

Level 2: Iman and History

Study Guide-Final Exam

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1. Who built the Ka'bah? Where is it located?
 - a. The Ka'bah was built by Prophet Ibraheem and his son Ismaeel. It is located in Makkah, Saudi Arabia.

2. Why is the Ka'bah so special for Muslims?
 - a. The Ka'bah is the first house of worship built on Earth.

3. Why did Abraha want to destroy the Ka'bah?
 - a. Abraha was jealous of the Ka'bah and Makkah. He built a big church in Yemen for everyone to visit, and wanted people to love the church more than the Ka'bah. He told people to stop visiting the Ka'bah but the Arabs did not listen to him. So Abraha became mad and wanted to destroy the Ka'bah.

4. Who is Abdul-Muttalib? What made him tell the people of Makkah to leave?
 - a. Abdul-Muttalib was the leader of Makkah. He told the people of Makkah to leave for their own safety from Abraha's army.

5. Why was Abdul-Muttalib not worried about the Ka'bah?
 - a. He had faith (IMAN) that Allah would protect the ka'bah.

6. What happened when Abraha told the elephant to destroy the Ka'bah?
 - a. Whenever the elephants were told to go to the Ka'bah, they would run away from it! They refused to destroy the Ka'bah because they were obeying Allah's commands, not Abraha's!

7. How did Allah (swt) protect the Ka'bah?

- a. Allah sent a flock of birds over Makkah. By Allah's command, the birds were holding stones in their claws and beaks. They dropped the stones onto Abraha and his army. Abraha and his army were destroyed!

8. When was the Prophet Muhammad (saw) born?
 - a. The Prophet (saw) was born in the Year of the Elephant.

9. What is the Seerah about?
 - a. The Seerah is the story of the life of Prophet Muhammad (saw).

10. Who was the father of Prophet Muhammad (saw)? Abdullah, son of Abdul-Muttalib.

11. Who was the mother of Prophet Muhammad (saw)? Aminah, daughter of Wahb.

12. Prophet Muhammad's father Abdullah died a few months before the Prophet was born.

13. Why was the Prophet (saw) sent to the desert as a small child?
 - a. In those days, it was a tradition of noble families to send their babies to the desert because they were able to get strong, eat healthy food, and breathe fresh air. Also, the babies learned to speak beautiful Arabic from the people who lived in the desert.

14. What was the name of the kind woman who took care of Muhammad (saw) in the desert?
 - a. Haleemah

15. At what age did Prophet Muhammad lose his mother?
 - a. 6 years old

16. What does it mean to be an orphan?

- a. Losing your father and mother makes you an orphan.
17. How should a Muslim treat an orphan, as we learn from Surat Al-Maun?
- a. Be kind to orphans and help them whenever you can.
18. Who was the grandfather of Prophet Muhammad (saw)? Abdul-Muttalib
19. Who took care of Prophet Muhammad after his grandfather died? Abu Talib (his uncle)
20. How did the Prophet (saw) try to help out his uncle? First he became a shepherd. Then, when he was 25 years old, he worked as a merchant/trader.
21. What did the people of Makkah do that Muhammad disliked? The people of Makkah worshipped idols.
22. What was Muhammad (saw) called as a young man? As-Sadiq Al-Amin (The Truthful, The Trusted)
23. What was the big problem the people in Makkah were fighting over?
- a. Once the Ka'bah was rebuilt, the chiefs of the Quraysh started fighting over who got to put the Black Stone (Al Hajar Al Aswad) in the right corner. They all wanted the honor of placing the holy stone in the right place.
24. How did the chiefs of the Quraysh choose Muhammad (saw) to solve their problem?
- a. Prophet Muhammad (saw) was the first person to walk into the courtyard, so he was chosen to decide. They were happy since Muhammad was known as As-Sadiq al-Amin.
25. What did Muhammad (saw) do to solve the problem?

- a. Muhammad (saw) placed the black stone on a cloth, and then had all the chiefs hold the cloth together to lift up the stone. Then Muhammad (saw) himself placed the stone in the right place.

26. Describe the great manners of Khadeejah (RA)

- a. She had great manners and a good character. When Prophet Muhammad (saw) came to work for her, she was impressed by him and wanted to marry him. So she had a friend talk to his family.

27. How many children did Muhammad (saw) and Khadeejah have? What are their names?

- a. The Prophet Muhammad and Khadeejah had 4 daughters and 2 sons.
- b. Daughters: Zaynab, Ruqayyah, Ummu Kulthum, Fatimah
- c. Both sons died very young.

28. What did people used to call Zaid?

- a. People used to call him Zaid ibn Muhammad (Zaid, son of Muhammad) because of how much the Prophet loved Zaid.

29. How can you show your love for the Prophet (saw)?

- a. Follow his manners and his Sunnah (obey Allah, pray on time, be honest, respect your parents and elders, be kind to your friends, greet others and smile at them, and help the poor and needy)

30. What should you say when you hear Muhammad's name? Say: "Salla-llahu Alayhi Wa Sallam."