

Important Notes for the Educator

- The PowerPoints are **animated** so please use the PPT version if possible.
- Keep the **competition** active throughout the four sessions. There is a slide in the first session with instructions.
- Recite the passage/ayah aloud and encourage learners to recite after you OR ask learners to recite an ayah each.
- Encourage learners to memorise Surah Qaf and its translation. Reward them for successful completion.
- There are **speaker notes** under each slide. Read the notes before delivering the session.
- Please thoroughly read the **free PDF** 'A Journey through Surah Qaf' in addition to reading tafsir books and lectures of this surah.
- Feel free to adjust this PPT to your learners' needs.
- **[A] in the PPT = Active learning.** This can be done orally, in writing, on mini-whiteboards (MWB), classroom board, through discussion; alone, in pairs, groups etc, and through other methods. Try to use a variety of methods within each session. These can all contribute to the competition score.
- LWA is not responsible for external links.
- If you benefit from this resource, please remember the project in your du'as. Your feedback to improve the resources is highly appreciated.



Welcome Back!



What is one thing you cannot live without?

سورة قاف

The Final Clue: Heart First

Surah Qaf: Session 4

Session Objectives

- 01 Identify the requirements of connecting to the Qur'ān
- 02 Apply sabr to real-life scenarios
- 03 Explore how the Qur'ān is the best reminder
- 04 Recite and reflect upon verses 36-45 of Surah Qāf

Articulate

- One pass allowed
- 30 seconds
- Can't say 'begins with/rhymes with'

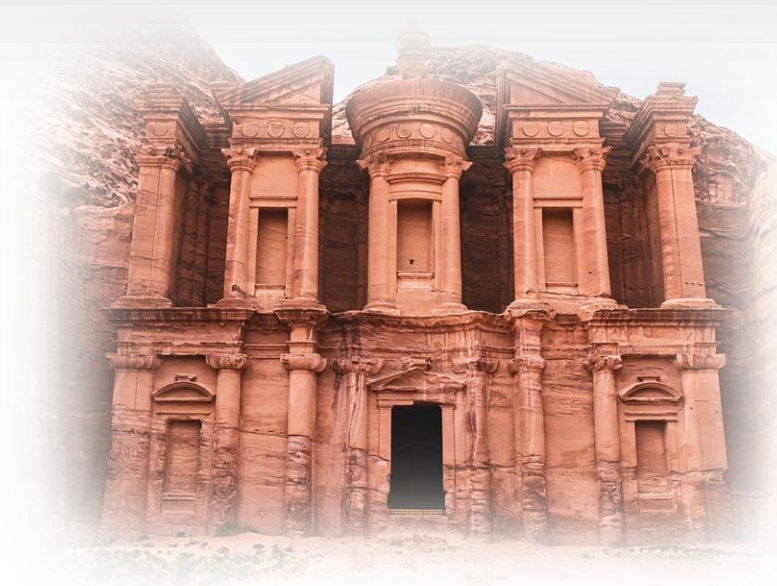


Learn From The Past

- Tall and physically very powerful + built many lofty strong and mighty buildings
They roamed the lands to search for rizq
- Message to the polytheists + anyone who comes after and thinks their wealth/power will protect them.
- [A] Which āyah in this sūrah contained a similar message?

وَكَمْ أَهْلَكْنَا قَبْلَهُمْ مِّنْ قَرْنٍ هُمْ أَشَدُّ مِنْهُمْ بَطْشًا فَنَقَّبُوا فِي الْبِلَادِ هَلْ مِن مَّجِيسٍ ﴿٣٦﴾

We have destroyed even mightier generations before these disbelievers, who travelled through [many] lands- was there any escape?



If You Want to Benefit...

- 'This':
 - (1) Destruction of previous nations
 - (2) Previous āyāt of this sūrah
- [A] What are the 3 conditions of benefitting from this reminder?

1. Their hearts are alive and healthy

2. They direct their sense of hearing completely to the One who is speaking
(أَلْقَى السَّمْعَ)

3. Their hearts and minds must be present (شَهِيدٌ) during the experience

إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَذِكْرٍ لِمَنْ كَانَ لَهُ قَلْبٌ أَوْ أَلْقَى السَّمْعَ وَهُوَ شَهِيدٌ ﴿٣٧﴾

There truly is a reminder in this for whoever has a heart, whoever listens attentively.

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Reciting the Qur'an properly means engaging the tongue, mind, and heart together. The tongue recites with precision, the mind reflects on the meaning, and the heart responds with sincerity and eagerness to act upon it.”

The All-Powerful

- Not even an ounce of fatigue.
- Rejects the belief of the people of the book who believe that God took a day of rest.
- The creation of the universe posed no difficulty to Allah. Re-doing something is even easier than doing it the first time.

وَلَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضَ وَمَا بَيْنَهُمَا فِي
سِتَّةِ أَيَّامٍ وَمَا مَسَّنَا مِنْ لُغُوبٍ ﴿٣٨﴾

We created the heavens, the earth, and everything between, in six Days without tiring.

The Remedy

- Sabr is crucial in the believer's life.
- Sabr is active: steadfastness, self-control, patience.
- Dhikr is another powerful weapon.
- Remember Allah and pray ṣalah at these times.

فَأَصْبِرْ عَلَىٰ مَا يَقُولُونَ وَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ قَبْلَ
طُلُوعِ الشَّمْسِ وَقَبْلَ الْغُرُوبِ ﴿٣٩﴾ وَمِنَ اللَّيْلِ
فَسَبِّحْهُ وَأَدْبَرَ السُّجُودِ ﴿٤٠﴾

So [Prophet], bear everything they say with patience; celebrate the praise of your Lord before the rising and setting of the sun; proclaim His praise in the night and at the end of every prayer;

Do You Know What Sabr Is?

There are 3 types of şabr:

1) Şabr in obeying Allah.

Your alarm goes off for Fajr, but you're exhausted.

(2) Şabr in staying away from sins.

Your friends are pressuring you to gossip.

(3) Şabr in regards to the trials Allah has decreed.

You fail an important exam despite studying hard.



How Can You Practise Sabr?

How can you respond?

1. It's 9 AM and you're finally enjoying your sleep-in. Suddenly, your mum calls from the kitchen: "Wake up, I need your help with cleaning today!"

You're annoyed, thinking, *But it's my holiday!*

2. You're walking to the shop. A passerby walks past and sniggeringly says, 'Paki!'

3. You're getting ready to go out when you realise your sibling took your favourite shoes without asking—and now they're dirty!

4. You're scrolling through your feed when you come across a post from someone in your friend group clearly talking bad about you.

The Mighty Blast

- The closest places to people so that the call reaches everyone equally, at the same time.
- [A] In which verse in this surah has the blast already been mentioned?

وَأَسْتَمِعُ يَوْمَ يُنَادِ الْمُنَادِ مِنْ مَّكَانٍ قَرِيبٍ
{٤١} يَوْمَ يَسْمَعُونَ الصَّيْحَةَ بِالْحَقِّ ذَلِكَ يَوْمُ
الْخُرُوجِ {٤٢}

listen out for the Day when the caller will call from a nearby place. They will come out [from their graves] on that Day, the Day when they hear the mighty blast in reality.



An Easy Gathering

- Repeated emphasis: 'we'
- Never forget your ultimate destination
- Everything is easy for Allah

إِنَّا نَحْنُ نُحْيِي وَنُمِيتُ وَإِلَيْنَا الْمَصِيرُ ﴿٤٣﴾
يَوْمَ تَشَقُّ الْأَرْضُ عَنْهُمْ سِرَاعًا ذَلِكِ حَشْرٌ
عَلَيْنَا يَسِيرٌ ﴿٤٤﴾

It is We who give life and death; the final return will be to Us on the Day when the earth will be torn apart, letting them rush out- that gathering will be easy for Us.





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Life is a journey to Allah—every step
takes you closer to the Final Day.
Stay on the right path.

The Best Reminder

- Comforting the Messenger
- Prophet's role is only to convey the message, not to force belief.
- Guidance comes from Allah Alone. Our role is to share the truth.
- The Qur'ān is the **best reminder** – constantly turn to it and reflect on it.
- [A] What do you notice about the beginning and ending of this sūrah?

نَحْنُ أَعْلَمُ بِمَا يَقُولُونَ وَمَا أَنْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ بِجَبَّارٍ
فَذَكِّرْ بِالْقُرْآنِ مَنْ يَخَافُ وَعِيدِ ﴿٤٥﴾

We know best what the disbelievers say. You [Prophet] are not there to force them, so remind, with this Quran, those who fear My warning.



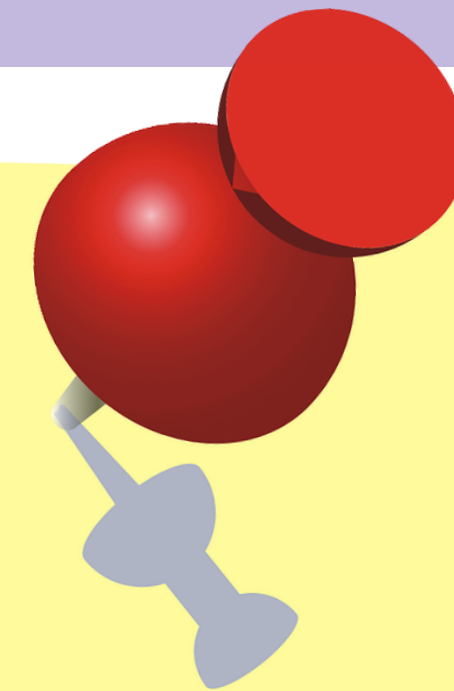


How Will You Convey?

- In your groups, design an advert for why everyone (Muslims and non-Muslim) needs the Qur'an.
- You will be assessed on both the design and content.
- Less is more!



Plenary



What did Sūrah Qāf teach you about what you need to do different in your life?

For Next Ramadan inshaAllah

- Stay connected to Surah Qāf by reciting it in your ṣalāh.
- Recite calmly, beautifully and reflect on it.

سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ
وَبِحَمْدِكَ، أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا
إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ، أَسْتَغْفِرُكَ
وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْكَ

The End

Additional Activities

- 1) Quiz based on lessons from Sūrah Qāf
- 2) Vocabulary quiz