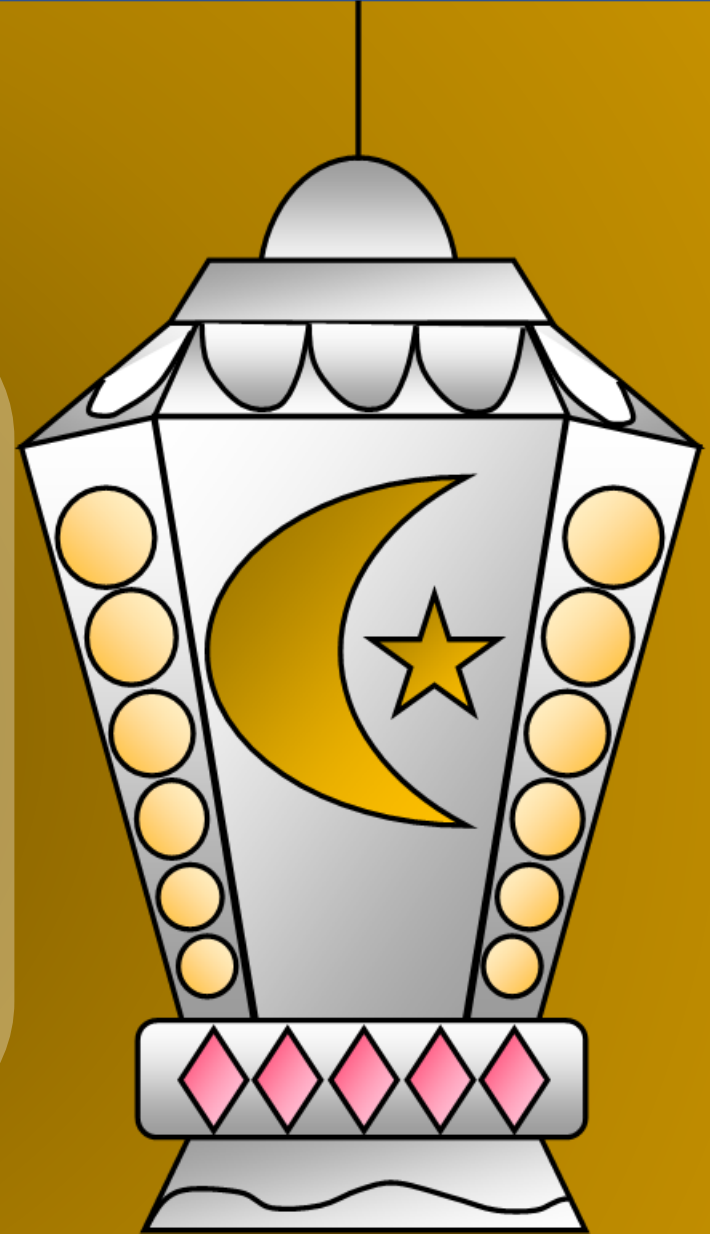
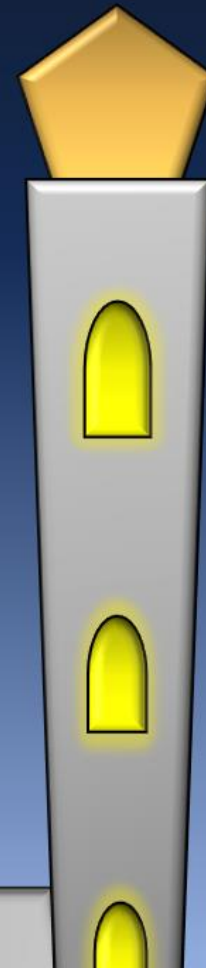
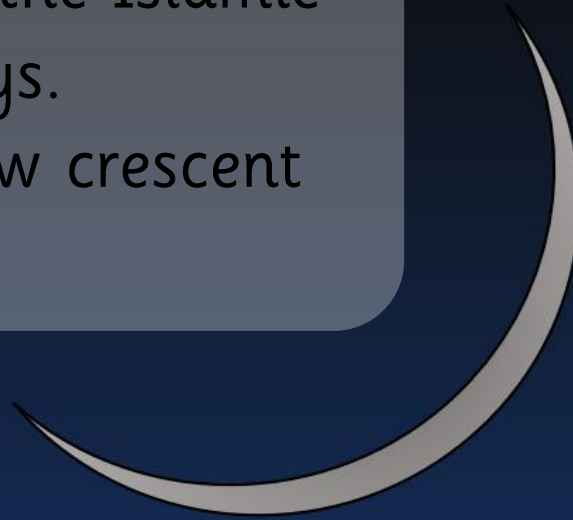
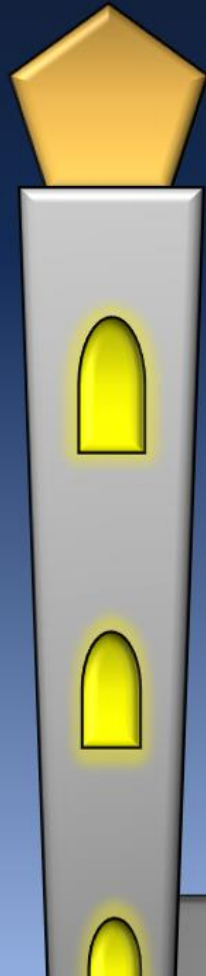


# All About Ramadan



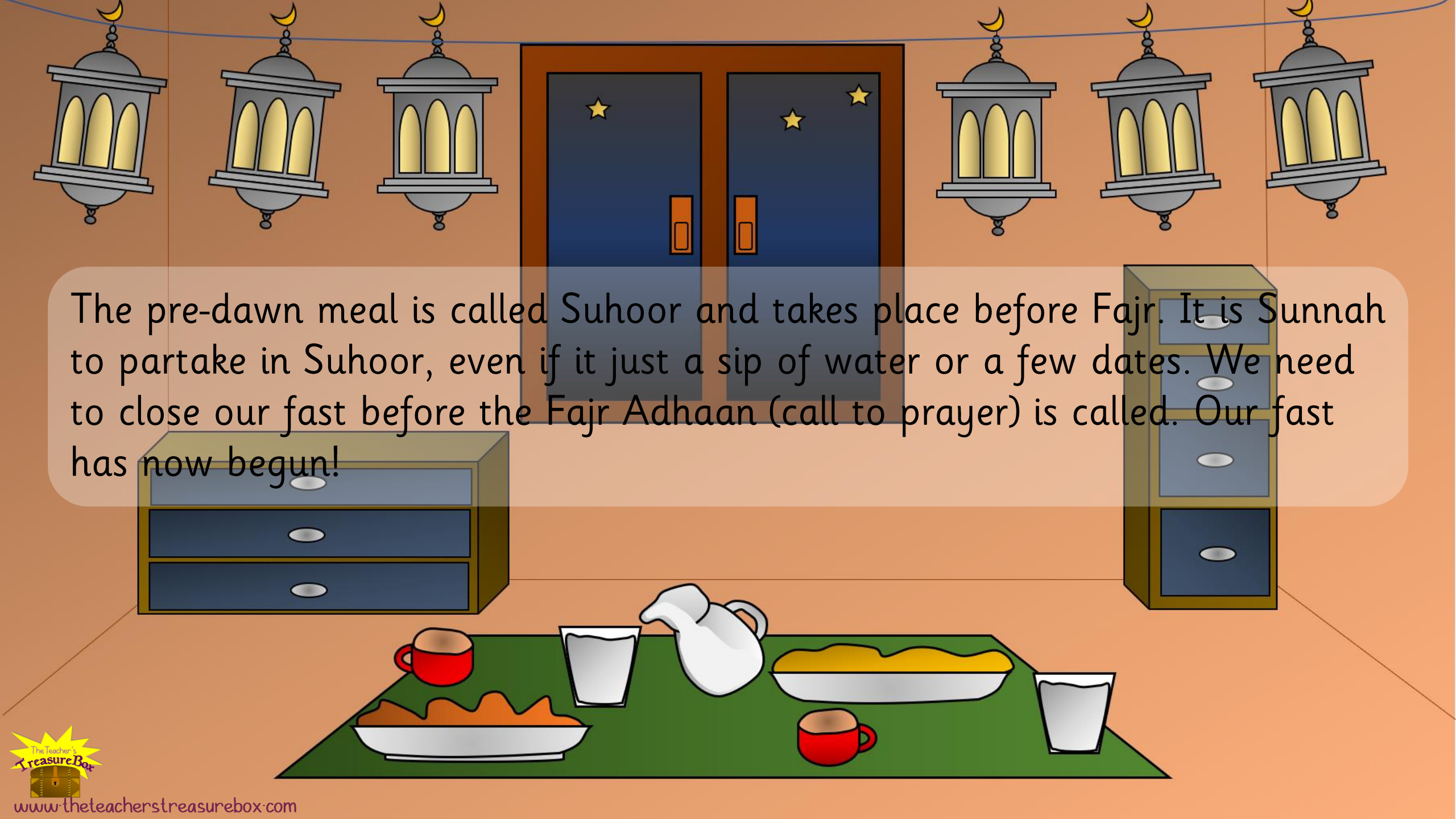
Ramadan is the 9<sup>th</sup> month of the Islamic Calendar. It has 29 or 30 days.

Ramadan begins when the new crescent moon is sighted.



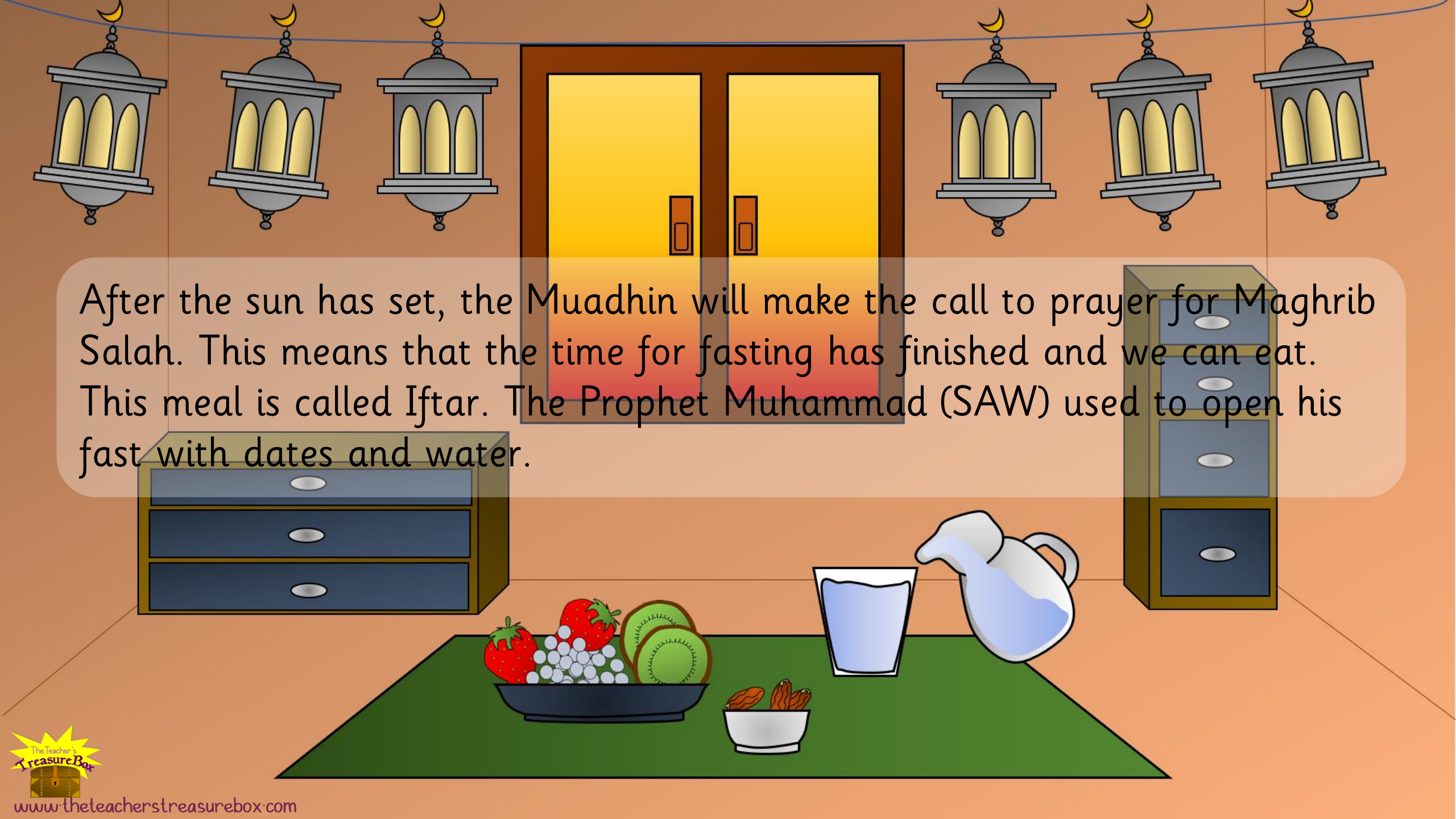
All Muslims must fast in Ramadan, apart from young children, travellers and those who are sick. Fasting means to not eat or drink from dawn until sunset.





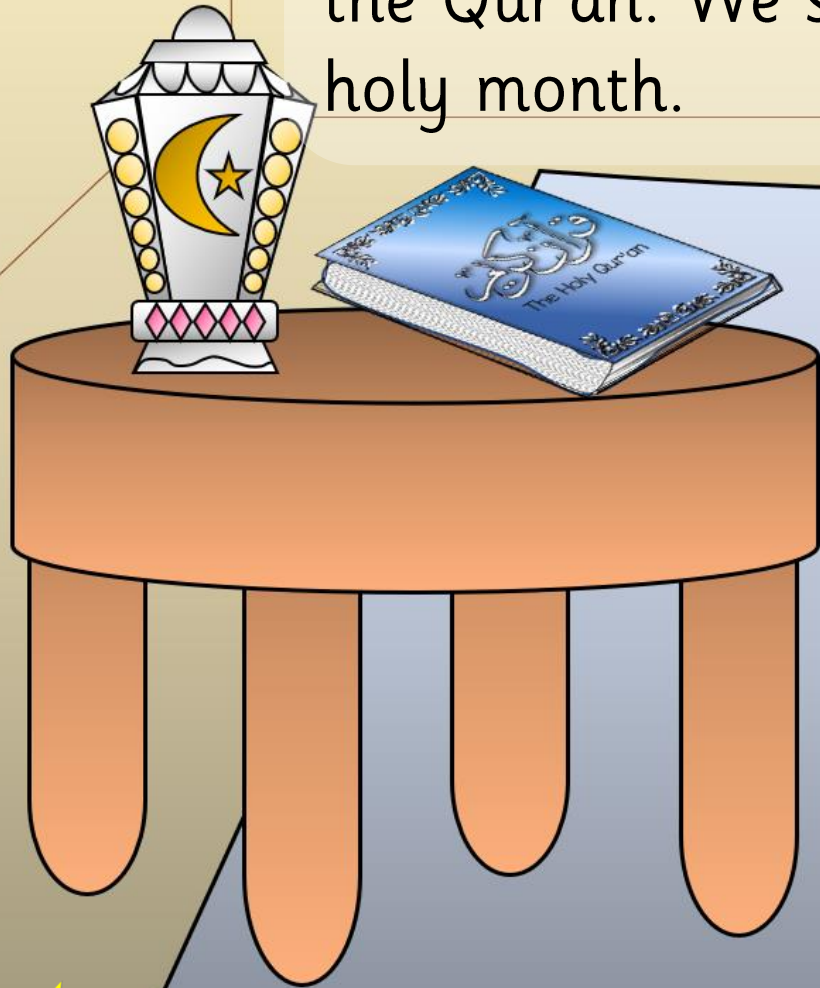
The pre-dawn meal is called Suhoor and takes place before Fajr. It is Sunnah to partake in Suhoor, even if it just a sip of water or a few dates. We need to close our fast before the Fajr Adhaan (call to prayer) is called. Our fast has now begun!





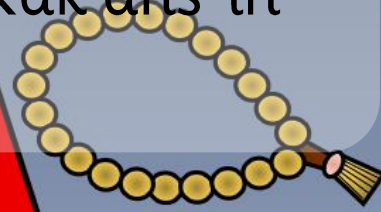
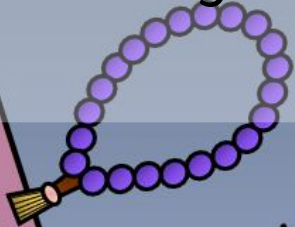
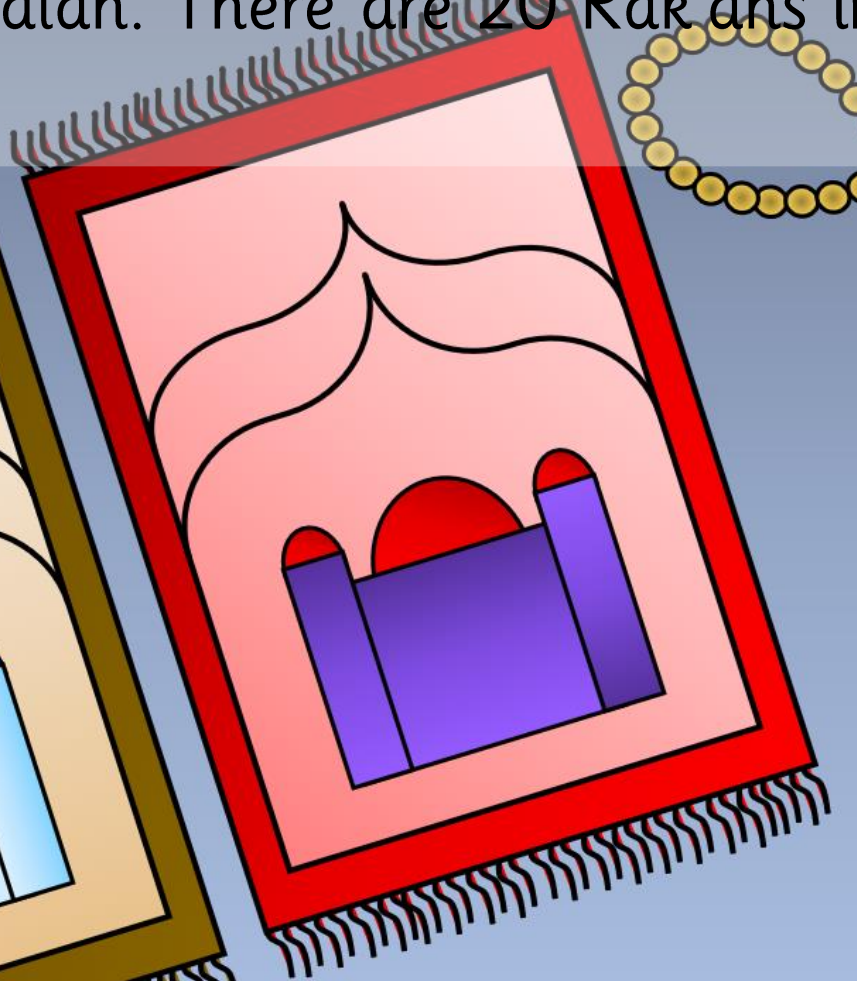
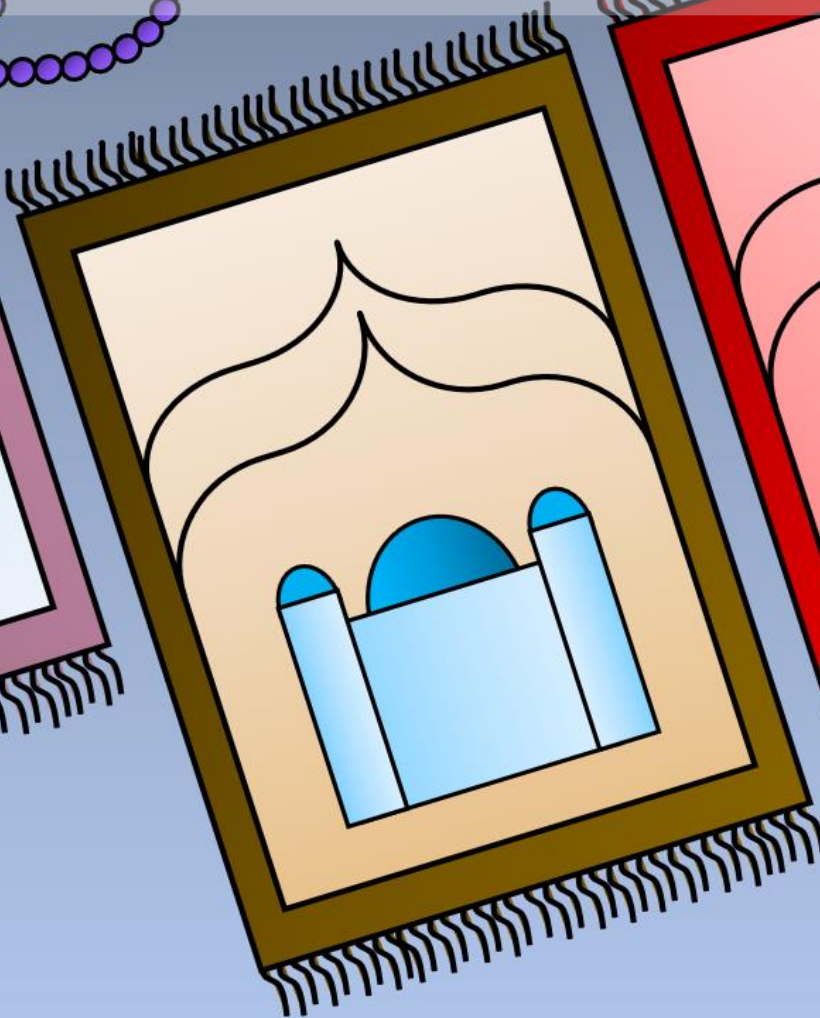
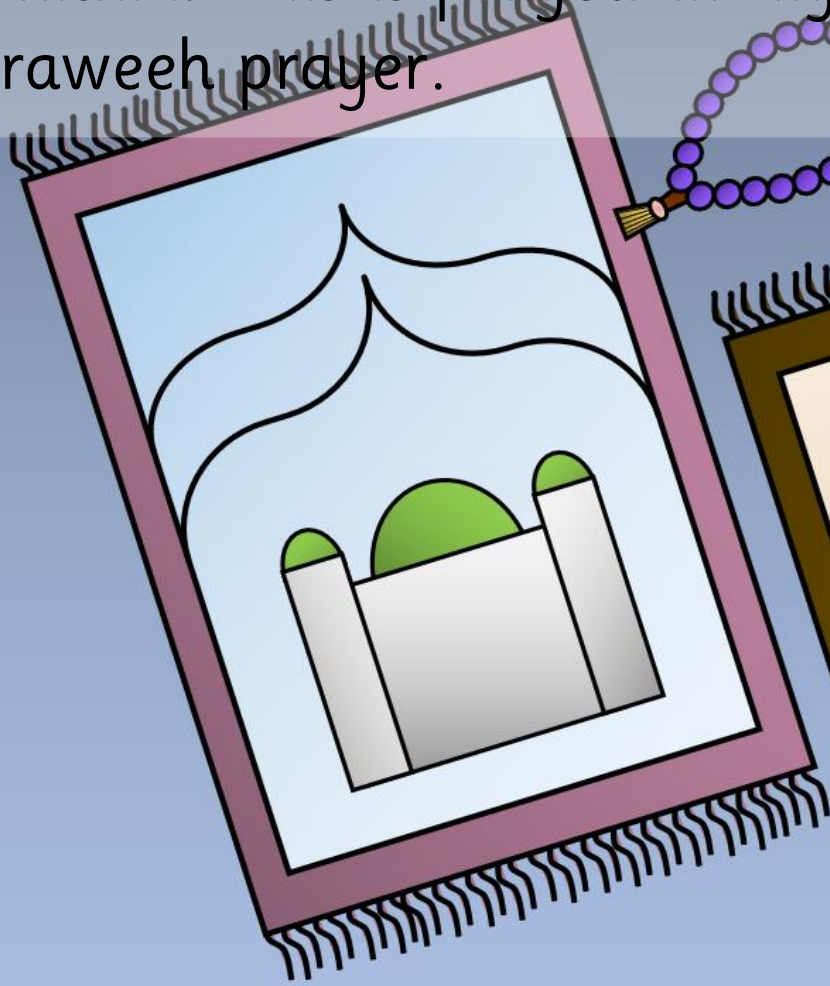
After the sun has set, the Muadhin will make the call to prayer for Maghrib Salah. This means that the time for fasting has finished and we can eat. This meal is called Iftar. The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) used to open his fast with dates and water.

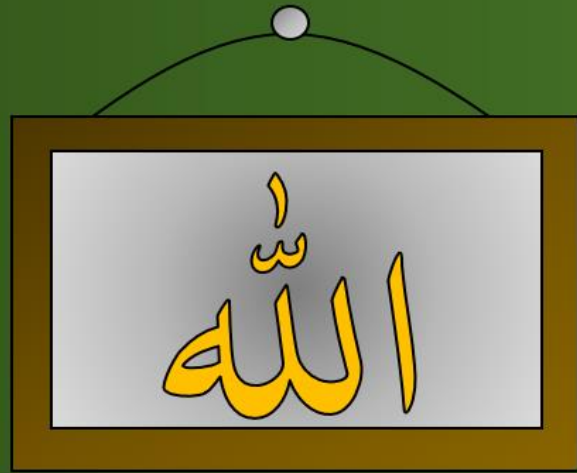
Ramadan is also known as the Month of the Qur'an. This was the month that Angel Jibra'eel was sent down with the first verses of the Qur'an. We should try to complete the entire Qur'an during this holy month.





There is a special prayer called Taraweeh, which is only read during the month of Ramadan. This is prayed at night, after Isha Salah. There are 20 Rak'ahs in the Taraweeh prayer.





During the last 10 days of Ramadan, there is a special night called Laylatul Qadr, or The Night of Power. We should try to perform as many good deeds during this night as it is better than a thousand months.







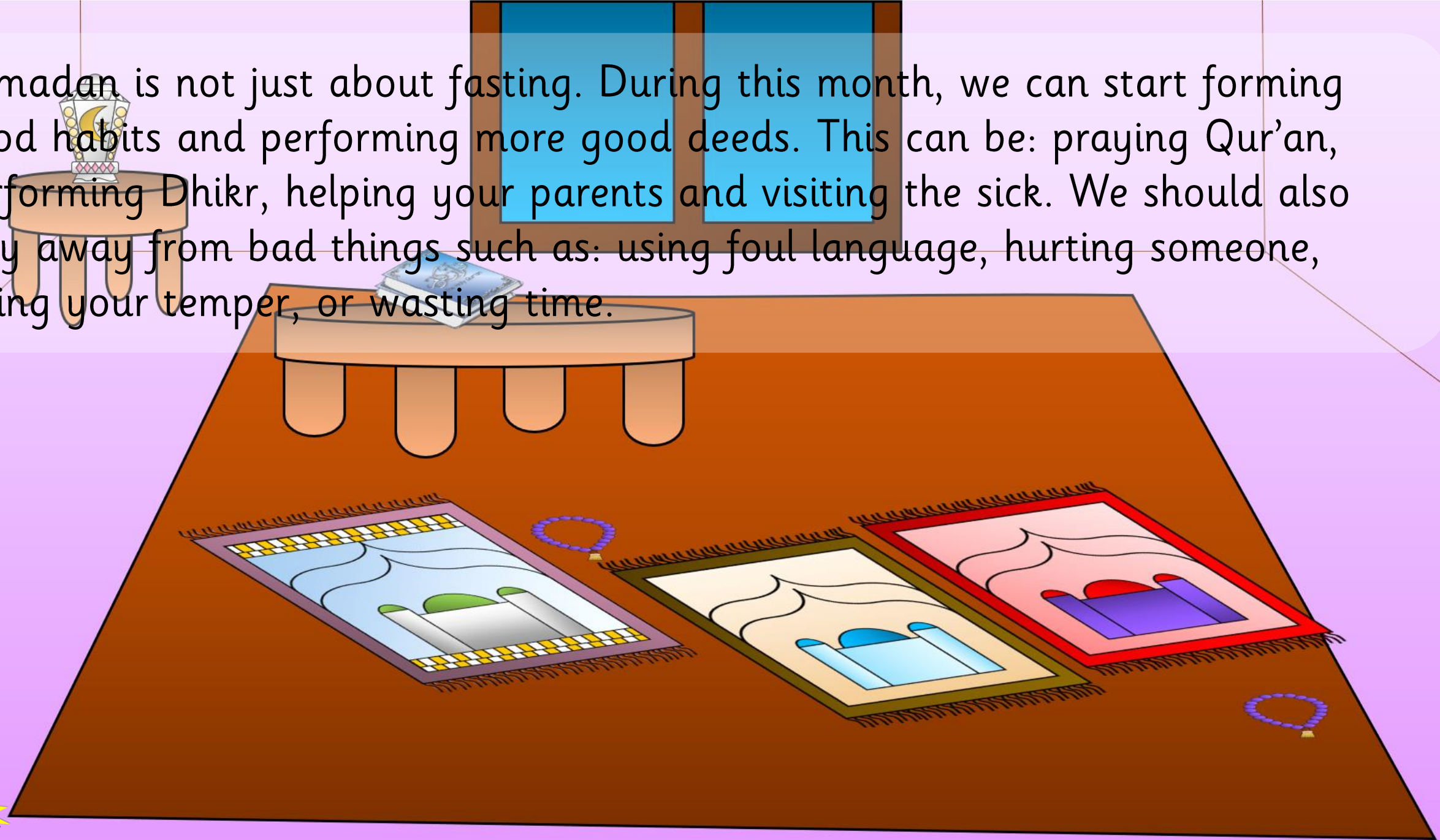
One of the best times to make dua, is before you open your fast, as Allah will not reject it. We should use this time to ask Allah for anything we want.





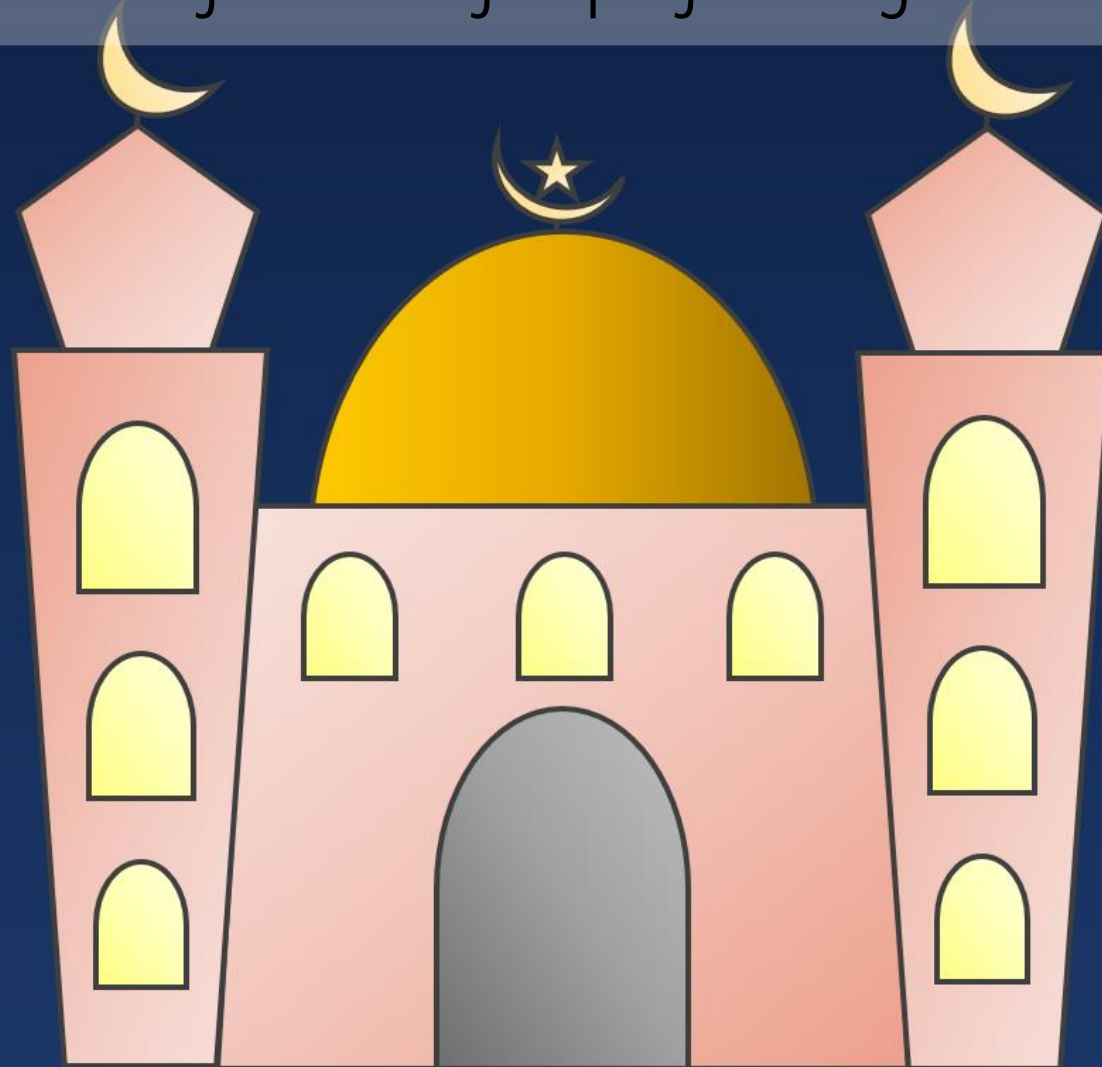
Sadaqah means to give charity to the poor, whilst Zakah is one of The Five Pillars of Islam and must be performed by adult Muslims. The reward for Sadaqah and Zakah is increased by 70 during Ramadan. We should try and collect some money to distribute to the poor during this blessed month.

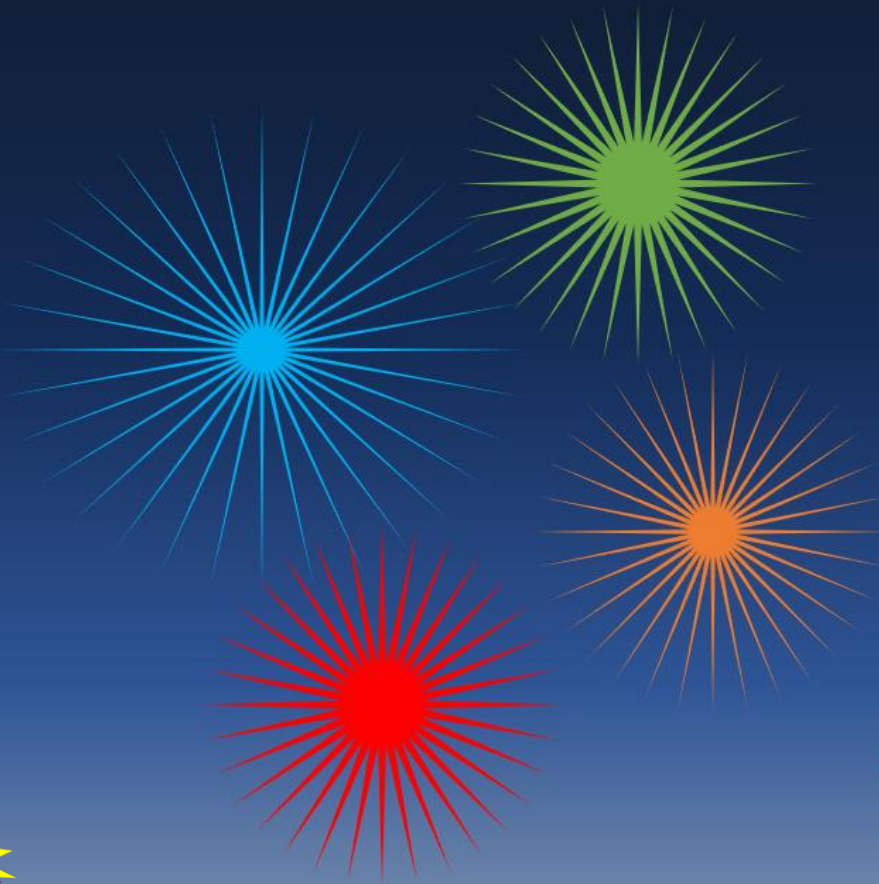
Ramadan is not just about fasting. During this month, we can start forming good habits and performing more good deeds. This can be: praying Qur'an, performing Dhikr, helping your parents and visiting the sick. We should also stay away from bad things such as: using foul language, hurting someone, losing your temper, or wasting time.





During Ramadan, Muslims do I'tikaaf, usually in the Masjid. This means to spend time in worship and not talk about worldly things such as, books, movies or gossiping. There is lots of reward for performing I'tikaaf.

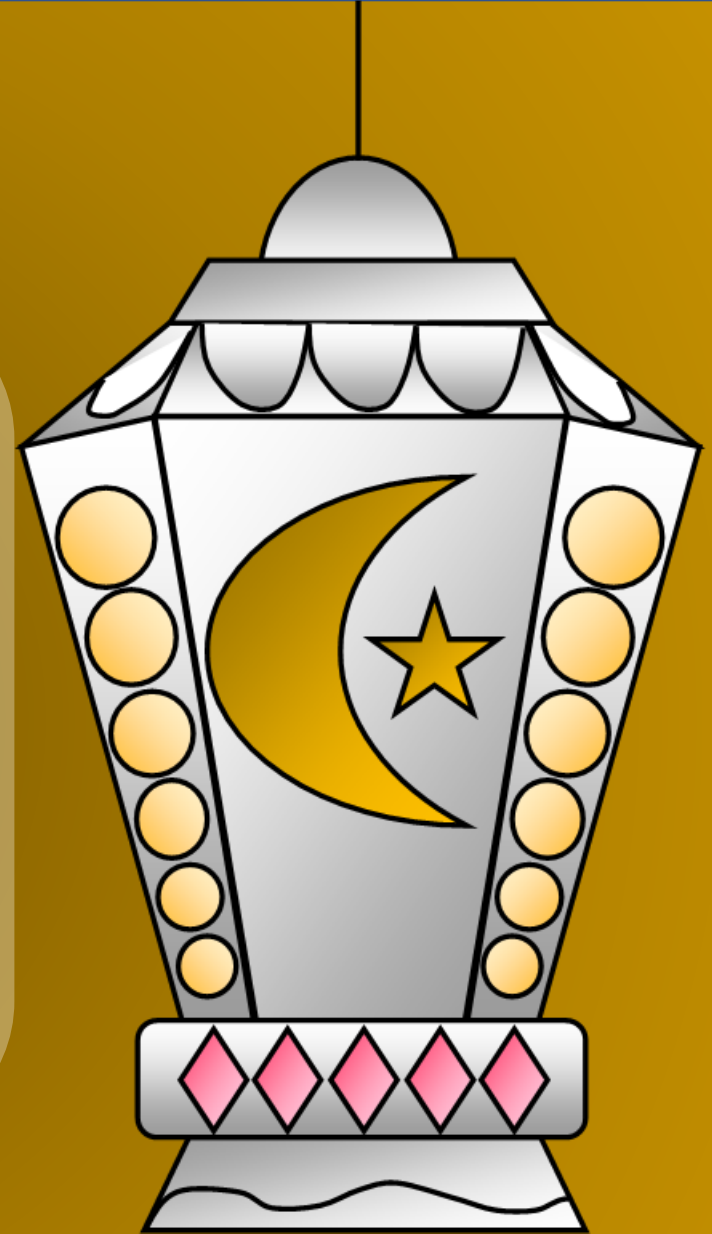




Shawwal is the month after Ramadan. When the moon of Shawwal is sighted, it signals the end of Ramadan. There is a special festival called Eid-ul-Fitr after this blessed month. Muslims all around the world celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr.

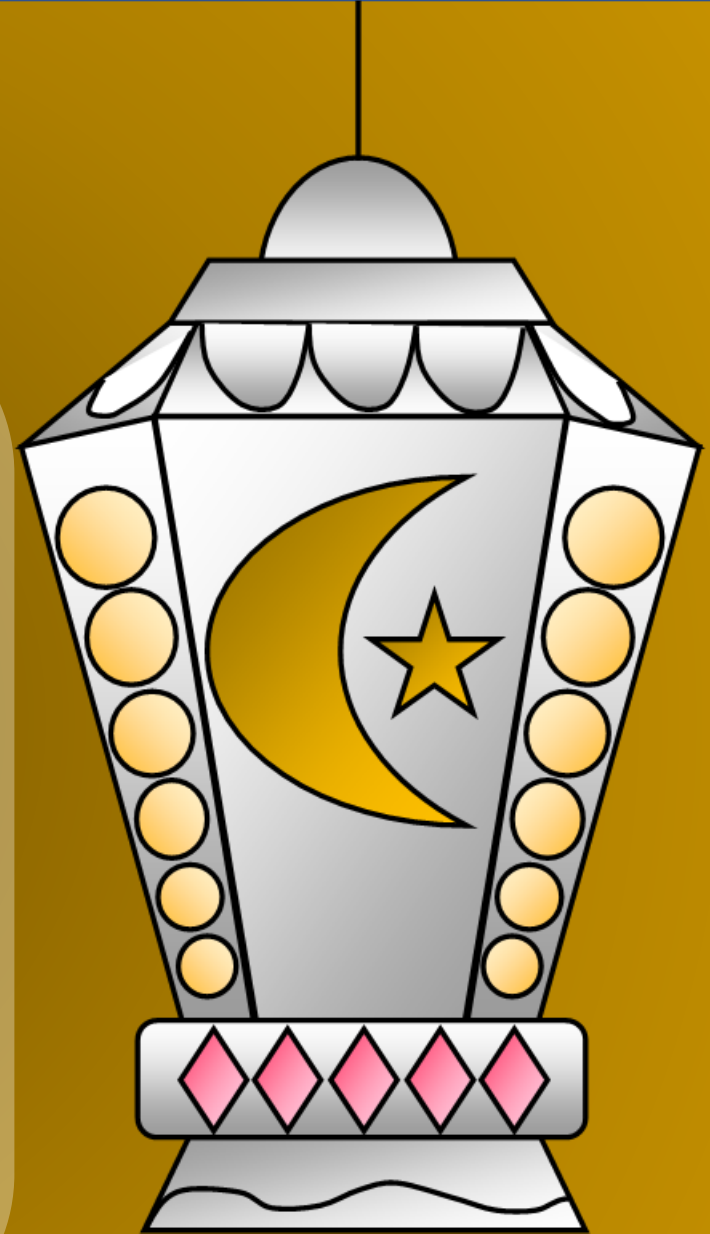


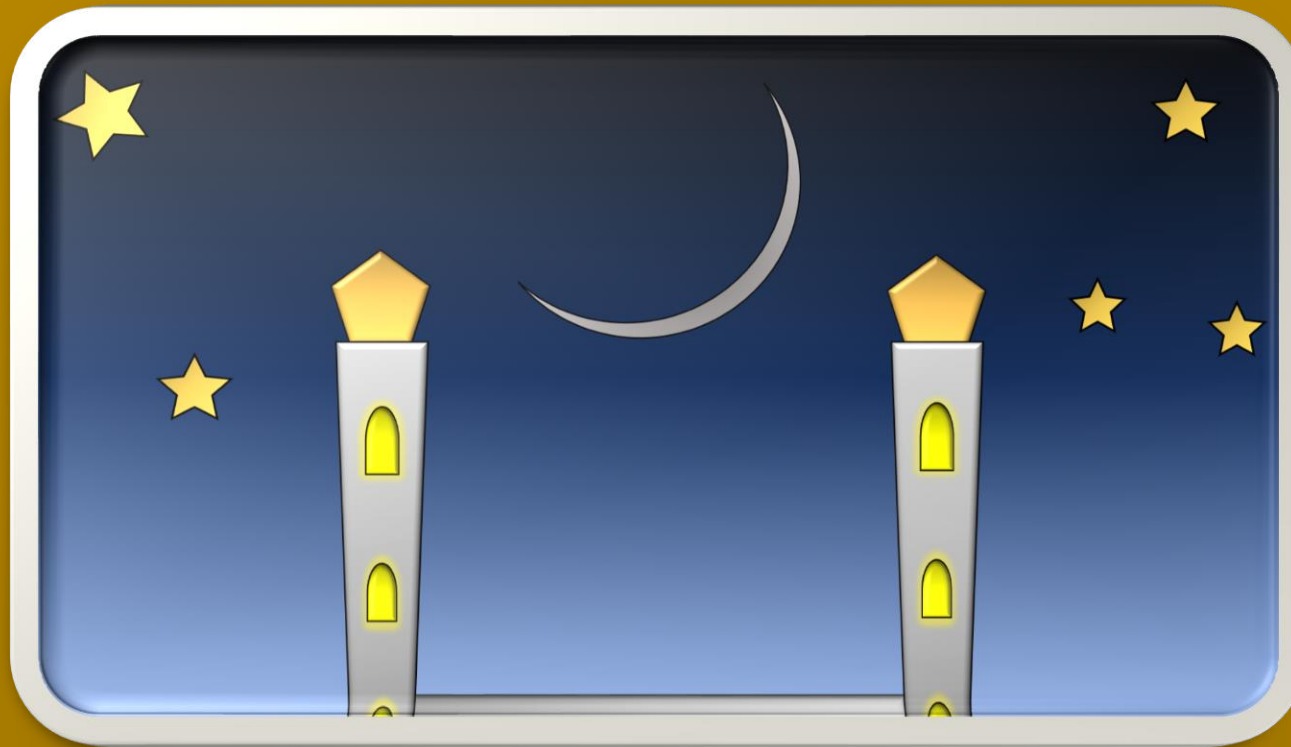
QUIZ  
TIME!





Question:  
How many  
days are there  
in Ramadan?



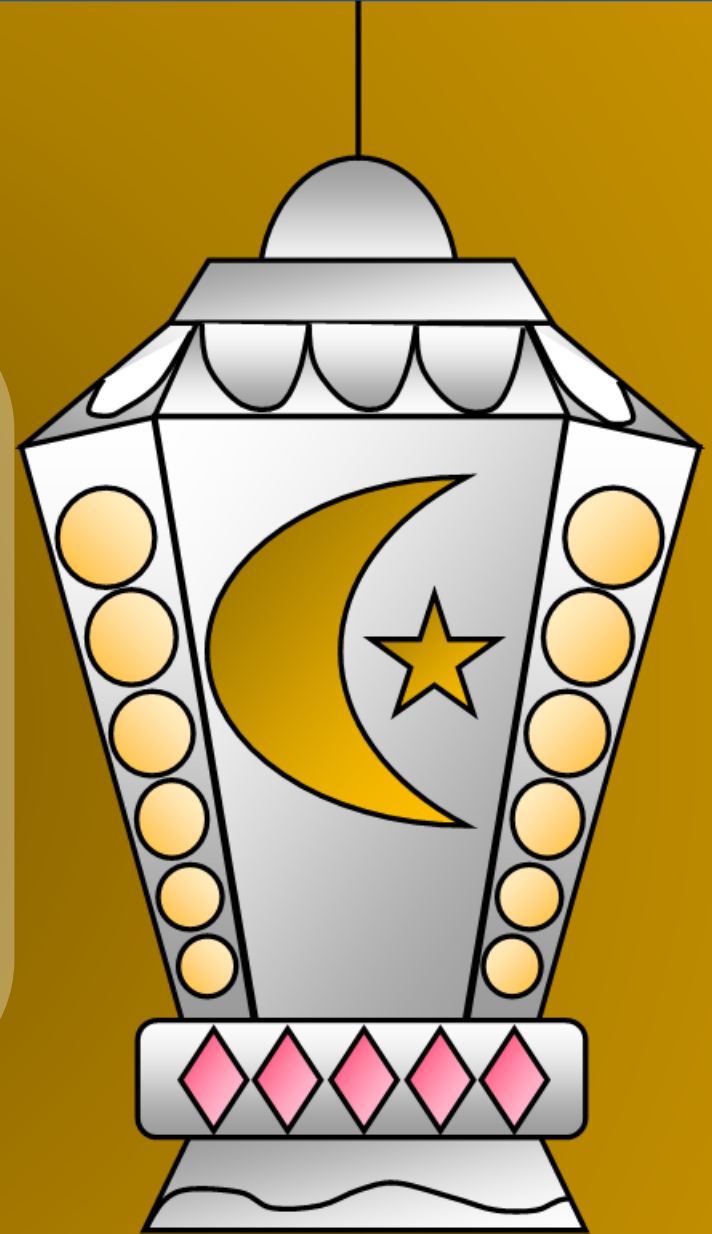


Answer:

29 or 30 days



Question:  
What does  
fasting mean?





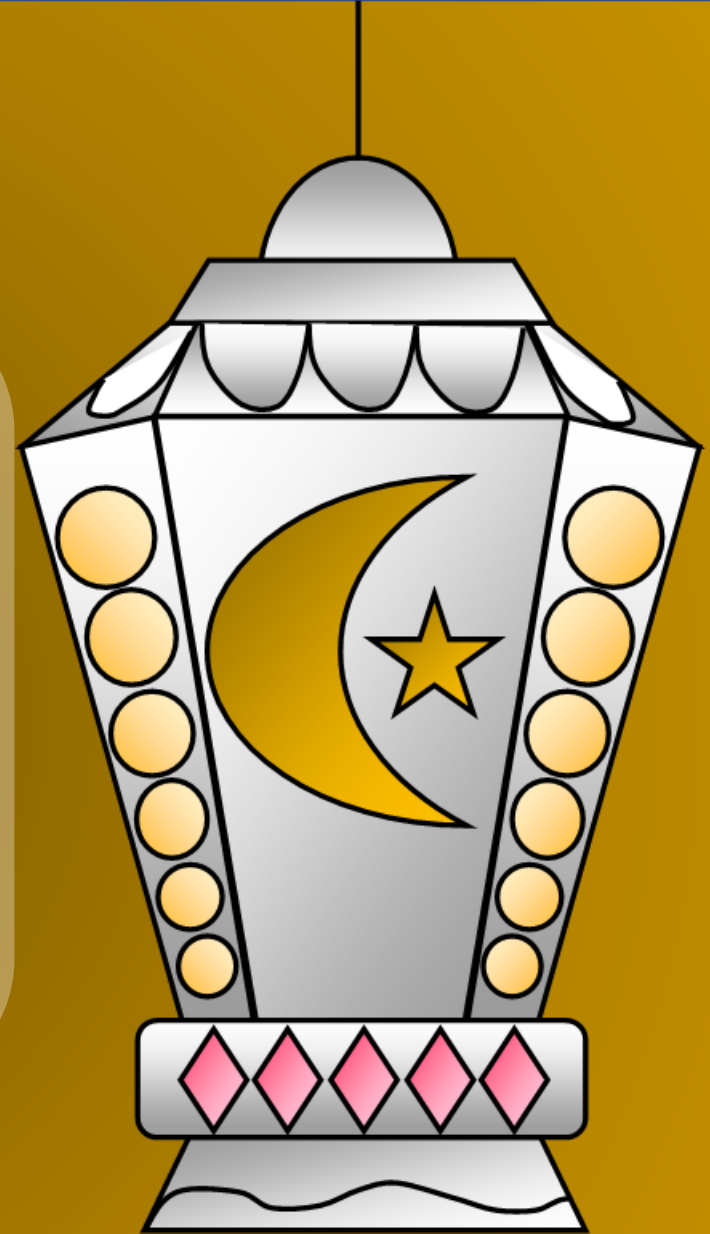


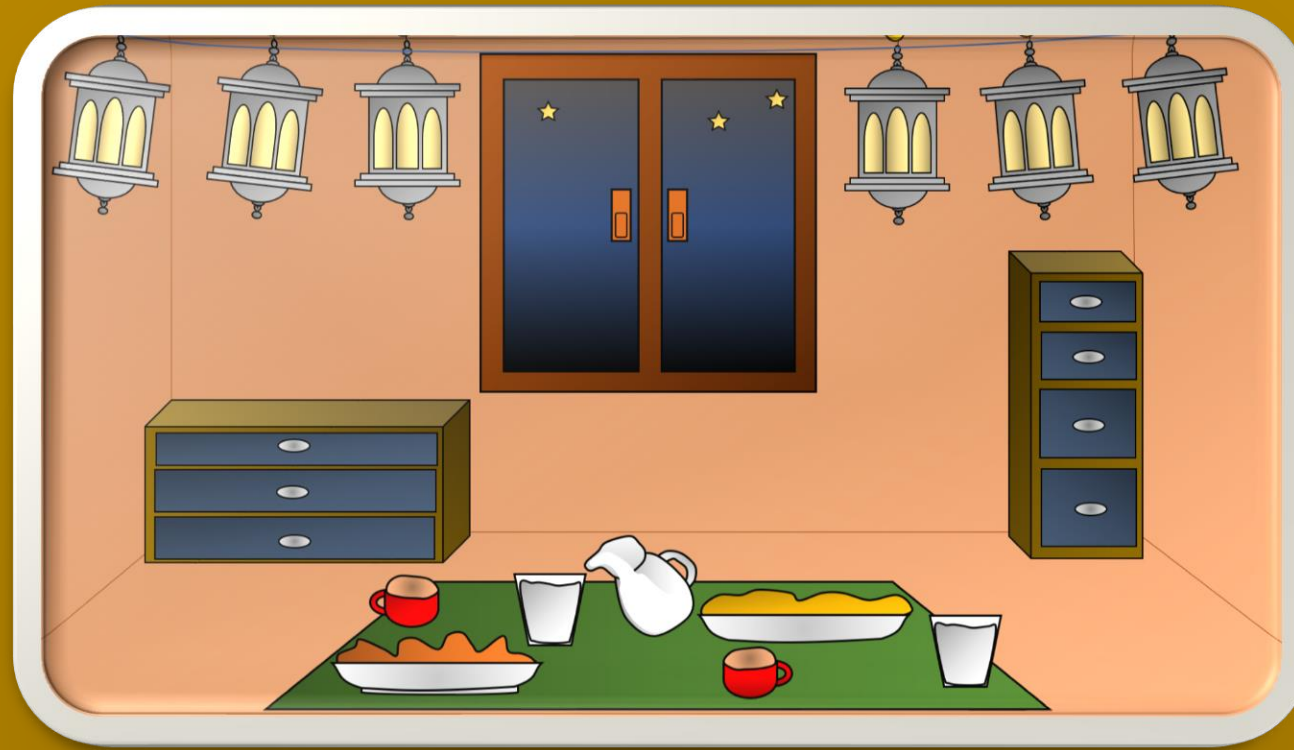
Answer:

Fasting means to not eat or drink from dawn until sunset.



Question:  
When does  
Suhoor end?



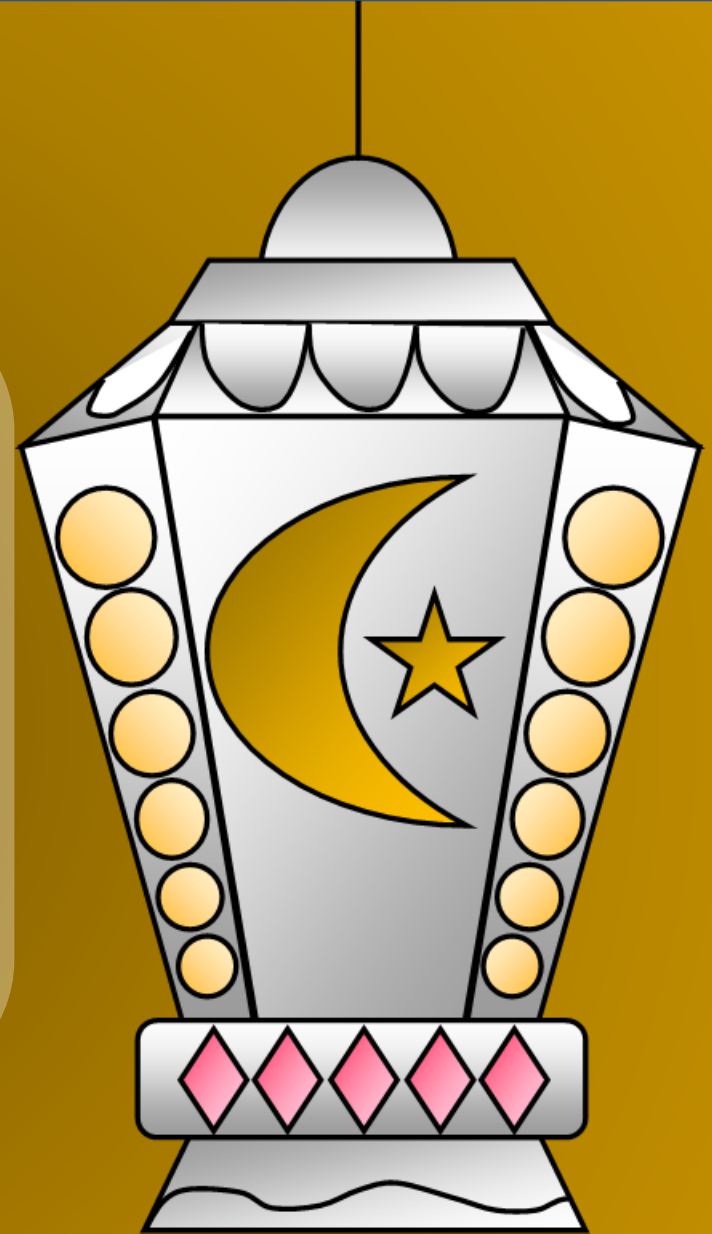


Answer:

Suhoor takes place before Fajr and ends before dawn.



Question:  
When can we  
open our fast?







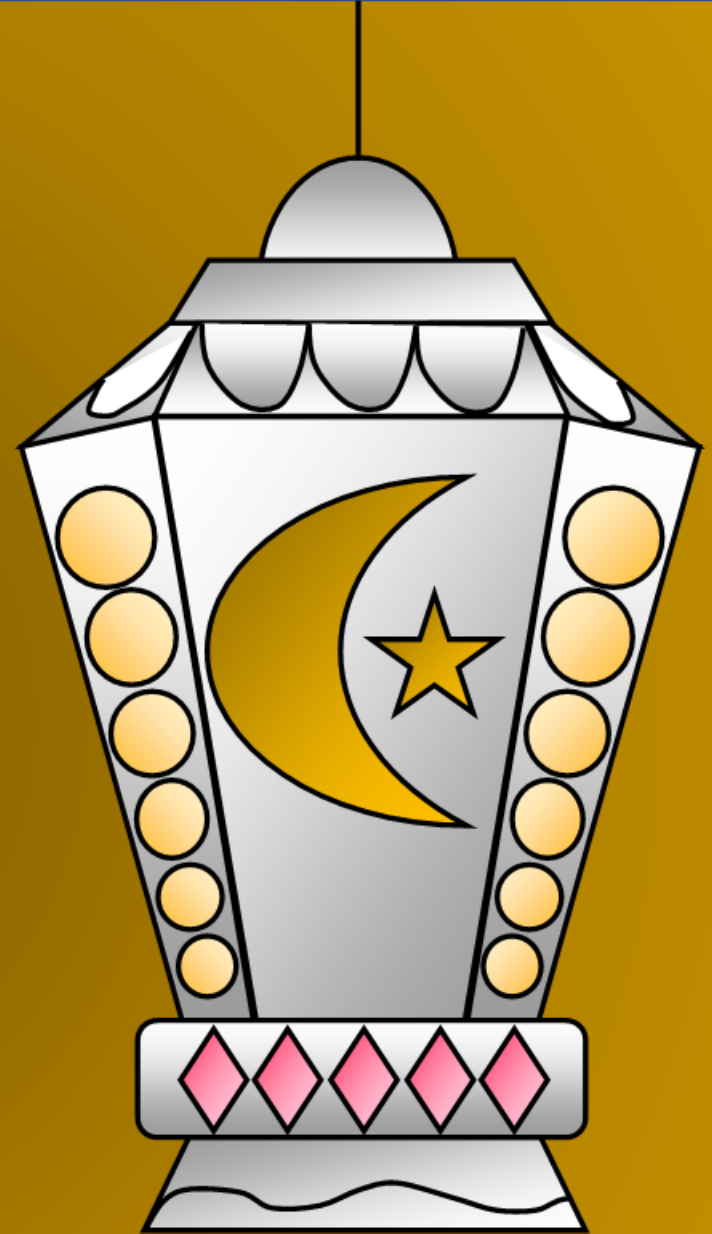
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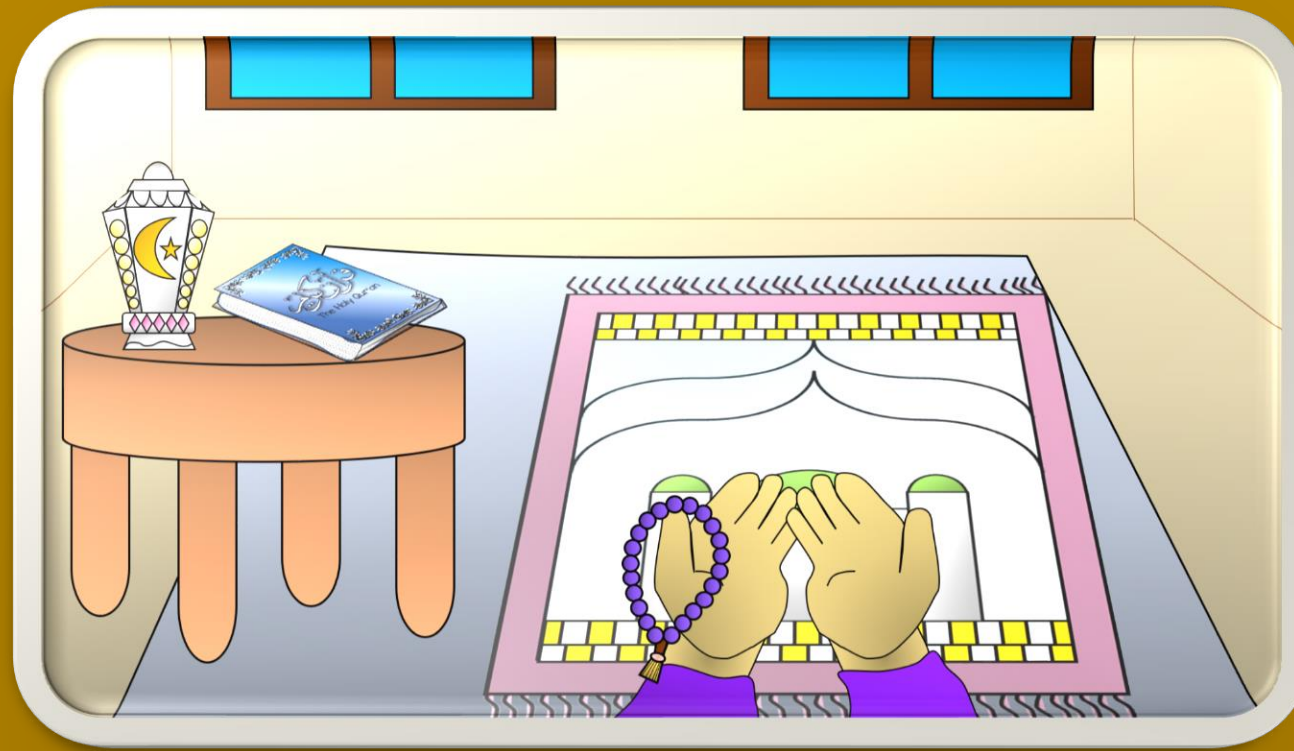
We can open our fast when the sun sets and the Adhan for Maghrib Salah is called.



**Question:**

Why is Ramadan called the Month of The Qur'an?



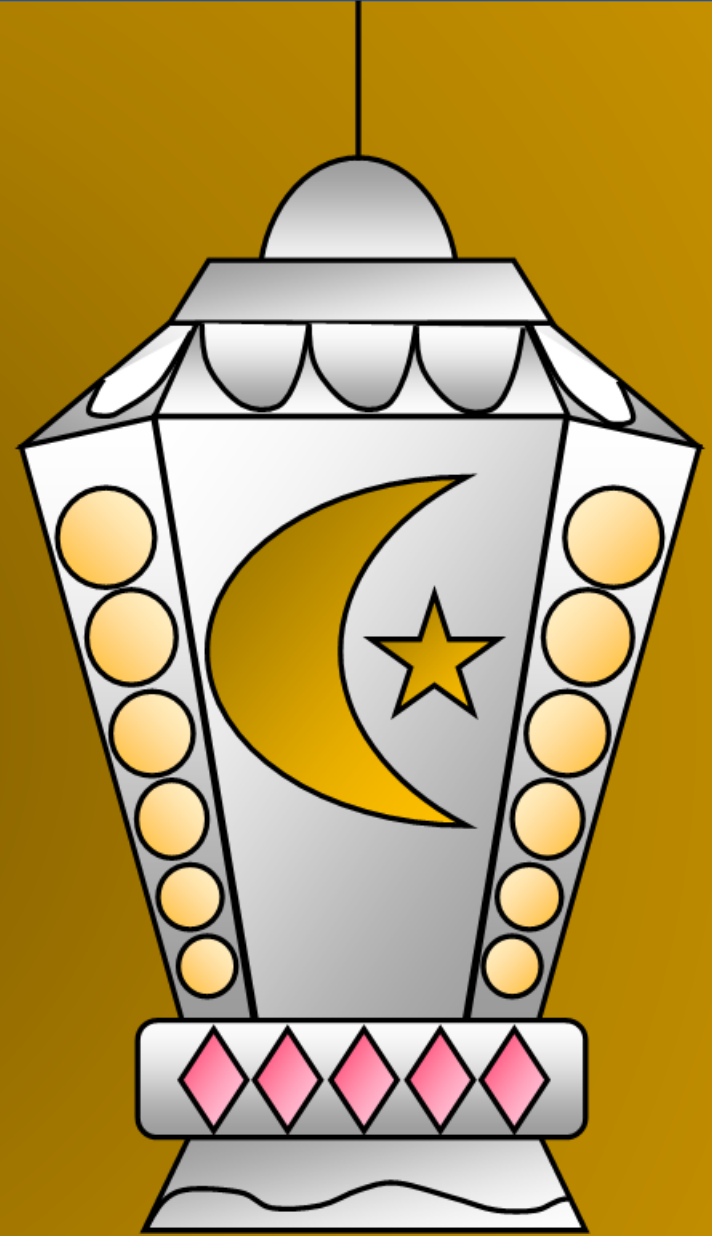


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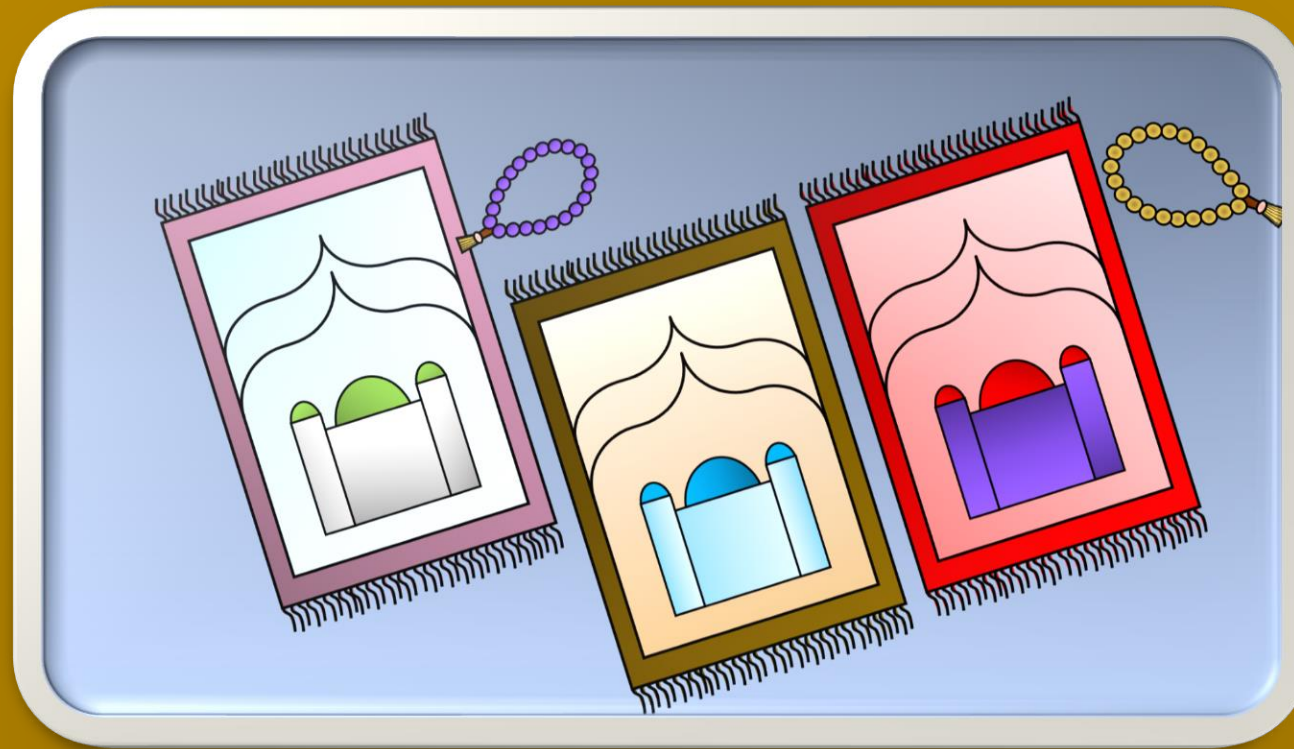
Angel Jibra'eel was sent down with the first verses of the Qur'an during this month.



**Question:**  
What special  
Salah do we  
pray in  
Ramadan?





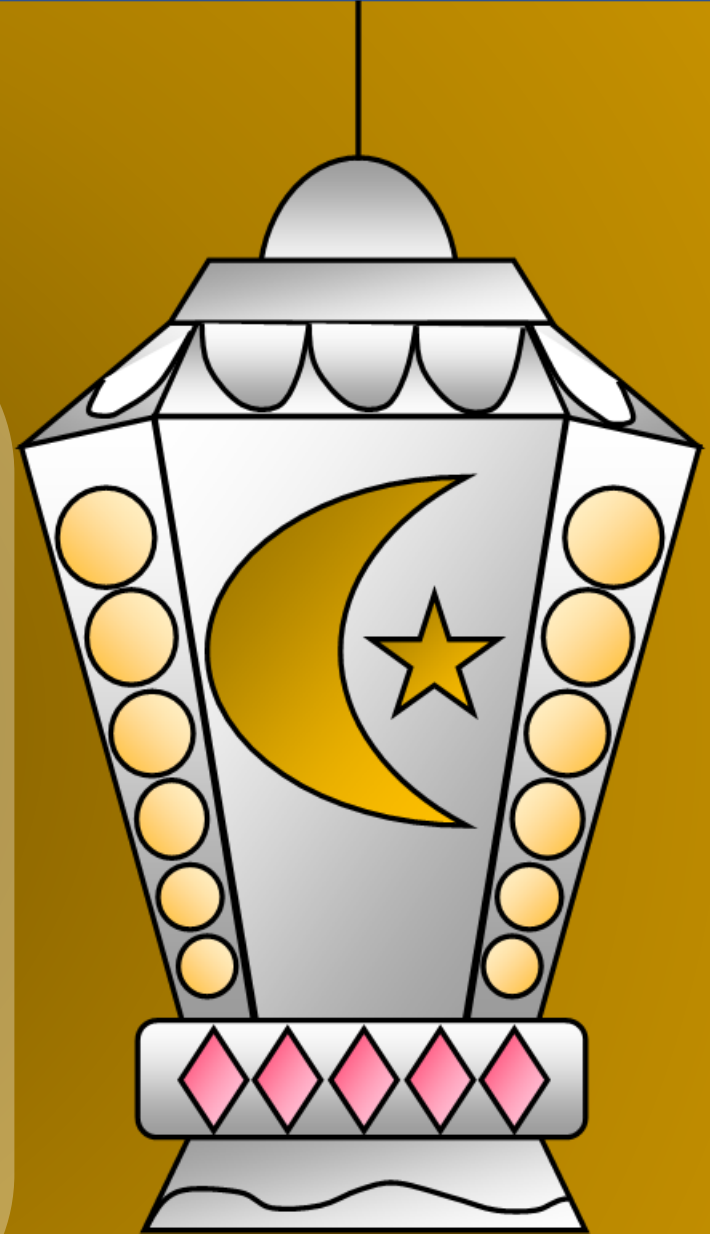


**Answer:**

We pray Taraweeh Salah in  
Ramadan.



Question:  
What is  
Laylatul Qadr  
better than?





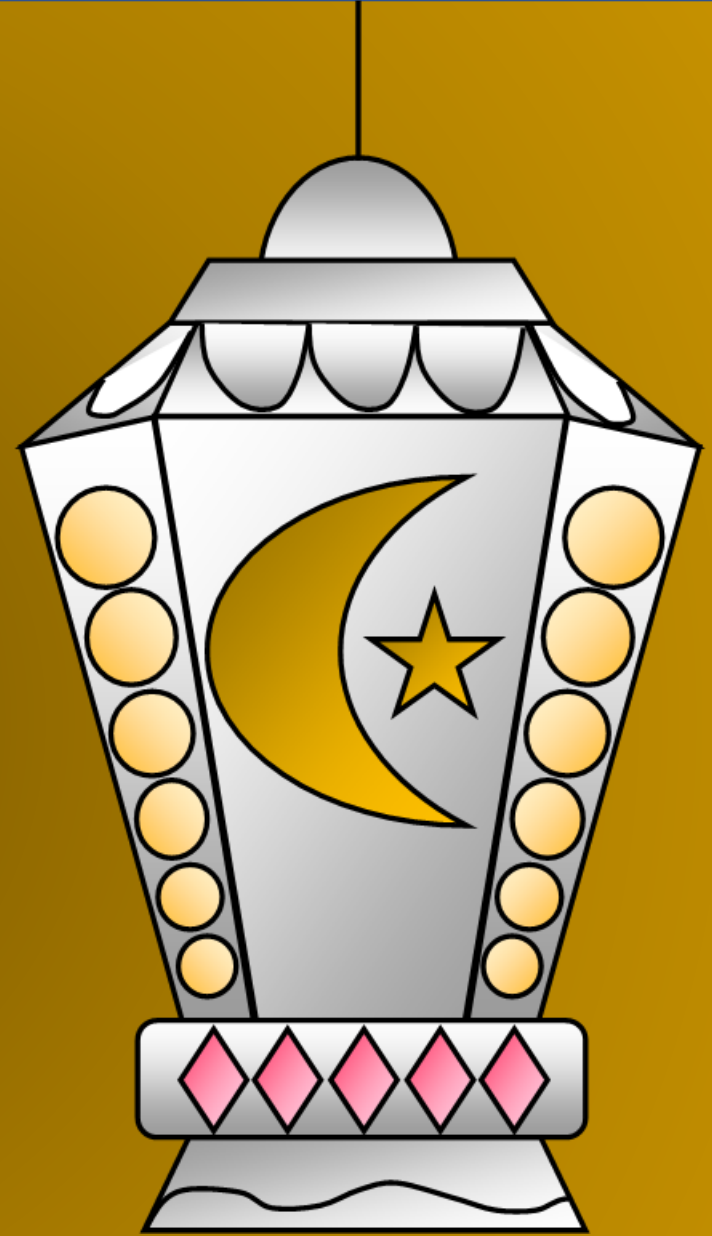
Answer:

Laylatul Qadr is better than a thousand months.



Question:

When is it one  
of the best  
times to make  
dua?







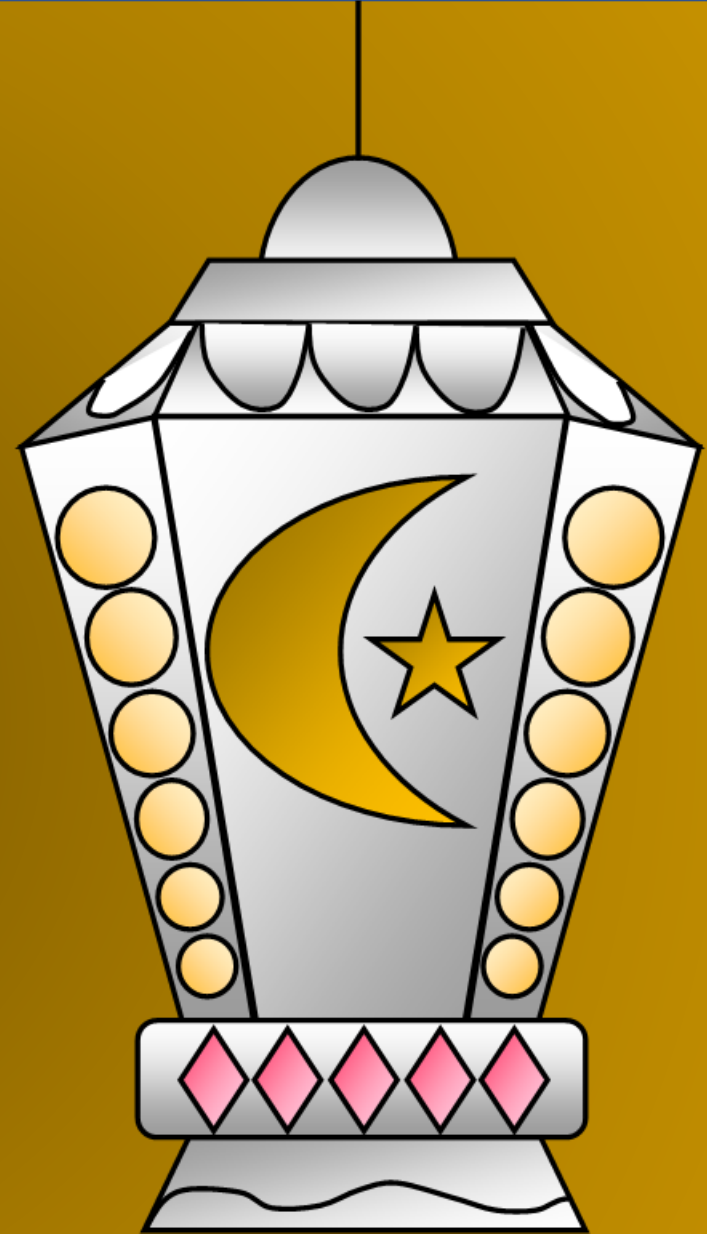
**Answer:**

One of the best times to make Dua is before opening your fast, as Allah does not reject it.



**Question:**

How much is the  
reward for  
Sadaqah and  
Zakah increased in  
Ramadan?





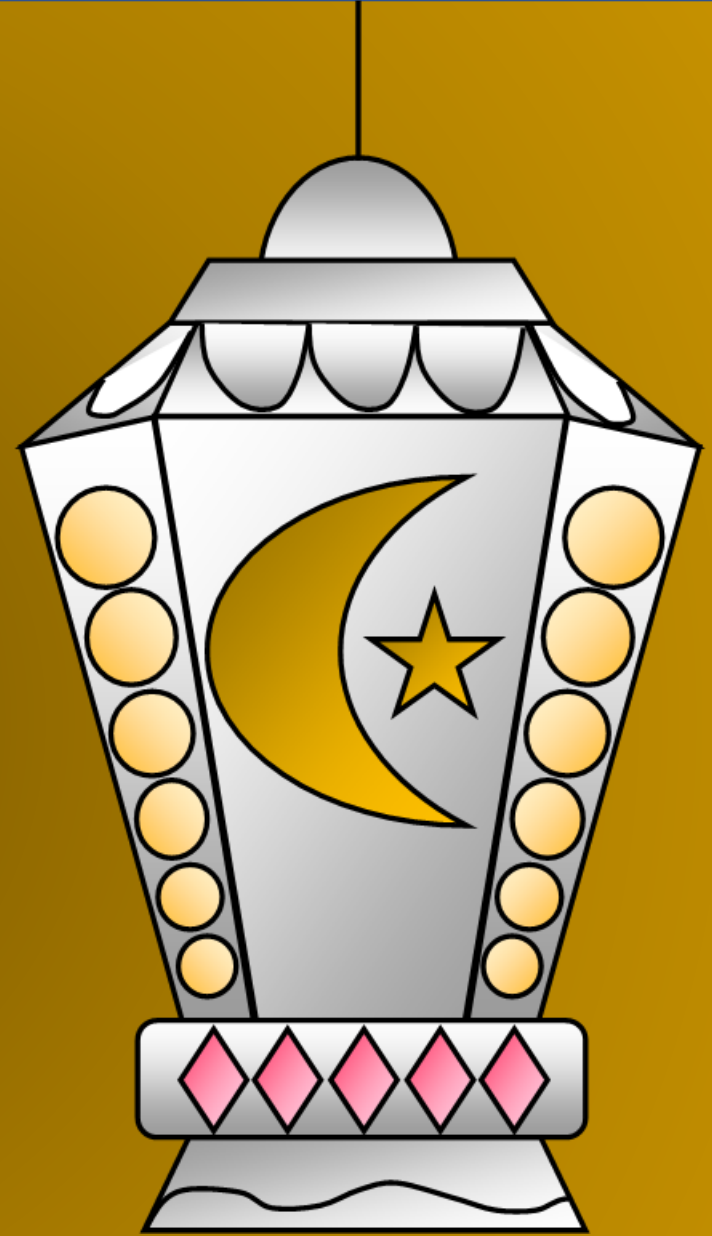
**Answer:**

The reward for Sadaqah and Zakah is increased by 70 during Ramadan.

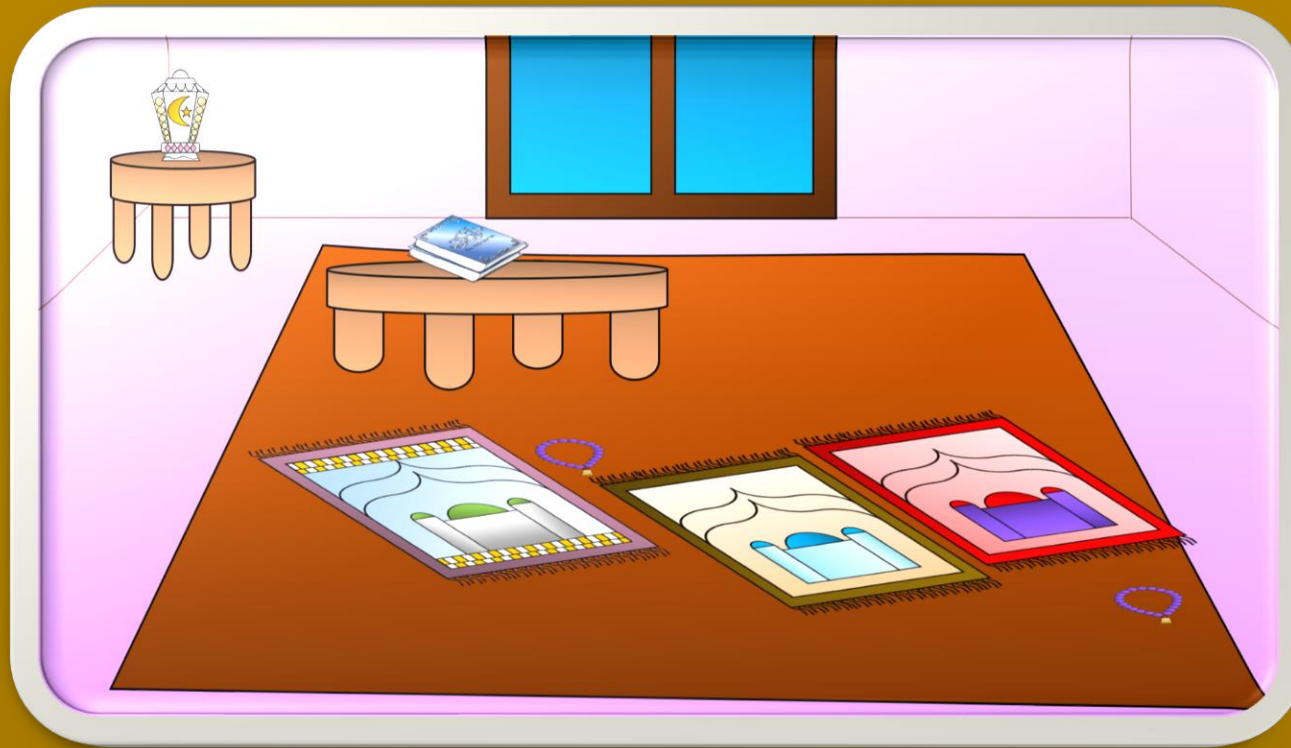


Question:

What are some  
good deeds we  
can do in  
Ramadan?





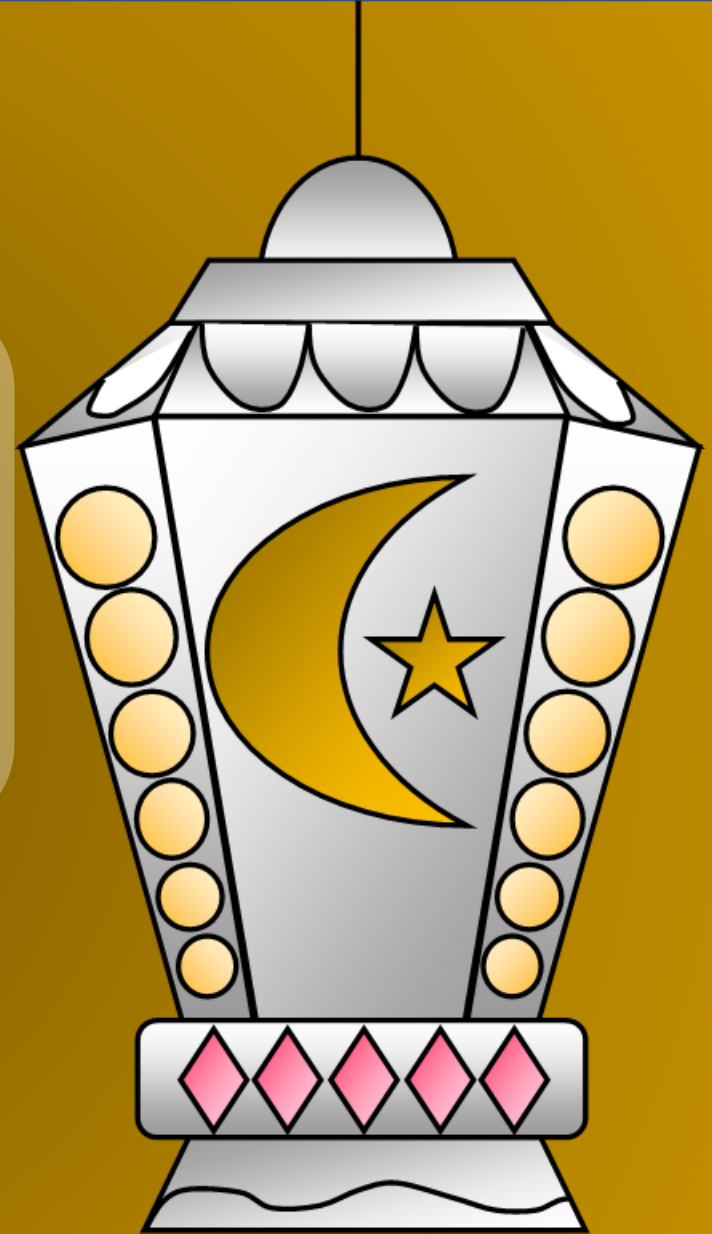


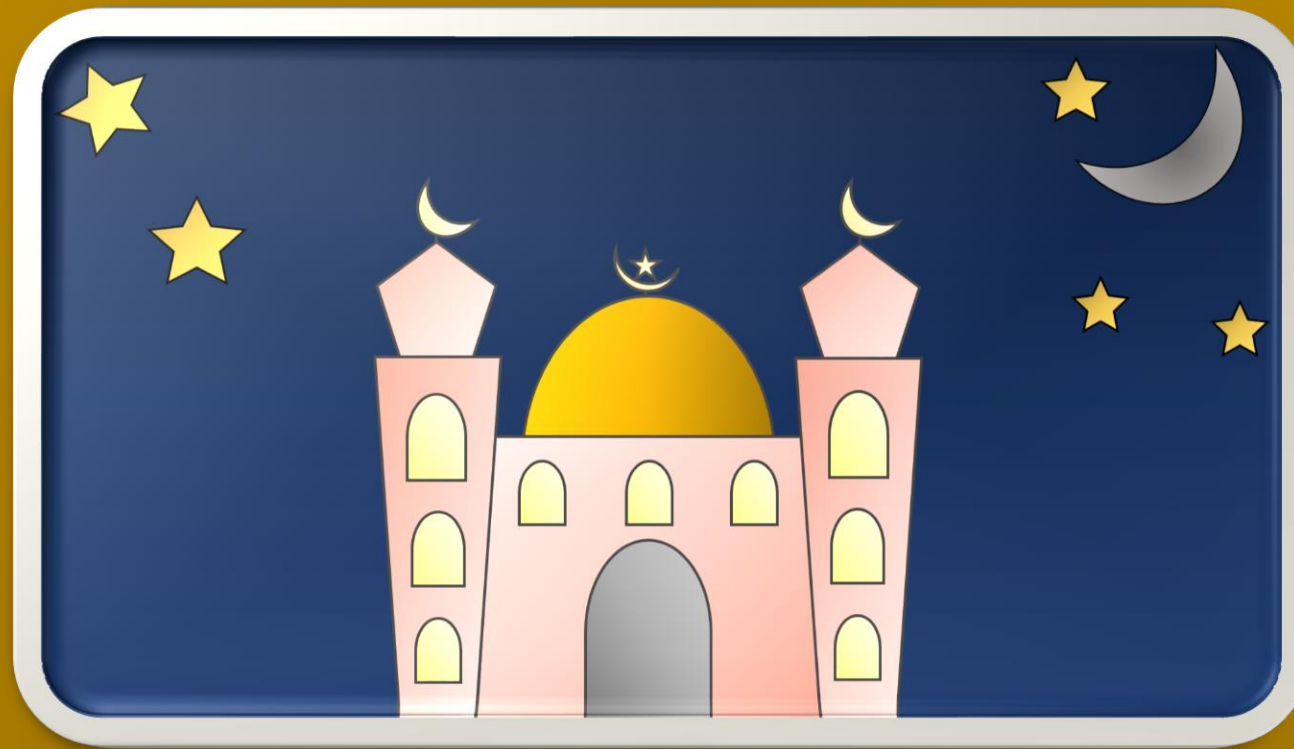
**Answer:**

Praying Qur'an, performing Dhikr, helping your parents and visiting the sick.



Question:  
What is I'tikaaf?



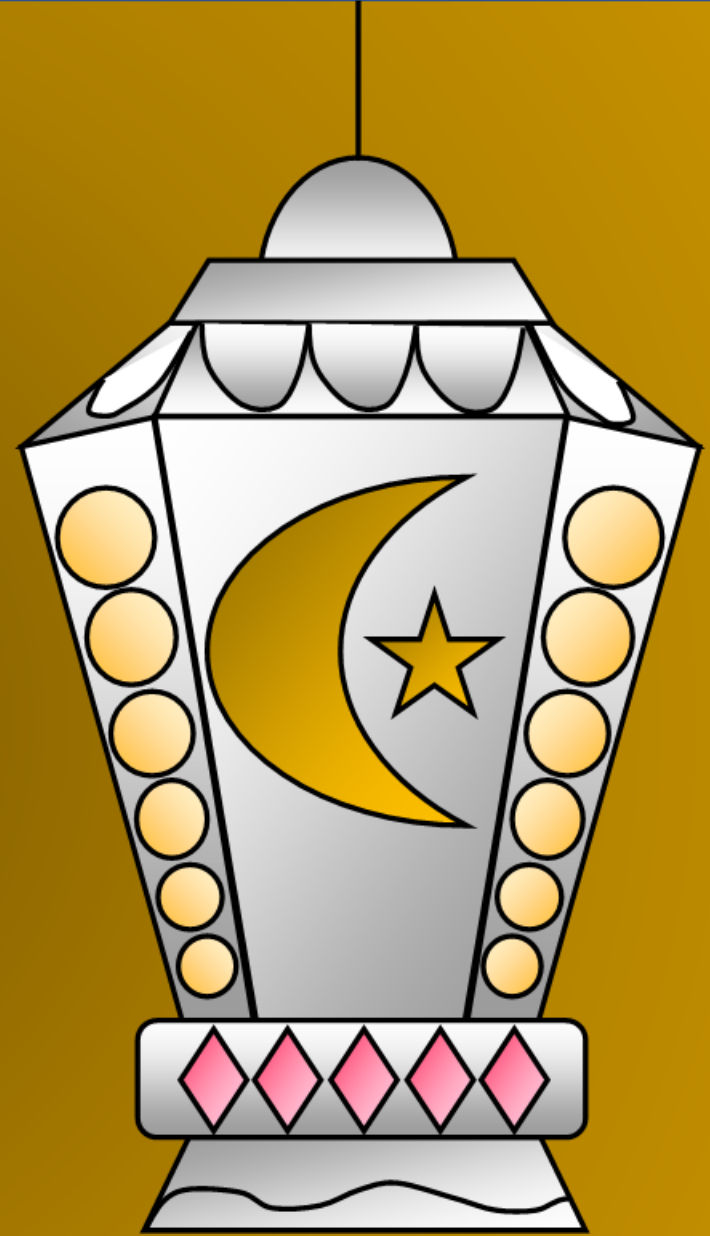


**Answer:**

I'tikaaf means to spend time in worship and is usually takes place in the Masjid.



**Question:**  
Which festival  
is celebrated  
after  
Ramadan?





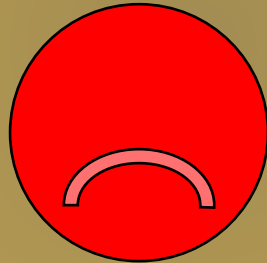
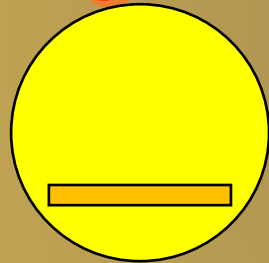
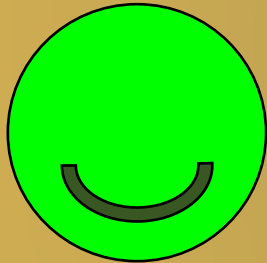


**Answer:**

Eid-ul Fitr is celebrated after  
Ramadan.



Well done!  
You've finished.



How did you do?

