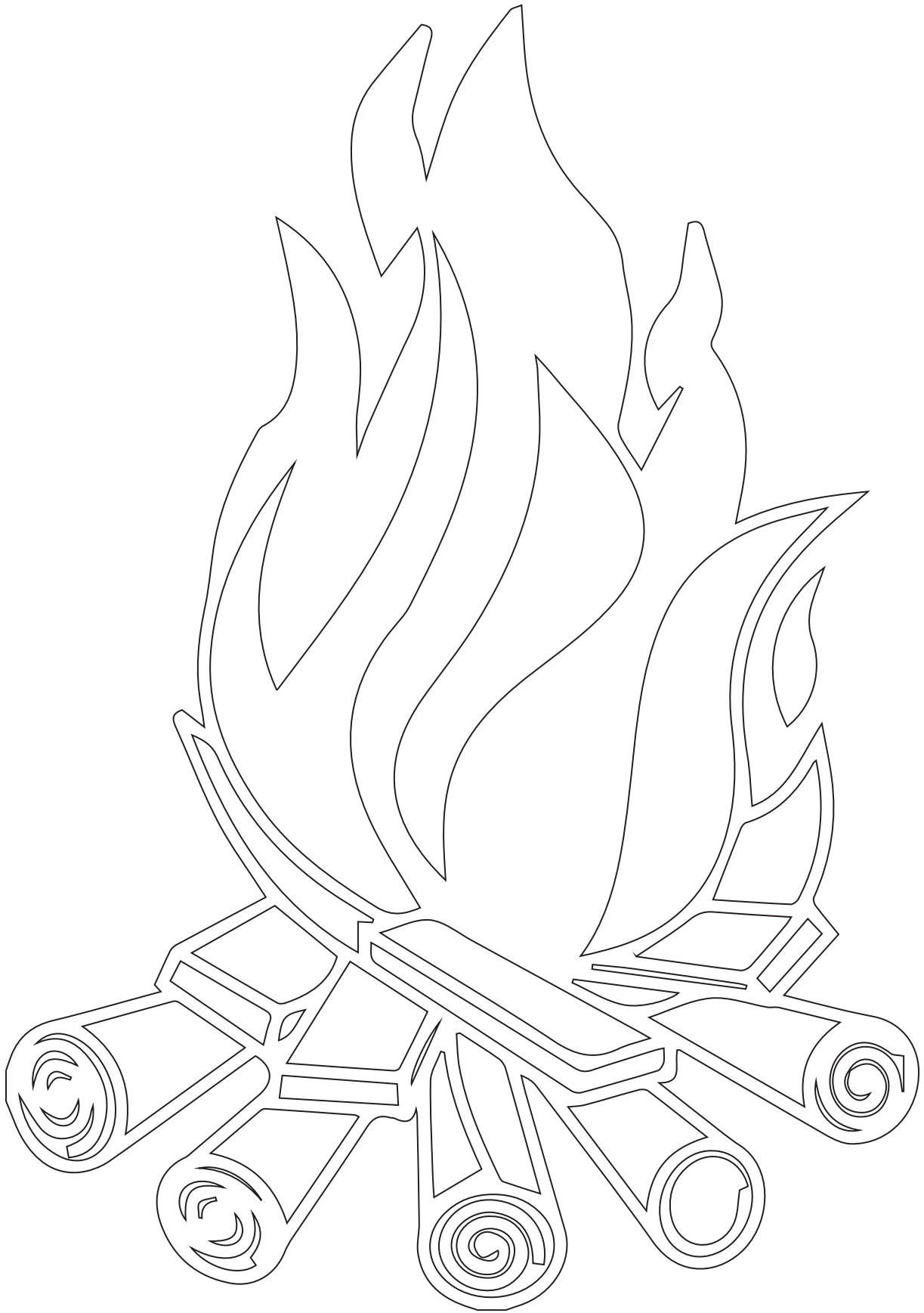
cool

shocked

protect

- The people were **very angry** and **upset** that Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) **broke their idols**.
- They **got together** to **plan** what they should do with him.
- They decided to **burn him** to **take revenge** for the idols.
- They lit a **huge fire**.
- When it was **boiling hot**, they got ready to **throw** Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) into it.
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) was **very calm** and **brave**.
- He **trusted** Allah Ta'ala and knew Allah Ta'ala will **protect him**.
- Allah Ta'ala said to **the fire**, "O fire, become **cool** for Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam)."
- **Immediately**, the fire became **cool** and **peaceful** for Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam).
- He did **NOT** get **burnt** at all.
- The people were **shocked** and **confused** when they saw that the fire did not burn Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam).

COLOUR IN THE PICTURE



Nabi

worship

loved

place

friend

father

sad

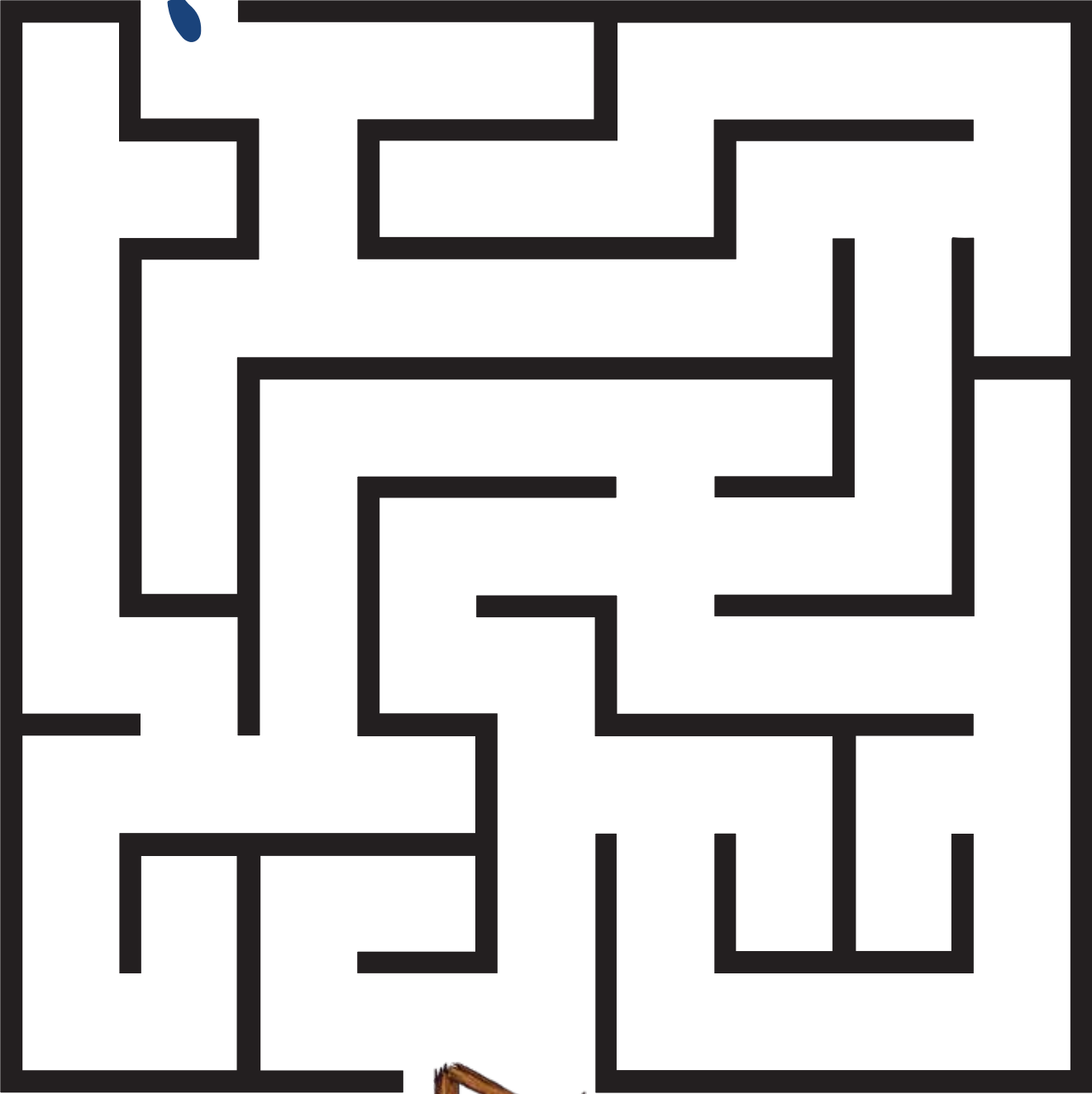
leave

obeyed

- Allah Ta'ala **loved** Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam).
- He chose him to be a **Nabi**.
- A **Nabi** is **a man chosen** by Allah Ta'ala to call the people **to Allah Ta'ala** and tell them **not to worship idols**.
- Allah Ta'ala made Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) His **close friend**.
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) **obeyed** Allah Ta'ala and began telling the people to **worship Allah Ta'ala** and **not the idols**.
- **First**, he called **his father** to **worship Allah Ta'ala**.
- His father became **angry** and said, "**Do not talk to me**".
- Then he called the people and told them to **leave the idols**.
- They also became **angry** and said, "**Leave us alone**".
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) was **very sad**.
- He said to his **father** "Peace be upon you. I am **leaving this place** and going somewhere else where **I can worship Allah Ta'ala**".
- He wanted to go to another **place** where he could **worship Allah Ta'ala** and call **the people** to Allah Ta'ala.

MAZE

Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) left his home and moved to another place to worship Allah Ta'ala.



wife

Makkah

Haajar

Ismaeel

commanded

food

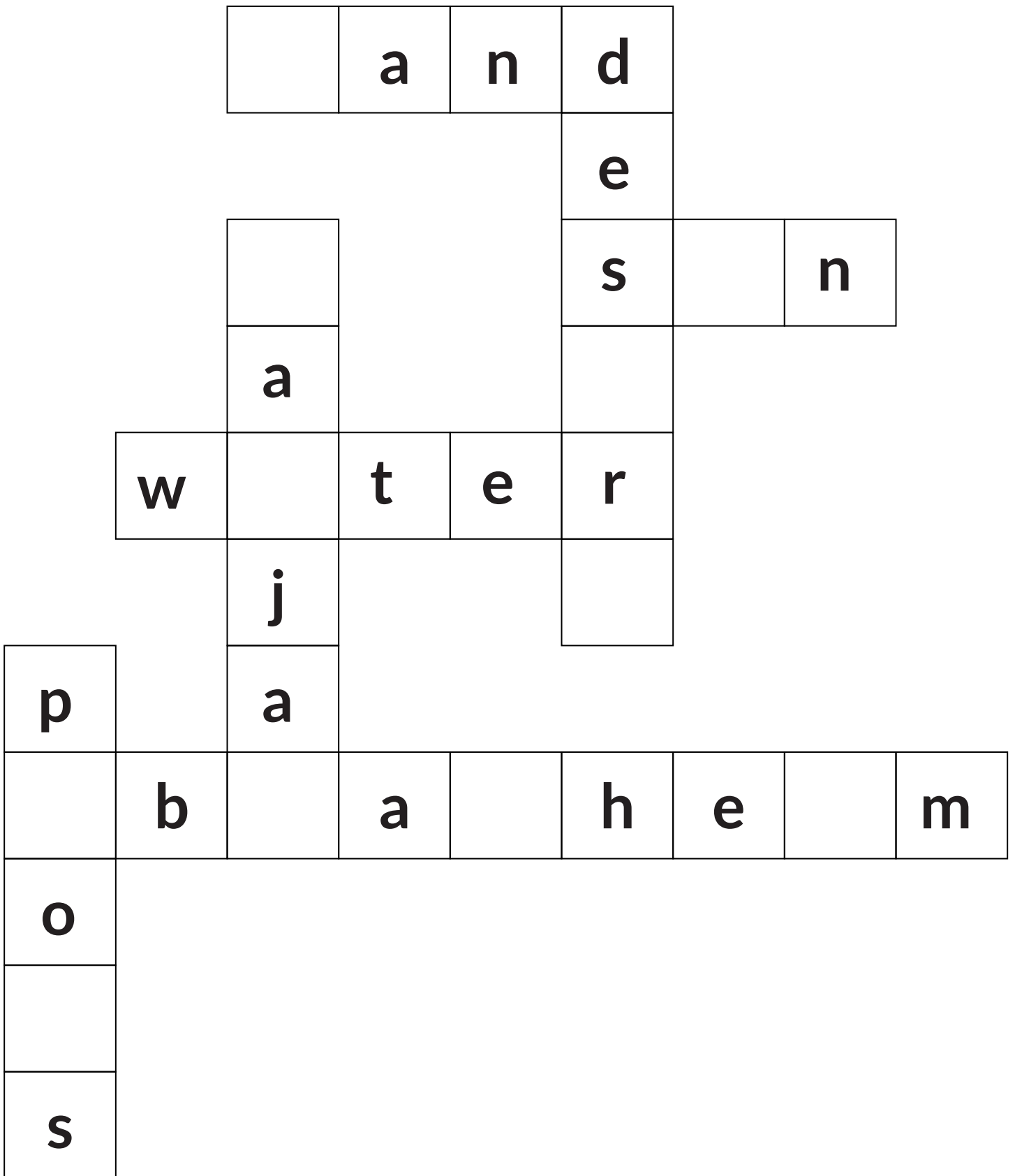
water

care

desert

- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) had **a wife** whose name was **Haajar** (*alayhas salaam*)
- He also had **a son**, **Hadhrat Ismaeel** (*alayhis salaam*)
- One day Allah Ta'ala **commanded** Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) to **leave his wife** and **son** in a place called **Makkah**.
- **Makkah** was a **desert**. It was a **dry land**.
- There were **no water**, **trees** or **people**.
- His **wife asked** him, "Are you going to **leave us alone** in this place where there is **no food or water**?"
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) **did not say anything**.
- His wife then asked him, "Did Allah Ta'ala **command** you to **leave us here**?"
- He said, "**Yes**", "Allah Ta'ala **commanded me** to **leave you here**."
- Haajar (alayhas salaam) was **a good** and **pious lady** who **obeyed** Allah Ta'ala.
- She said, "Allah Ta'ala **will not let us die here**. You may go. Allah Ta'ala will **take care of us**."

CROSS WORD PUZZLE



baby

hot

thirsty

Safa

Marwa

Zam Zam

seven

returned

live

- Hadhrat Haajar (alayhas salaam) and **her baby** Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) were **alone** in the **desert**.
- It was **hot** and **Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam)** became **very thirsty** and began to **cry**.
- **His mother** began **looking for water** to give him, but there was **no water** in **Makkah**.
- Hadhrat Haajar (alayhas salaam) **became** very **worried**.
- **She ran** from the **mountain** of **Safa** to the **mountain** of **Marwa seven times** looking for **water**.
- Allah Ta'ala helped Hadhrat Haajar (alayhas salaam) by **making water** come out from **the ground**.
- Hadhrat Haajar (alayhas salaam) and **her baby** Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) drank from **the fresh cool water**.
- This blessed water is called **Zam Zam** and is **still found** in **Makkah till today**.
- When people go for **Haj** and **Umrah**, they drink **Zam Zam water** and bring some home to share with their **family** and **friends**.

- Many people came to **live** in **Makkah** since the water of **Zam Zam** began **flowing** and **Makkah** became a **busy town**.
- Sometime later, Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) **returned** to **Makkah** with his wife Hadhrat Haajar (alayhas salaam) and **beloved son** Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam).

WORD SEARCH

FIND THE FOLLOWING WORDS

thirsty | **zamzam** | **seven** | **blessed** | **safa** | **marwa** | **son**

j	a	b	n	a	h	b	t
c	s	l	o	r	a	z	h
m	m	e	k	p	s	h	i
a	a	s	e	v	e	n	r
r	z	s	o	a	t	h	s
w	m	e	p	f	z	m	t
a	a	d	h	a	t	s	y
d	z	k	e	s	o	n	h

dream

slaughter

ram

knife

cut

passed

test

Eidul Adha

command

- One day, Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) saw in **a dream** that he was **slaughtering (cutting) his son**.
- He told his son Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) about **his dream** and asked him **what** he had **to say**.
- Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) said, "O my father, **do as you have been commanded**. You will **Insha-Allah**, find me from among **the patient ones**."
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) took **his son** to **slaughter him** but when **he tried to cut, the knife would'nt cut**.
- This was **a test** from **Allah Ta'ala**.
- Allah Ta'ala **wanted to see** if Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) will **obey Him** and **slaughter** the **son** whom **he loved very much**.
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) **passed the test**.
- Allah Ta'ala **sent a ram** from **Jannah** and asked Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) to **slaughter** it instead of **his son**.

- Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) also **passed the test** as **he was happy** with the command of **Allah Ta'ala**.
- **Allah Ta'ala** was **so happy** with Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) and Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) that up to this day we **cut animals** on **Eidul Adha** in **remembrance** of **the sacrifice** of Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) and Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam).

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

1. What did Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) see in a dream?

2. What did Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) say when his father told him the dream?

3. What happened to the knife when he tried cutting?

4. What did Allah Ta'ala send from Jannah? _____
5. Did Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) pass the test? _____
6. Did Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) pass the test? _____
7. What do we celebrate every year to remember the sacrifice of Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam)?

Ka'bah

tawaaf

house

worship

world

salaah

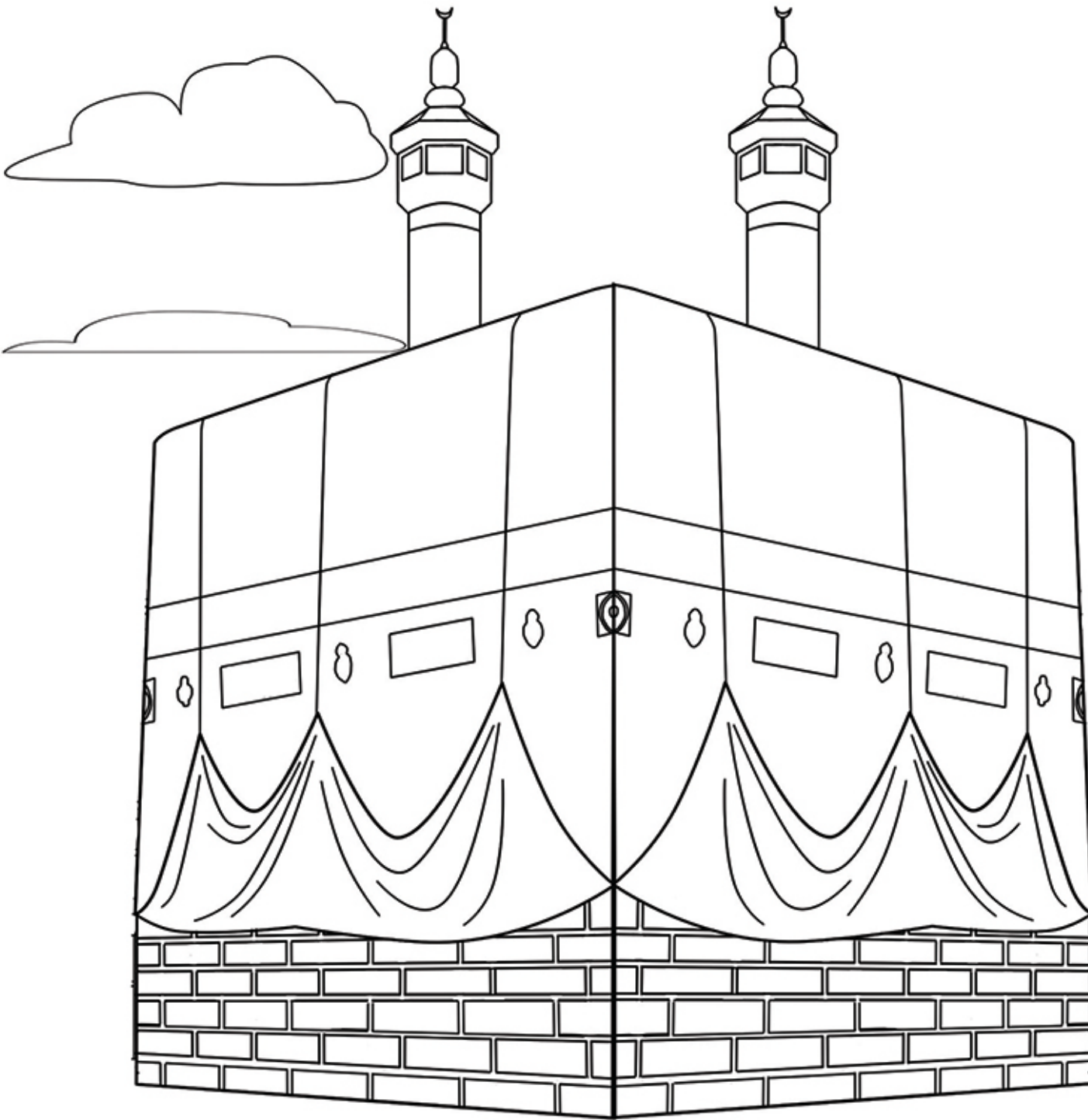
mountain

stones

build

- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) wanted **to build a house** for **the people** to **worship Allah Ta'ala**.
- Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) **helped his father**.
- Both **father** and **son** worked hard and built **the Baitullah** (the house of Allah Ta'ala which we call the Ka'bah) with **their own hands**.
- They used to **carry stones** from **a mountain** nearby and used it to **build the Ka'bah Shareef**.
- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) would **remember Allah Ta'ala** and make **dua** as they were **building**
"O Allah, accept this from us! You are the All Hearing, the All-Seeing"
- **All Muslims** around the **world face** the **Ka'bah** when reading **Salaah**.
- When we go for **Haj** and **Umrah** we make **tawaaf** around **the Ka'bah**.

COLOUR IN THE KA'BAH



HADHRAT IBRAAHEEM

(*alayhis salaam*)

Saarah

Ishaaq

Masjid

land

family

Aqsa

Palestine

blessed

kings

- Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) had **another wife** whose name was **Hadhrat Saarah (alayhas salaam)**.
- They had **a son** named **Hadhrat Ishaaq (alayhis salaam)**.
- They **lived** in **Palestine**.
- Hadhrat Ishaaq (alayhis salaam) **built a Masjid** for **worshipping Allah Ta'ala** in **Palestine** just as his father and brother built the Ka'bah in Makkah.
- This **Masjid** is called **Masjidul Aqsa**.
- Allah Ta'ala **blessed** this **Masjid** and the **land around it**.
- Allah Ta'ala **blessed** Hadhrat Ishaaq (alayhis salaam) and **his children**.
- There were many **kings** and **Prophets** in **his family**.

JOIN THE DOTS AND COLOUR IN

M A S J I D U L

A Q S A

Lessons from the life of Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam)

- **Stay away from idol worshipping.**

Worshipping, making dua or praying to anyone else or anything besides Allah Ta'ala is called kufr and shirk. Stay away from idols, temples, churches, crosses etc. If you see anything of kufr or shirk recite the fifth Kalimah loudly.

- **Always listen and obey Allah Ta'ala.**

No matter how hard it may be, do what Allah Ta'ala wants us to do.

Remember how Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) obeyed Allah Ta'ala and went to slaughter his son whom he loved very much.

- **Help in doing good actions.**

Hadhrat Ismaeel (alayhis salaam) helped his father to build the Ka'bah. We must also try and help our parents, teachers and family in doing good work. In this way Allah Ta'ala will become pleased with us. When Allah Ta'ala is happy with us, he will put us in Jannah.

- **We must always trust Allah Ta'ala.**

When Hadhrat Ibraaheem (alayhis salaam) was thrown in the fire, he had trust that Allah Ta'ala will help him.

When Hadhrat Haajar (alayhas salaam) was left in the desert all alone, she had trust that Allah Ta'ala will help her.

We too must place our trust in Allah Ta'ala and remember that He is always there for us. He will protect us.

HADHRAT YUSUF

(*alayhis salaam*)

Yaqoob

Yusuf

twelve

sajdah

brothers

stars

handsome

dream

jealous

- There was a **Nabi** of Allah Ta'ala whose name was **Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam)**.
- Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) had **twelve sons**.
- One of his **son's** names was **Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam)**.
- Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) was **very handsome, pious** and **clever**.
- Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) **loved his son** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **very much**.
- This made his other **brothers very jealous** of him.
- One night, Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) saw in a **dream** that **eleven stars, the sun** and **the moon** were making **sajdah to him**.
- He **told his father** Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) about the dream.
- Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) told him **not to tell his brothers** about the dream as it will make them **more jealous**.

HOW MANY STARS CAN YOU FIND?



TOTAL: _____

HADHRAT YUSUF

(*alayhis salaam*)

happy

love

sad

jealous

play

well

wolf

sheep

patient

- One day, the **brothers** of Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) had **a meeting**.
- They were **jealous** of Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam), so they wanted to get **rid of him**.
- They decided to **throw him** into a **well**.
- They came to their **father** and told him that they are **going out to play** and they **wanted to take** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) with them.
- Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) was **not happy** to **send** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **with them**.
- The **brothers promised** that they will **look after him**, so **he sent** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) with them.
- The **brothers** of Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) took him and **threw him** in **the well**.
- They **came home** at **night crying** that **a wolf** had **eaten** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam).
- They even **showed** him his **shirt** which had **sheep blood** on it.
- Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) was **very sad** but **remained patient**.

CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD FROM BELOW TO COMPLETE THE SENTENCE

play

meeting

well

wolf

sad

happy

1. One day the brothers of Yusuf (alayhis salaam) had a _____
2. They decided to throw Yusuf (alayhis salaam) into a _____
3. They told their father that they are going out to _____
4. Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) was not _____ with Yusuf (alayhis salaam) going.
5. They came home at night crying that a _____ had come and eaten Yusuf (alayhis salaam).

HADHRAT YUSUF

(*alayhis salaam*)

travellers

Egypt

minister

grew up

house

kindness

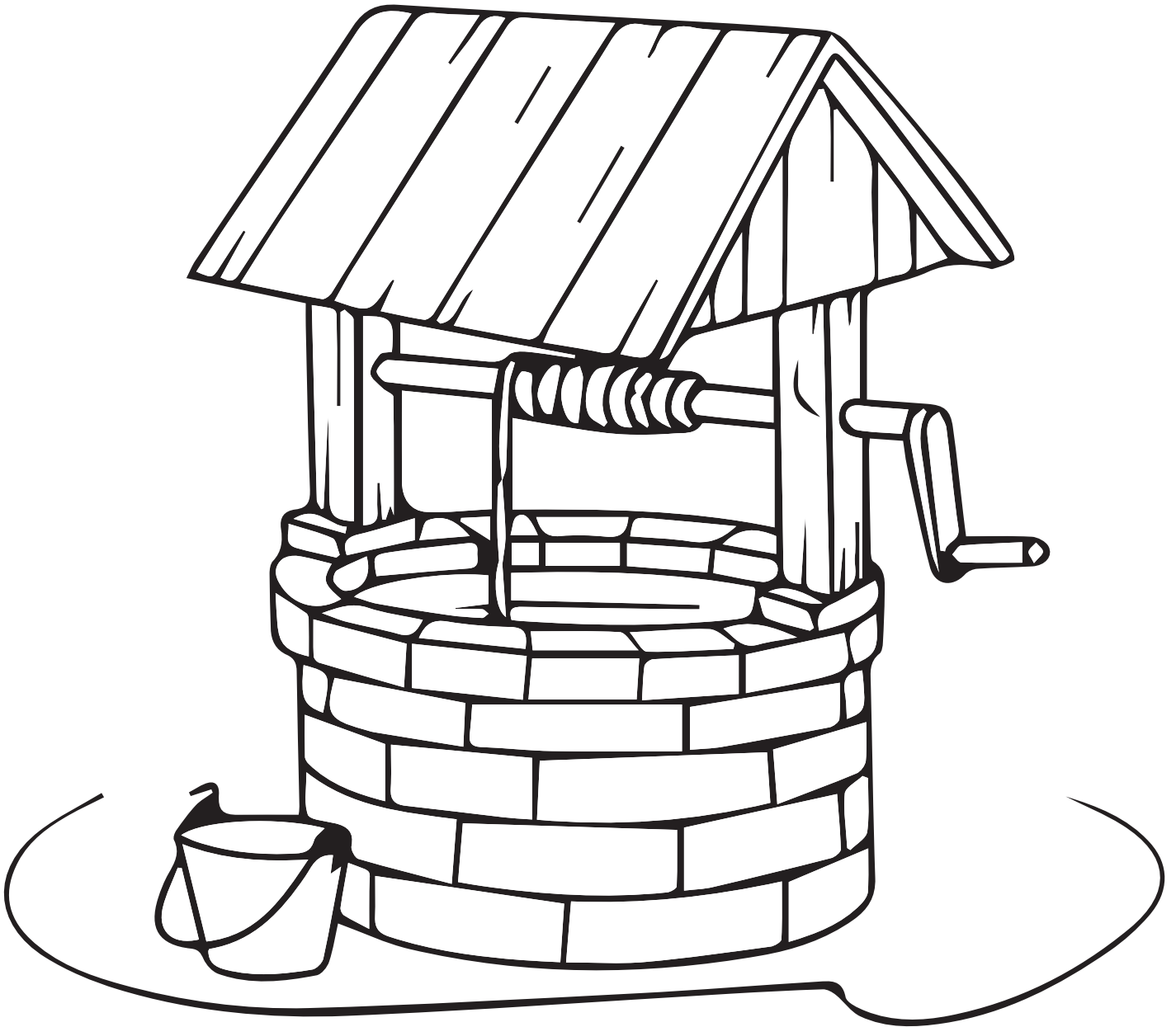
bucket

well

slave

- In the meantime, some **travellers stopped** by this **well**.
- They lowered their **bucket** into the **well to get water**.
- Instead of water, Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **came up**.
- The **travellers took** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) with them and **sold him** as a **slave** in **Egypt**.
- One of the **ministers** of **Egypt bought him**.
- The **minister treated** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) with a **lot of kindness**.
- Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **grew up** in the **house** of the minister..

COLOUR IN THE WELL



HADHRAT YUSUF

(*alayhis salaam*)

accused

jail

dua

happy

sad

prisoners

remembered

pious

respect

- One day, the **minister's wife accused** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) of doing **something wrong**.
- Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) was put into **jail**.
- He continued to **make dua** to **Allah Ta'ala**.
- Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **always remembered** Allah Ta'ala, whether he was **happy** or **sad**.
- He was kind to the **other prisoners** in **jail** and **invited them** to **worship Allah Ta'ala**.
- The **prisoners** saw that Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) was a **good** and **pious person**.
- They started to **love** and **respect him**.

WORD SEARCH

FIND THE FOLLOWING WORDS

minister | jail | sad | accused | pious | respect | happy

m	a	r	n	j	a	i	l
i	s	e	p	i	o	u	s
n	m	s	k	p	s	a	d
i	a	p	e	a	a	n	r
s	z	e	o	c	d	h	s
t	m	c	p	c	z	m	y
e	p	t	o	u	s	z	p
r	z	k	e	s	o	n	p
p	i	o	h	e	t	s	a
d	l	k	e	d	o	n	h

HADHRAT YUSUF

(*alayhis salaam*)

gift

interpret

Egypt

dream

drought

king

important

food

storing

- Allah Ta'ala blessed Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) with the **gift** of **interpreting dreams**.
- This means, that if anyone had **a dream**, he could explain what the **meaning** was.
- One day the **king** of **Egypt** saw a **strange dream** and he wanted to know what it **meant**.
- The king **called** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) and **asked him** what his **dream meant**.
- Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) explained to him that **his dream** meant that soon there will be a **severe drought** in **Egypt**. A drought means that there will be **no rain**.
- He told the king that because of the **drought** there will be **a shortage of food** so they must **start storing food**.
- The King was **very happy** as Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **helped** them.
- He freed him from **jail** and made him an **important person** in the country.

WHAT WAS THE MEANING OF THE KING'S DREAM?

His dream meant ...



HADHRAT YUSUF

(*alayhis salaam*)

shortage

suffering

recognise

brothers

kindly

wrong

forgave

many years

parents

- Soon there was a **drought** just as Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) told them.
- There was a **shortage of food** not only in **Egypt** but even the **places around** Egypt.
- **Everyone** was **suffering** except the people of **Egypt** because they had **stored food**.
- People **started coming** to **Egypt** to ask the **king for food**.
- The **brothers** of Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **also came** to Egypt looking for food.
- They **didn't realise** that **the leader** of Egypt was Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam), the **same brother** who they threw in the well.
- Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **recognised his brothers**. He **treated them kindly** despite the **wrong** they had **done to him**.
- He **forgave them** and gave them **food**.
- He told them to **bring his parents** to Egypt.

- Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) was **overjoyed** to see his **beloved son** Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) after **so many years**.
- Allah Ta'ala was **very happy** that Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) **forgave his brothers**.

MATCH COLUMN A WITH COLUMN B

Allah Ta'ala

Forgave his brothers for the wrong they did

Drought

Was happy with Yusuf alayhis salaam

Egypt

Met his son after so many years

Brothers of Yusuf alayhis salaam

Only place that had food

Yaqoob alayhis salaam

Means no rain

Yusuf alayhis salaam

Came to Egypt for food

Lessons from the life of Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam)

- **Save yourself from jealousy.**

Jealousy causes hatred between people. Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam's) brothers were jealous of him so they threw him in the well. When we are jealous, we do wrong things. We must make shukar for what we have and don't look at the things others have, and wish we had had it, not them.

- **Be patient**

Hadhrat Yaqoob (alayhis salaam) had to have a lot of patience when his beloved son was taken from him. In the end Allah Ta'ala rewarded him by bringing Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) back to him.

- **Remember Allah Ta'ala in all conditions**

Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) always remembered Allah Ta'ala in good times and bad times. At the bottom of the well he remembered Allah Ta'ala and as the leader of Egypt he also remembered Allah Ta'ala.

- **Forgive people**

Hadhrat Yusuf (alayhis salaam) forgave his brothers for throwing him in the well and treated them nicely despite the wrong they did to him.

HADHRAT SULAYMAAN

(*alayhis salaam*)

Sulaymaan

Palestine

Dawood

Nabi

leader

pious

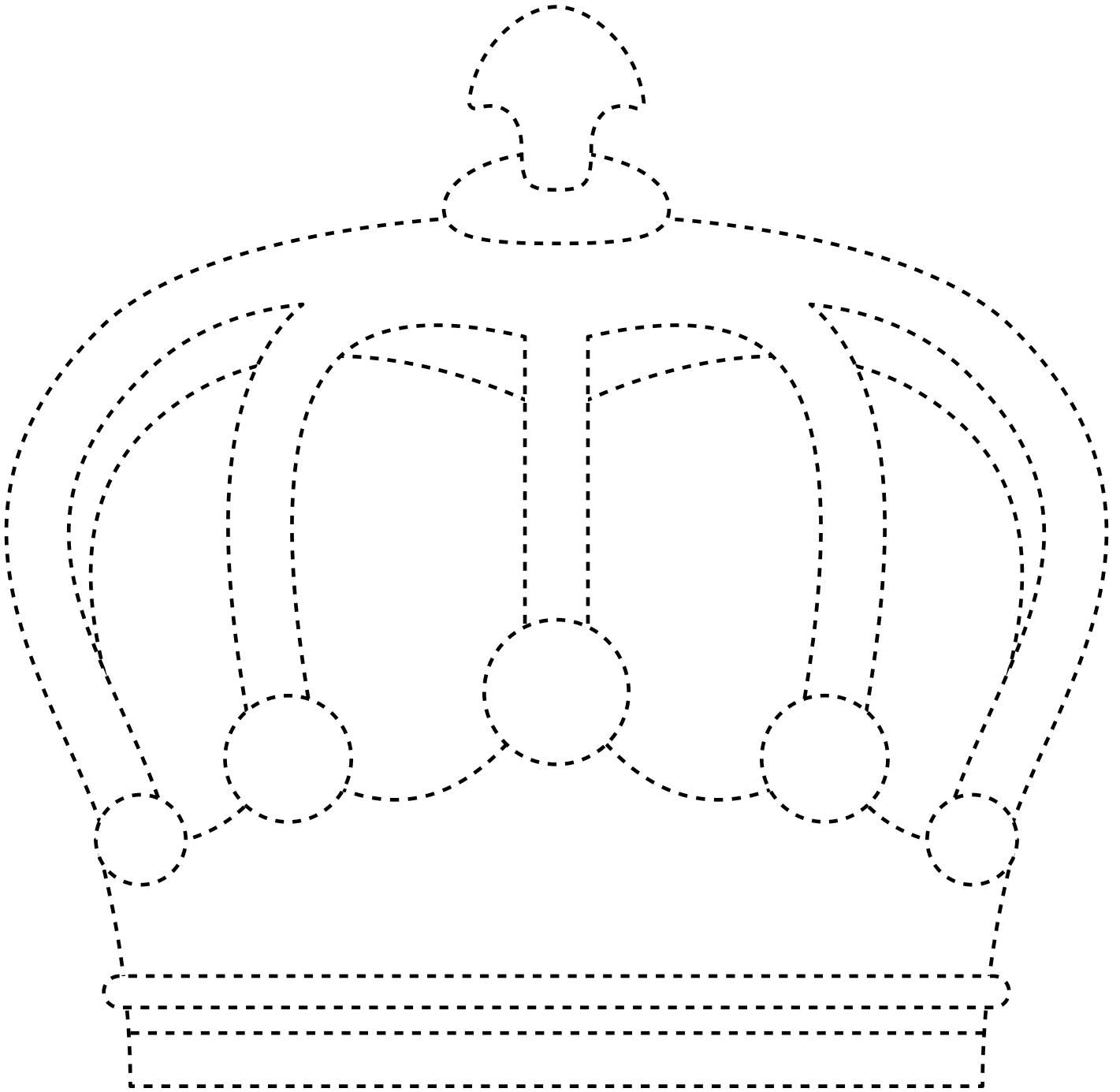
king

fair

wise

- There was a young boy named **Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam)**.
- He lived in a place called **Palestine**.
- **His father, Hadhrat Dawood (alayhis salaam)** was a **king** and also a **Nabi** of Allah Ta'ala.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) was a **good** and **pious boy** who was also **very clever** and **wise**.
- When Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) grew up, **Allah Ta'ala** also made him a **Nabi**.
- After his **father passed away**, he became the **king**.
- He was a **good** and **fair king** who looked after the people well.
- His people **loved** and **respected** him as their leader.

JOIN THE DOTS



Dua

wind

language

understand

birds

Jinnaat

kingdom

accepted

gifts

- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) made **dua to Allah Ta'ala**,
"O Allah, give me such a kingdom, which no one will have after me."
- Allah Ta'ala **accepted** this dua and gave Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) **some very special gifts**.
- He could understand the **language** of the **birds, bees, ants, animals** and **jinn**. they used to **speak to** him and he could **speak to them**.
- He had **control** over the **winds**. The **wind** used to **carry** Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) from **place to place** in a **short time**.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) was given **control over** the **Jinnaat**.
- They used to **dive** into the **ocean** and bring out **pearls**.
- They used to also help **build palaces**.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) always **thanked** and praised **Allah Ta'ala** for these **gifts**.

FILL IN THE BLANKS

1. Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) could understand the _____ of the _____ and _____.
2. He had control over the _____.
3. Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) was given control over the _____.
4. They used to dive into the _____ and bring out _____.
5. They used to also help build _____.
6. Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) always _____ and praised Allah Ta'ala for these _____.

army

people

animals

ants

birds

Jinn

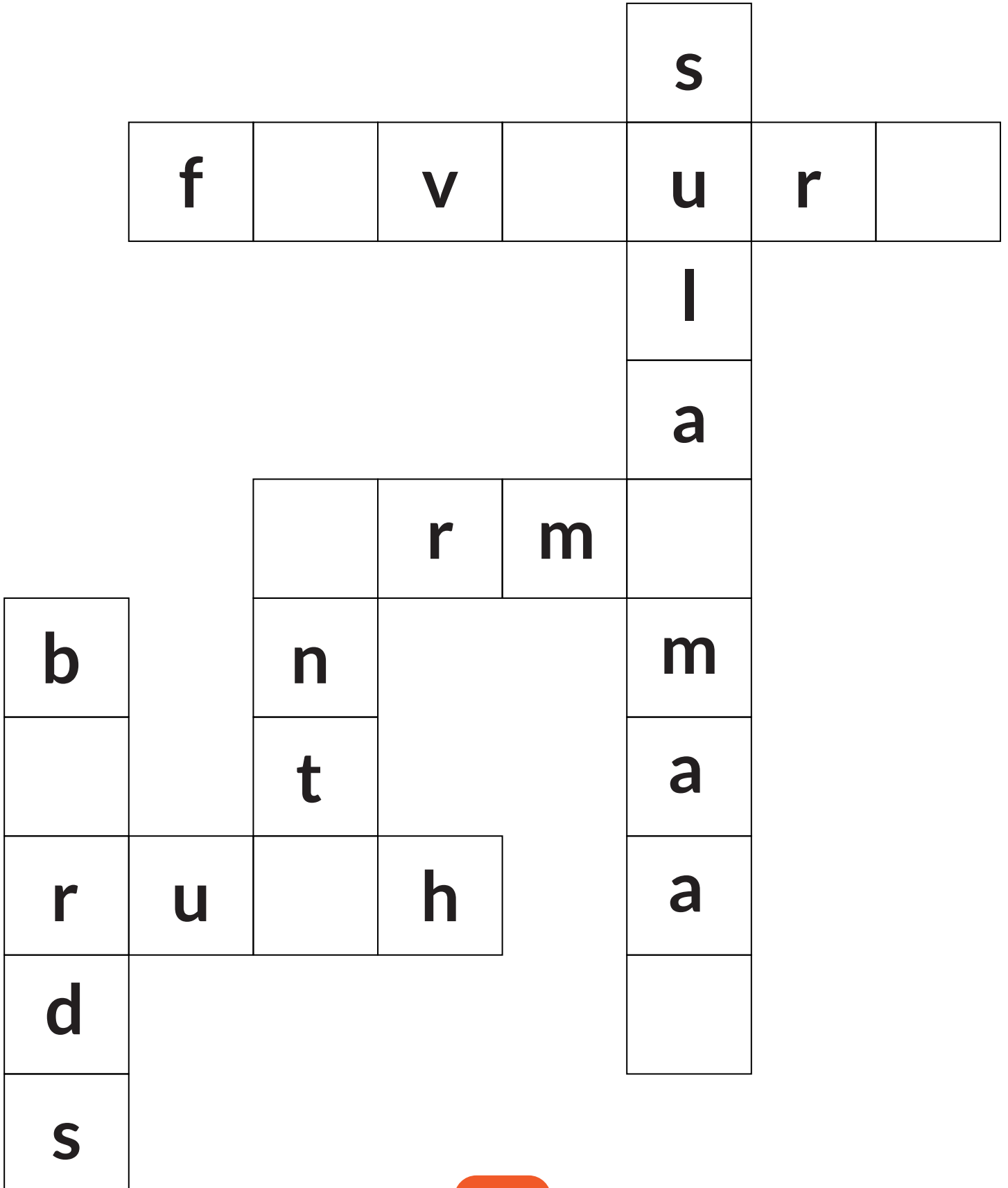
trample

favours

smiled

- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) had a **huge army** of **people, birds, animals** and **jinn**.
- Once Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) was travelling with his army and they **passed** by **some ants**.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) heard one ant calling out, O ants! **Rush into your homes** (holes) in case Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) and his **army trample you** without even realising.”
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) **smiled** and made **dua** to Allah Ta’ala thanking him for the **favours** He **blessed him with**.

CROSS WORD PUZZLE



gathered

Hud Hud

returned

queen

far away

Bilqees

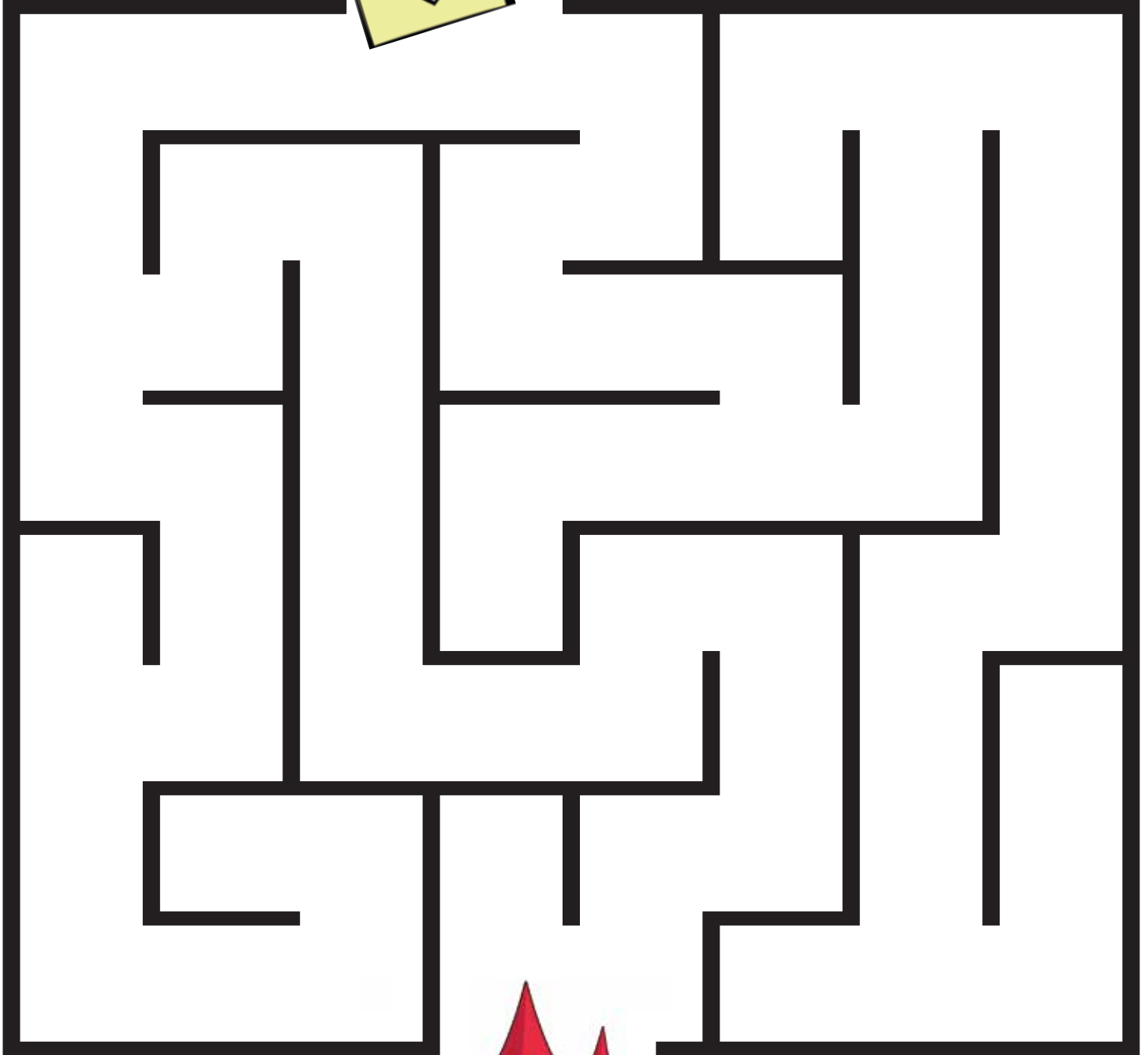
Sheba

letter

Islam

- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) once **gathered** all the **animals** and **birds**.
- He realised that **hud hud** (name of a bird) was **missing**.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) became **angry** and said “**Where is he?** I will **punish him** when I find him if he does not have an excuse for being absent!”
- **Not long** after that, hud hud **returned**.
- He said he was **absent** because he saw **some people** in a **far away place** who **did not worship Allah Ta’ala**.
- They had a **big kingdom** and their **queen’s** name was **Bilqees**.
- They **lived** in a place called **Sheba**.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) sent **hud hud** with a **letter** to the **queen** **inviting** her and her people to **Islam**.
- The **queen** and **her people** accepted Islam and became **Muslims**.

HELP HUD HUD TAKE THE LETTER TO BILQUEES



HADHRAT SULAYMAAN

(*alayhis salaam*)

Aqsa

passed away

watched

helped

walking stick

Dua

ate up

bless

completed

- Hadhrat Dawood (alayhis salaam), the **father** of Hadhrat Sulaymaan. (alayhis salaam) started building **Masjidul Aqsa** in Palestine.
- He **passed away before** completing it.
- Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) **began rebuilding** the Mqsjid.
- The **jinn helped him** to build it.
- He **stood leaning** on his **walking stick** and **watched** them as they built.
- He made lots of **dua** to Allah Ta'ala to **bless** the **Mqsjid**.
- One day while **leaning** on his **stick**, **he passed away**.
- The **jinn** did **not realise** that he had passed away and **continued** building.
- Eventually the **ants ate** up **his stick** and Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) **fell** to the **ground**.
- The **jinn completed** building the **Masjid** and then only **noticed** that Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) had **passed away**.

ARRANGE THE WORD IN THE CORRECT ORDER

saqa

ktsic

rthfea

jmdisu

masunlyaa

tsna

lefl

Lessons from the life of Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam)

- **Be kind to all people and animals**

Both Hadhrat Dawood (alayhis salaam) and Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) had huge kingdoms and were powerful kings but they were kind to their people and treated everyone and everything well.

- **Do not be proud**

Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) was blessed with many gifts but he did not become proud. He was humble and always remembered Allah Ta'ala.

- **Be grateful for everything that we have**

Hadhrat Sulaymaan (alayhis salaam) always thanked Allah Ta'ala for blessing him with a wonderful kingdom. He knew everything was from Allah Ta'ala.

- **Masjidul Aqsa is the third greatest Masjid in Islam**

We must always remember that Masjidul Aqsa is an important Masjid for us Muslims.

