

In the name of Allah, Most Beneficent, Most Merciful

Lesson-1a

Al-Fatihah



Assalamu alaikum wa rahmatullah

اللَّهُ	وَرَحْمَةً	عَلَيْكُمْ	السَّلَامُ
warahmatul-laahi		‘alaiykum	’as-salaamu
of Allah	and mercy	on you all	Peace be

- Do you know what is the meaning of ...
- We pray for each other for mercy



Starting to Study the Qur'an

- From today we will start studying Al-Qur'an, the Book of Allah.
- **Question 1:** Which is the best book? Al-Qur'an. Because it is Allah's book.
- **Question 2:** What will happen if we study Qur'an and FOLLOW it? It will show us the way to become the best; to be successful.



Successful... Where?

- (i) We will become the best in this world.
 - Best student; Best son or daughter; Best friend; and
 - When we grow up, we will become the best person, best neighbor, the best engineer, best doctor, best manager, etc.
- (i) We will get paradise with the Mercy of Allah where we will live happily forever.



Which is the Best Class?

- This class where we will study the Qur'an is the best class.
- Prophet Muhammad peace upon him said: "The best of you are those who learn the Qur'an and teach it to others."
- Therefore, according to Prophet Muhammad pbuh: You are the best because you are studying the Qur'an.



Whenever we study Qur'an, Remember 3 things

1. To study the Qur'an **to please Allah**; so that He is happy with us. He is always **ALIVE** and **WATCHING** and listening to us from high above. Even in this class.
2. Study it **with full attention and interest**



Whenever we study Qur'an, Remember 3 things

3. To understand and feel it.

Do we say something to our elders without understanding?

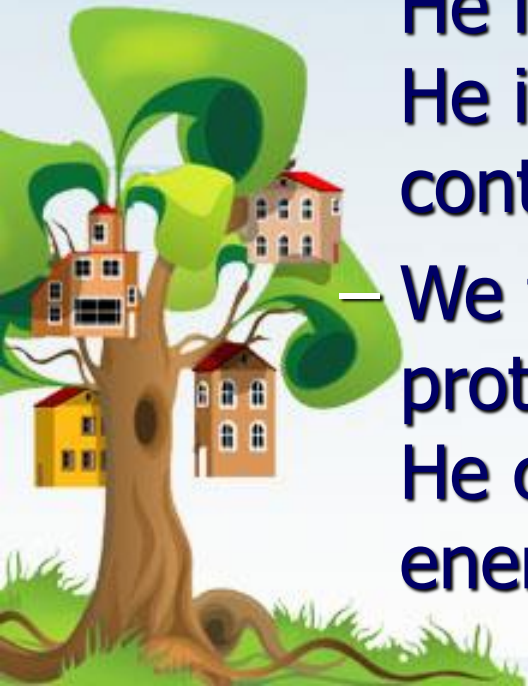
Do we say "I am happy" with sad tone or "I am very angry" with happy tone?

If we recite Qur'an without feelings, is it OK? Remember again that Allah is watching us.



Before we recite Qur'an,

- Allah has advised us to say:
A'oodhu billah: I take refuge in Allah
- We don't see Allah but Allah is seeing us. He is hearing us. He knows what we think. He is all powerful. Everything is under His control.
- We take His refuge, i.e., We get His protection... by just saying A'oodhu billah. He can send angels. He can throw all enemies away from us.



Now Let us Practice WFW (in 3 steps):

- A'oodhu: I take refuge; Billahi: In Allah;
A'oodhu billah: I take refuge in Allah. (5
times)

الرَّجِيمِ ❦	مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ	بِاللَّهِ	أَعُوذُ
'A'oozu billahi minash-shai'aanir rajeem			
the outcast.	from Satan,	in Allah	I seek refuge

Shaitaan?

- **Who is the Shaitaan?** He is a jinn / genie. We don't see him.
- **Where is he?** All of us have a Shaitaan with us. Don't worry. Don't get scared. We have angels also with us always to protect us. Allah with His huuuuuge power is above us all to protect us.



الرجيم The outcast

- **What is he?** Shaitaan is outcast. Thrown away from Mercy of Allah.
- Remember that he wants the same for us. He hates us; He wants us to go to hell with him.



What does Shaitaan do?

- **What does it do?** It whispers. It says something BAD secretly in your heart. You feel like doing bad things. **This is his ATTACK.**



Do you feel that Sometimes?

- Not obeying Allah
- Not obeying parents / teachers
- Talking in the class
- Being bad to friends in the class and outside.
- Not ready to study; any subject... not only Qur'an. Because all subjects give us knowledge. Of course, **most important is the Qur'an.**



Hate Shaitaan; Fight Shaitaan

Who is our worst enemy? Shaitaan.

- Fight this bad feelings. **HOW???**
- Say A'oodhu billah and **Feel** that Allah is giving us protection.
- Say minash-"shaitaanirrajeem" & **Feel** the hatred towards Shaitaan in heart.



Say A'oodhu billah... WHEN

- We start reciting the Qur'an; and**
- we feel like doing bad things.**



Now Let us Practice WFW (in 3 steps):

- Min: From; Ash-Shaitaan: Shaitaan; Ar-rajeem: the outcast (one who is thrown away); minash-shaitaanir-rajeem: from Shaitaan the outcast. (5 times)



Surahs & Fatihah

- Surah means chapter.**
- Qur'an has 114 Surahs / Chapters**
- Fataha: to Open; (I open a door, a window ,a book)**
- Suratul-Fatihah: Opening Chapter;
the first chapter
(3 times; with Children)**



Let us start Surah Al-Fatihah.

الرَّحِيمِ (1)	الرَّحْمَنِ	اللَّهِ	بِسْمِ
bismil-laahir- Raḥmaanir Raḥeem			
the Most Merciful.	the Most Gracious,	Allah,	In the name of

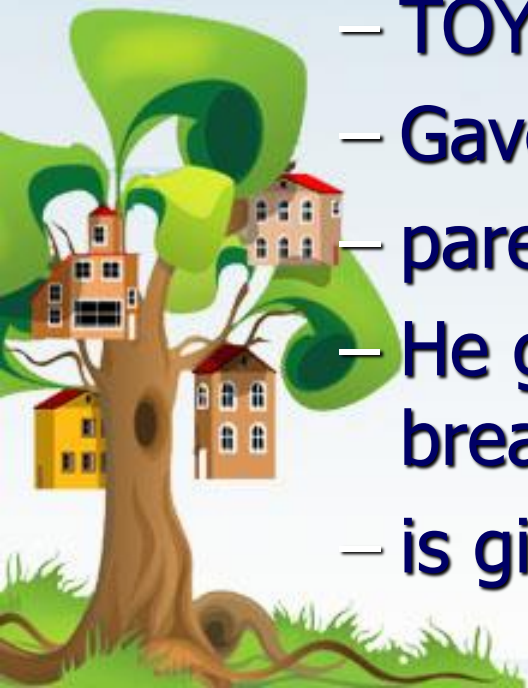
— (3 times)



Ar-Rahmaan & Ar-Raheem

Both Rahman and Raheem means that He is very Merciful. He is so kind that He:

- Created us.
- TOYS, CHOCOLATES
- Gave us eyes to see, ears to hear,
- parents to take care of us.
- He gave us earth to live on and air to breathe. Everything free.
- is giving all those blessings continuously.



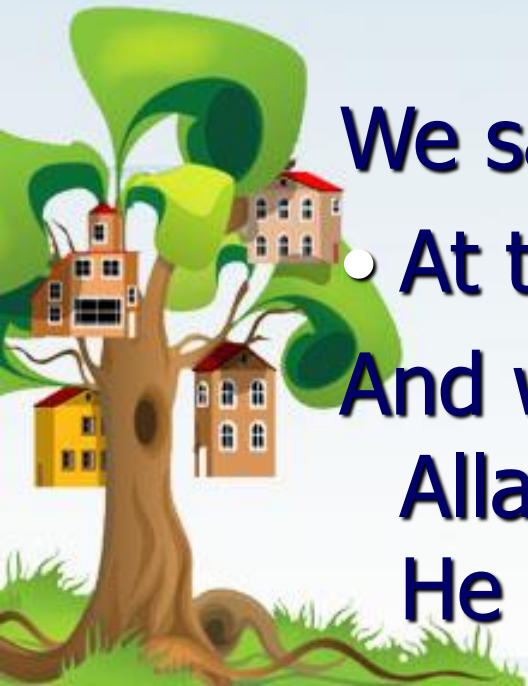
Ar-Rahmaan & Ar-Raheem

- He loves us a lot. Much more than our mom and father. **FEEL HIS MERCY AND LOVE.**

We say bismillah

- At the start of every work

And we should **FEEL confident** that Allah is going to help us in that work. He is listening. He is alive.



Let us recite what we learnt ...

- To please Allah
- With full attention and interest
- With Understanding and feelings

A'oodhu billahi...



Guidelines

- Replace stage activities by beautiful pics in the slide
- Study Qur'an in front of a Masjid (Keep a Masjid background?) or a Photo on top left.

