

This week follows on from last looking at the Islamic month of Ramadan. You may wish to re-watch the clip to recall information covered.

Ramadan

The month of Ramadan (the ninth month in the Islamic calendar) has special religious significance. In this month every adult Muslim fasts from dawn until sunset. Watch the short film below to remind yourself about Ramadan.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/ramadan-and-eidulfitr/zdv7pg8>

My Ramadan is....

"Ramadan is fine for me this year. Last year, when I was 10, it was much harder. The time passes quickly at school. We pray to God for forgiveness for the sins we've done, so that is the spiritual benefit. We go to the mosque at special times, so that is the community benefit. It feels weird at the end, because we're used to it, and then suddenly we stop and CELEBRATE EID!" Naila, 11.

"I first kept the fast when I was 11. I felt good about it. It makes you a better person. Because I've kept it since I was seven, it's easy for me now, except when I smell something good that is cooking. During Ramadan, we can't lie, we can't swear, we can't talk about someone behind their back and we can't fight. If we can, we do all good deeds." Siara, 14

"Food is not everything! I'd like people to know that our religion tells us to put others before yourself and to help and feed the less fortunate. The Qur'an was fully completed and sent down to earth in this holy month. Ramadan is the best example of how our religion shows us not to be selfish but considerate." Anisa, 13

Ramadan is important because...

Now you have learnt lots about Ramadan try and write a paragraph, using your visual diary from last week, showing what you know about daily routines and the celebration of Eid at the end! Perhaps you could write it as a diary entry?

I think that Ramadan is important to Muslims because
