

# Ramadan Handwriting

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# All about Ramadan

Ramadan is the ninth month of the

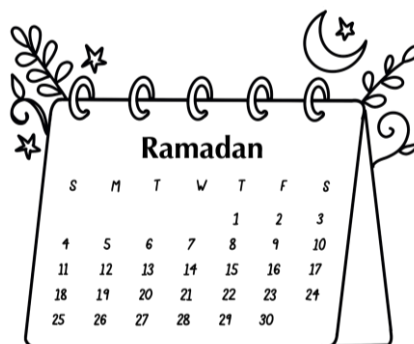
Islamic calendar. It is a very

special month because Allah first

revealed the Quran in this month.

Allah says in the Quran: "The

month of Ramadan is that in which



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guidance and criterion”

(Surah Baqarah, Ayah 185).

The month of Ramadan begins

when the new crescent moon is

sighted. In some countries Muslims



sight the moon a day before, or a day after other countries, which is why Muslims may begin Ramadan on different days.

On the day the moon is sighted,

Muslims pray Taraweeh that same night and fast the next day.

Muslims eat Suhoor, an early

morning meal. Suhoor is a Sunnah,

which means it is something the

Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w) did.

Eating healthy and fibre-rich food

gives us energy through the day

and makes our fast easier.

In Ramadan the reward for doing

a good deed is increased. It is

easier to do a good deed as

Shaitan is locked away.

Many Muslims who want to get lots

of good deeds, spend their days

and nights worshipping Allah.

There are so many ways to

worship Allah and earn good deeds.

For example, praying salah, reading

Taraweeh, reading and listening to

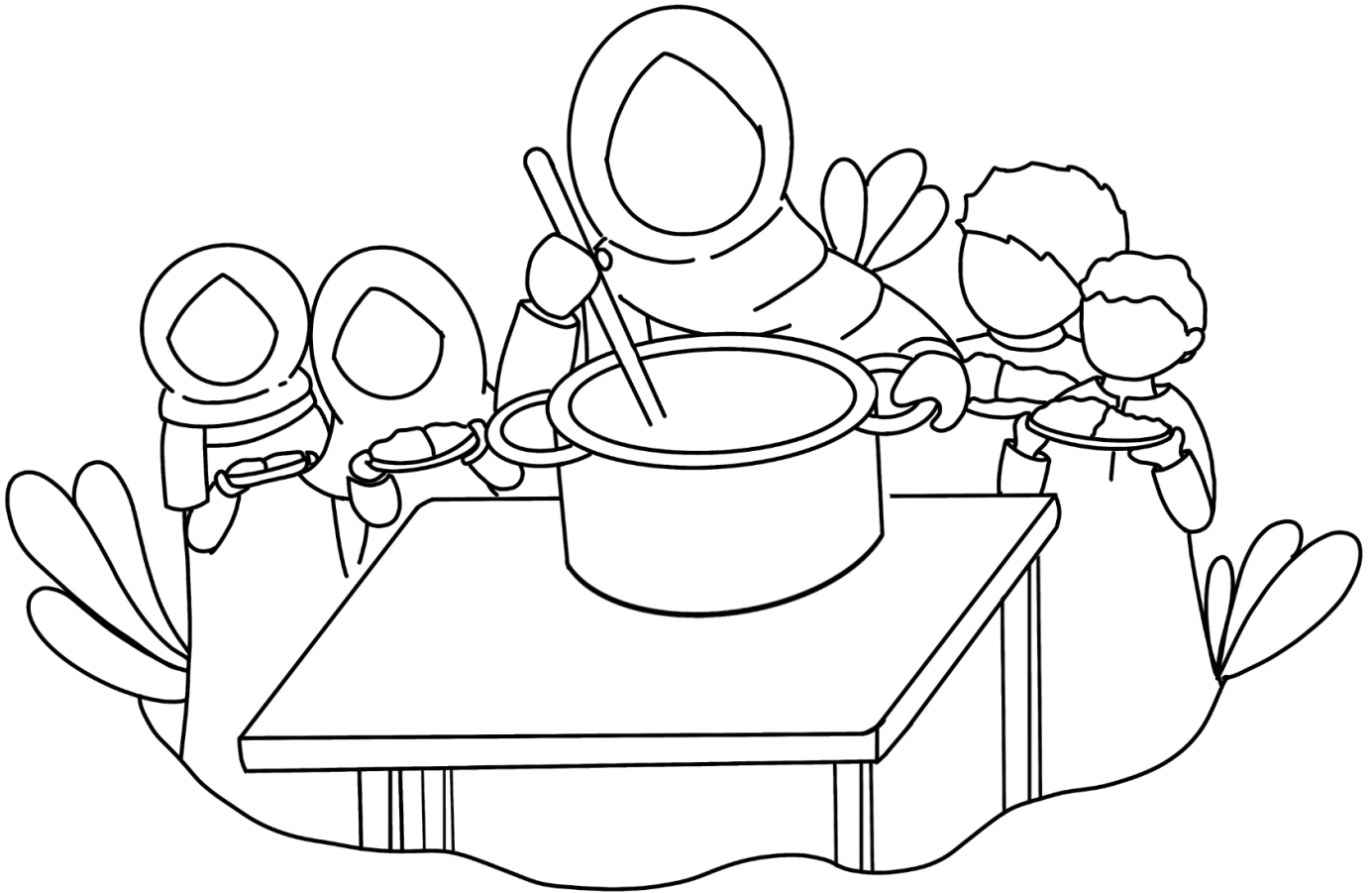
Quran, feeding the poor and giving

charity. Good deeds such as

helping your parents, tidy up

and being kind to everyone around

you are also very important.





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Muslims. Children, ill people and old

people do not need to fast.

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either, but they have to make up

their missed fast later. If someone

is too ill to fast, then they need to

feed a poor person for 30 days.

We fast firstly because it is a

command from Allah and one of

the five pillars of Islam.

Allah states in the Quran: 'Fasting

is prescribed for you as it was

prescribed for those before you

so that you may become pious

(Surah Al-Baqarah, Ayah 183).

Fasting has many benefits.

Firstly, fasting helps us become

more thankful to Allah. This is

because when we give up eating

and drinking we realise how

blessed we are. Secondly, fasting

helps us stay away from bad

deeds.

It is easier to stay away from

Haram when we give up things that

are Halal for Allah's sake. Fasting

also trains us to do more good

deeds and to stay away from bad

deeds. This means that after

Ramadan, doing good deeds will

become easier Insha'Allah.

As Muslims, we should copy and  
compete with other people to do  
good deeds. Just doing good deeds  
in Ramadan isn't enough. If we  
want our Ramadan habits to last,  
we should work every day to be  
better and do better than the day  
before.

Another benefit of fasting in

Ramadan is that it increases our

awareness of Allah. This is know

as Taqwa. When a person has

Taqwa, they don't do anything to

make Allah unhappy. In fact, they

work hard to make Allah happy.

The person that has Taqwa always

knows that Allah is always

watching them. They know that

they should be trying to do more

good deeds and they know they

must stay away from bad deeds.

People who have Taqwa are called

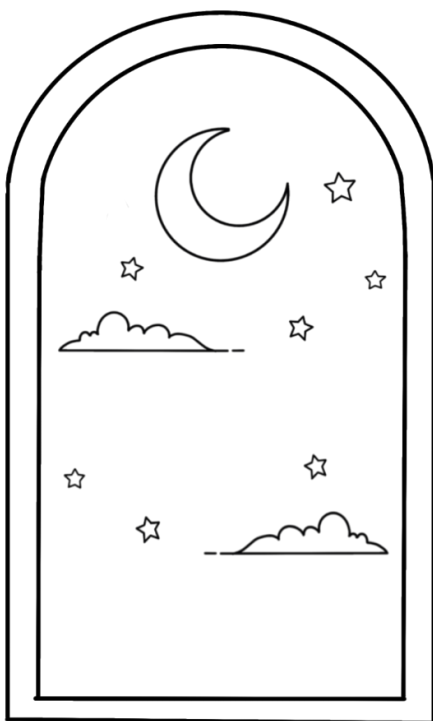
Al-Mutaqoon. Allah has promised

these people Jannah and to

be counted from the Al-Mutaqoon

is something we should all try to

achieve.





Fasting is not just about staying

away from food and drink. Fasting

is about treating other people

well and showing good manners.

The Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w)

said: "Fasting is a shield. So the

fasting person should avoid

obscene speech and should not

behave foolishly and ignorantly.

And if someone fights with him, or

insults him, he should tell him

twice: 'I am fasting.' ”

This means that we should not

argue with anyone or use foul

language as kindness costs nothing

and is an easy good deed.

Fasting in Ramadan has lots of  
rewards. One of the main rewards  
of fasting is that all your previous  
sins will be forgiven. Fasting  
protects you from Jahannam-the  
fire of hell. Fasting is also loved  
by Allah.

The Prophet Muhammad (s.a.w)

said: 'He who fasts has two joys: a

joy when he breaks his fast and a

joy when he meets his Lord.' This

means that when a person breaks

their fast and eats after so many

hours and takes the first sip of

water, that person feels very

happy. Allah has also promised us a

great reward for fasting. This

reward will also make us very

happy and we will receive it when

we see Allah. Another special

reward for fasting is that if

someone always fasts in Ramadan

and also does some extra optional

fasts outside Ramadan, they will

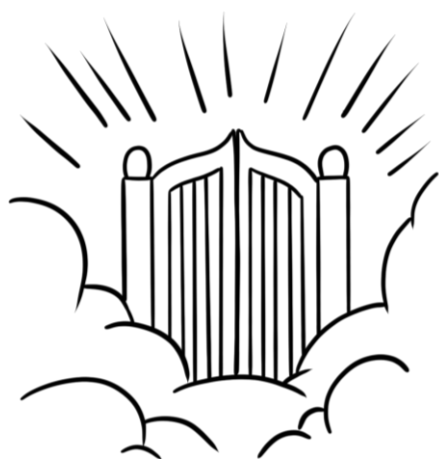
get to enter Jannah through a

special gate called Ar-Rayyan.

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fasted in this world and no one

else will be able to enter it.



In the last 10 days of Ramadan,

there is a special night called

Laylatul-Qadr. This means the

night of power. Laylatul-Qadr is a

special night because it is equal in

reward to 1000 months. This

means that if you prayed Salah

on Laylatul-Qadr, then you get the

reward of praying for 1000

months! The night of power can be

found in one of the last odd nights

within the last 10 days of Ramadan

Many Muslims stay awake at night

and do good deeds so that they

can gain the reward of Laylatul-

Qadr.



After Muslims sight the new

crescent moon for Eid, this means

that Ramadan is over and the next

month, Shawwal has begun.

This Eid is known as Eid-ul-Fitr.

A sunnah of Eid-ul-Fitr is to take

a shower (Ghusl) before leaving

for Eid prayer.

Another Sunnah is to eat

something before leaving for Eid

prayer. The Prophet Muhammad

(s.a.w) would eat a date before

leaving his house. It is also a

sunnah to wear some perfume and

recite the Takbeer on the way to

the Masjid.

Zakah-al-fitr is the charity that

every Muslim gives at the end of

Ramadan. This charity is for the

most needy in the world and it is

given at the end of Ramadan so

that all Muslims can have

something to eat on Eid and so

that they too can celebrate with

their families. If every rich or

well off person gave Zakah, there

would be no poor person left on

the Earth!



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