

# What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?


## Key Vocabulary:

Five Pillars	The five basic ritual or devotional duties of Sunni Muslims, namely: <u>Shahada</u> a declaration of faith in God; <u>salat</u> , five daily prayers; <u>sawm</u> , fasting; zakat, almsgiving; and hajj, pilgrimage to Mecca.
Hajj	A Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca, which takes place in the last month of the year and which all Muslims are expected to make at least once during their lifetime if they can afford to do so. It is one of the Five Pillars of Islam.
Hadith	A statement, action or approval attributed to the Prophet of Islam, Muhammad (PBUH).
Eid-ul-Fitr	Is also known as the "Festival of Breaking the Fast", is a religious holiday celebrated by Muslims worldwide that marks the end of Ramadan.
Tawhid	Arabic for "declaring one god". Muslims believe that there is only one God.
Qur'an (Koran)	The Islamic sacred book, believed to be the word of God as dictated to Muhammad by the archangel Gabriel in 610. It was written down in Arabic.

### Key Beliefs






- Muslims believe there is only one God (Allah).
- They believe Allah is the only ruler of the universe.
- Islam means submission and obedience to Allah.
- Muslims believe that the prophet MOHAMMAD is the Messenger of ALLAH
- the qur'an is Allah's message.

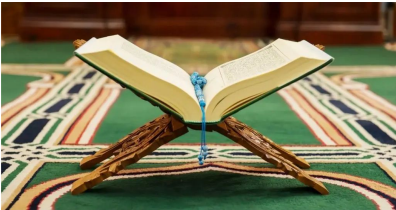
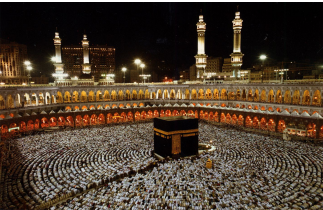
MOHAMMAD IS SO HIGHLY RESPECTED BY MUSLIMS THAT THEY SAY 'PEACE BE UPON HIM' (PBUH) AFTER HIS NAME IS SPOKEN.



### Five Pillars of Islam

Muslims must perform these duties to show submission to Allah

Shahadah	Salah	Zakat	Sawm	Hajj
				
A declaration of faith: "There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is his messenger."	Pray facing Mecca five times a day: dawn, noon, afternoon, evening and night.	It is a Muslim's duty to give 2.5% of their income to the poor/needily.	During the holy month of Ramadan, Muslims cannot eat or drink from dawn to dusk.	If possible, Muslims must go on a pilgrimage to Mecca, once in their life.



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