



# Level 7: Iman and History

## Course Description:

Allah the Most High, through his infinite mercy and wisdom has made the deen of Islam easy to learn and understand. This great blessing of Allah, can be appreciated by the student having a thorough understanding of the Pillars of Islam and the Pillars of Iman. It is important that the student recognize the primary difference between these sets of pillars: The Pillars of Islam focus on the apparent actions of a Muslim, i.e. his or her apparent deeds, while the Pillars of Imaan focus on the beliefs of a Muslim. This subject delves into more advanced subjects pertaining to the 6 pillars of Iman, specifically teaching students:

- The lessons that can be learned from the story of Prophets Dawood and Suleyman, peace and blessings be upon them.
- The Islamic understanding of death and the realities of the Day of Judgment.

This subject also furthers the students knowledge of Islamic history by presenting to the students the spread of Islam throughout Arabia culminating in the conquest of Makkah.

## Required Course Materials:

### Textbooks

*Learning Islam 2* Islamic Services Foundation ISBN: 1-933301-41-9

## A Note To Parents:

Often the most accurate predictor of a student's achievement in the MCNJ Sunday School is the extent to which the student's family, especially parents, are able to:

- Serve as role models for their children by implementing Islamic teachings in the home.
- Create a home environment that encourages learning.
- Communicate high, yet reasonable, expectations for their children's achievement that communicate the importance of their Islamic education.
- Become involved in their children's education at school.

To live and practice Islam properly, learners must enjoy an Islamic environment around them. Parents, siblings, family members, friends, teachers, peers, TV, etc. are important elements of such environment. Home (especially parents) and school must cooperate to provide such an Islamic environment to help the student practice and live Islam. Please be engaged in your child's education at the school. It is your duty to teach your children Islam. We here at the school are only here to aid you in discharging this responsibility.

## Grading Policies:

### Grading Scale

Final grade will be based on the following scale:

Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage	Grade	Percentage
A+	100-97	A	96-93	A-	90-92
B+	87-89	B	83-86	B-	80-82
C+	77-79	C	73-76	C-	70-72
D+	67-69	D	63-66	D-	60-62

# Areas of Assessment:

Final course grade will be based upon the following categories of assessments:

- Homework 20%
- Classroom Participation and Attendance 10%
- Two End Of Semester Examinations 70%

## Academic Integrity

In addition to good academic performance, students should exhibit honesty and integrity. If there is any question that academic honesty and integrity are not honored, students may be required to redo assignments in the presence of an instructor-selected monitor. Proof of dishonesty, including plagiarism, will make students subject to disciplinary action. Please see the MCNJ School Guidelines for more information.

## Course Outline:

The course outline for this subject is below. Parents will be notified by the school administration what units and chapters will be covered in the end-of-term examinations.

### Unit A: Allah's Message and Messengers

This unit continues the students study of the pillars of Iman by introducing students to the Prophets Dawood and Suleyman, peace and blessings be upon them. It also introduces the student to the Muslimah Queen Bilqees, may Allah be pleased with her.

Chapter Name	Student Objectives
Chapter 1: Prophets of Islam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recall the six pillars of Iman, and recognize belief in Prophets as one pillar of faith.</li><li>• Identify and learn about Prophets and Messengers in Islam.</li><li>• Know the names of all the 25 prophets mentioned in the Qur'an.</li><li>• Explore the duties of a prophet and a messenger.</li><li>• Identify the main message of all prophets.</li><li>• Learn about some of the miracles that Allah gave to our prophets.</li><li>• Identify the last and final prophet.</li><li>• Know the following vocabulary terms: Nabiy, Anbiyaa, Rasool, Rusol.</li></ul>
Chapter 2: Prophets are the best of mankind.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Learn about the main characteristics of prophets and appreciate them.</li><li>• Learn about some of the miracles the prophets brought with them.</li><li>• Learn how we should respect our prophets.</li><li>• Understand verse 285 of Surat-ul-Baqarah and its relationship to the topic of this chapter.</li><li>• Know the following vocabulary terms: Kaleemullah</li></ul>
Chapter 3: The Messengers and their message	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Define the names of Allah that only Allah can hold.</li><li>• Realize that all messengers came with the same basic message about the belief in the One True God.</li><li>• Understand the difference between a prophet and a messenger.</li><li>• Identify the main holy books that Allah sent to mankind.</li><li>• Recognize that Al-Qur'an is the final holy book sent to mankind.</li><li>• Understand the meaning of Allah's name: Al-Wahid</li><li>• Know the following vocabulary terms: Suhuf Ibraheem, Tawrah, Injeel.</li></ul>

Chapter 4: The Prophet King:  
The Story of Prophet Dawood

- Learn the story of Prophet Dawood, peace and blessings be upon him.
- Appreciate the value of courage and heroism.
- Appreciate the value of reciting the Qur'an according to tajweed rules and with a beautiful voice.
- Learn how Prophet Dawood, peace and blessings be upon him, used to worship Allah.
- Understand the hadeeth on how Prophet Dawood, peace and blessings be upon him, used to pray and fast.
- Appreciate the value of Justice.
- Understand that rushing to judgment and listening to one side of the argument while ignoring the other leads to injustice.
- Understand the hadeeth about the strong believer being better than the weak believer, but both have goodness in them.

Chapter 5: The Greatest King:  
The Story of Prophet Suleyman

- Know the story of Prophet Suleyman and the Ant and the lessons that can be learned from this event in his life.
- Know the story of Prophet Suleyman's horses and the lessons that can be learned from this event in his life.
- Understand the relationship between Prophet Suleyman, Jerusalem, and Al-Masjid Al-Aqsa.
- Recount examples of Prophet Suleyman's wisdom.
- Recount some of the blessings that Allah bestowed on Prophet Suleyman.
- Learn about the great characteristics of this messenger of Allah.
- Appreciate the attitudes of gratefulness, humility and piety shown by Prophet Suleyman.

Chapter 6: Bilqees: The Queen of Faith

- Learn about the Queen of Saba', or Sheba.
- Explore how the nation of Saba' came to Islam.
- Appreciate the value of Da'wa, or inviting others to Islam.
- Recount the story of Prophet Suleyman and the Hoopoe.
- Understand and apply the hadeeth of the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, that states that Allah likes that we perfect our work.

## Unit C: Islam Prevails over Arabia

This unit continues the student's education of the seerah of the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him and covers the following subjects:

- Prophet's invitation of neighboring nations to Islam
- The Islam of Khalid Ibn-ul-Waleed
- The conquest of Makkah

This unit concludes with an explanation of Surat-ul-Mumtahinah and its relationship to the events of the seerah covered in this unit.

Chapter Name	Student Objectives
Chapter 1: Prophet Muhammad Reaches out to Arabia and Beyond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn what the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, focused on after the treaty of Al-Hudaybiyah.</li> <li>• Identify the tribes that he communicated with in Arabia.</li> <li>• Identify the nations that the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, invited to Islam outside Arabia.</li> <li>• Relate the story of Abu Sufyan and Caesar.</li> <li>• Appreciate the value of sharing the beautiful message of Islam with others.</li> <li>• Know the following vocabulary terms: Kisree, Heraculius</li> <li>• Understand the hadeeth of the Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, where he commands us to convey to others on his behalf even if just one ayah.</li> </ul>

Chapter 2: Khalid Ibn-ul-Waleed Embraces Islam

- Learn about the events that came before Khalid's acceptance of Islam.
- Learn about Khalid Ibn-ul Waleed and how he embraced Islam.
- Appreciate the value of courage and leadership that Khalid demonstrated.
- Recognize how family members should care about each other's faith.
- Relate why Khalid Ibn-ul-Waleed was known as "Saifullah" or the Sword of Allah.
- Relate the story of Abu Baseer

Chapter 3: Islam before kinship: The story of Ummu Habeebah

- Understand that Quraysh broke the treaty of Al-Hudaybiyah.
- Learn about Quraysh's attempts to salvage the treaty including Abu Sufyan's visit to Madina.
- Learn about and appreciate the story of Ummu Habeebah.
- Gain insight into the visit of Abu Sufyan to Ummu Habeebah.
- Learn basic information about how a marriage contract is performed in Islam.

Chapter 4: Surat-ul-Mumtahinah

- Learn the story of Hatib ibn Abi Balta'a and its relation to the first verse of this surah.
- Learn how a Muslim should deal with hostile enemies.
- Learn about the sin of betraying the Muslim society.
- Learn who are the enemies of Islam.
- Learn the hadeeth on the attitudes of a hypocrite.
- Know the following vocabulary terms: Al-Mumtahinah, Aduww, A'daa', Waliyy, Awliyaa'
- Learn how Prophet Ibraheem put his faith before family.
- Learn the du'aa' of Prophet Ibraheem and his followers.
- Understand that hostile non-Muslims are not necessarily Muslims' permanent enemies.
- Learn the wisdom of Ali Ibn Abi Talib about being balanced in your love and hate of others.
- Understand that Muslims should treat peaceful non-Muslims in a kind manner.
- Understand that Muslims should not take hostile non-Muslims as friends or confidants.
- Learn the hadeeth about the types of friends one can have.
- Learn how to take care of women new to Islam.
- Learn the rules of marriage to non-Muslim spouses.
- Know that a Muslim woman is not allowed to marry a Muslim man regardless of how nice or kind he may be.
- Know the vocabulary term: Ahl-ul-Kitab.
- Learn the concept of Bay'ah.
- Learn about the importance of women in Muslim society.
- Learn and memorize the major sins in Islam.

Chapter 5: The Way to Liberating Makkah

- Learn about Prophet Muhammad's, peace and blessings, preparation to liberate Makkah.
- Learn about the mistake of Hatib Ibn Abi Balta'ah.
- Learn about the events before Fateh Makkah.
- Understand the relationship of the first 3 verses of Surat-ul-Fath with the topic of this chapter.
- Understand the role of Al-Abbas in mediating with Qurash to not resist the Prophet.
- Explain how Abu Sufyan embraced Islam and how the Prophet responded to his embracing of Islam.

Chapter 6: Fateh Makkah: The Great Victory

- Recognize Prophet Muhammad's, peace and blessings be upon him, love of peace.
- Learn about the events of Fateh Makkah.
- Learn about Prophet Muhammad's actions upon his entry to Makkah.
- Appreciate the Prophet's forgiveness of Quraysh.
- Appreciate the virtue of hilm, or tolerance and forgiveness.
- Understand the meaning of the names of Allah, "Al-Fattah" and "Al-Haleem".
- Know the date of Fateh Makkah.

## Chapter 7: The Battle of Hunayn

- Learn about the tribe of Huwazin
- Learn about the events before the Battle of Hunayn
- Learn about the events of the Battle of Hunayn
- Learn about the conclusion of the Battle of Hunayn
- Appreciate the importance and the virtue of courage and understand the danger of quitting or fleeing especially in difficult times.
- Appreciate Islam's high war ethics.
- Learn the hadeeth on people born according to Fitrah.
- Learn the hadeeth on the three attitudes that may save a person and the three destructive ones.