

In the name of Allah, Most Beneficent, Most Merciful

Understand Qur'an – the Easy Way

For Primary School Children (Book-1)

Lesson-8a: Iqamah

Iqamah

اللهُ أَكْبَرُ					اللهُ أَكْبَرُ				
'Allahu 'akbar.					'Allahu 'akbar.				
Allah is the greatest.					Allah is the greatest.				
إِلَّا اللهُ			إِلَهَ		لَا		أَنْ	أَشْهَدُ	
illal-laah			'ilaaha		'al laa			'ash-hadu	
except Allah.			god		(there is) no		that	I bear witness	
اللهِ		رَسُولُ		مُحَمَّدًا		أَنَّ		أَشْهَدُ	
Muḥam-madar rasoolul-laah						'anna		'ash-hadu	
is the Messenger of Allah.				Muhammad (pbuh		that		I bear witness	
الْفَلَاحِ		حَيَّ عَلَى		الصَّلَاةِ			حَيَّ عَلَى		
ḥay-ya 'alal falaah.				ḥay-ya 'alaṣ-ṣalaah					
the prosperity.		Come to		the prayer.				Come to	
قَدْ قَامَتِ الصَّلَاةُ				قَامَتِ الصَّلَاةُ			قَدْ		
qad qaamatiṣ-ṣalaah				qaamatiṣ-ṣalaah			qad		
Indeed the prayer is established.				the prayer is established.			Indeed		
لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ				اللهُ أَكْبَرُ اللهُ أَكْبَرُ					
laa 'ilaha 'illal-lah				'Allahu 'akbar. 'Allahu 'akbar.					
There is no god except Allah.				Allah is the greatest. Allah is the greatest.					

Allahu 'Akbar:

اَللّٰهُ اَكْبَرُ	اَللّٰهُ اَكْبَرُ
'Allahu 'akbar.	'Allahu 'akbar.
Allah is the greatest.	Allah is the greatest.

- Allah is the Greatest. Allaah is greater than any person, any group, any power.
- Sometimes, when we see somebody who has done a great, big job, we say: You are great! We see a wonderful player, and we say: How great he is!
- Remember that Allah has created all these 'great' persons. And Allah is the Greatest. Say it with feelings.

Allahu 'Akbar:

اَللّٰهُ اَكْبَرُ	اَللّٰهُ اَكْبَرُ
'Allahu 'akbar.	'Allahu 'akbar.
Allah is the greatest.	Allah is the greatest.

- If some one tells us: Allah says not to lie, we should never make our ego greater! We should not say, Ahhh go away I know it, Otherwise, it will be arrogance. If we say Allah is the Greatest, then we should obey Him.
- If I accept Allah as the Greatest, then I should never be afraid of anyone specially the evil people or the evil powers, Allah is the Greatest, He is the Greatest. He has absolute control of these people or these powers.

Allahu Akbar

- When we hear Adhan in Fajr, after hearing Allahu Akbar if I keep sleeping after hearing it, then in a sense I have not accepted Allah as the greatest. my sleep or my desire is great.
- During the day, when we hear Adhan: Is our work, meeting, chatting, eating, shopping, going or coming to some place, greater (and therefore deserves our attention) or Allah? Even worse, watching TV or just having fun with Haraam greater than Allah? We should stop it and go for salah when we hear adhan.

Allahu Akbar

- During the Salah, we say or hear AllahuAkbar again and again. In addition to remember other things, this is to remind that we should not think about anything else while praying. Remember feel the greatness of Allah swt.
- Lastly, if I claim Allah is the Greatest then I should explain people in the best kind and beautiful manner.

I bear witness!

أَنْ	أَشْهَدُ
'an	ash-hadu
that	I bear witness

- I bear witness means: My sayings and actions, my whole life shows that I believe in Allah and I worship and obey Him with love.
- I bear witness: i.e, I believe in it, I do it, and I say it in beautiful and kind way to others.

La Ilaha Illallahu:

الله	إِلَّا	إِلَهَ	لَا
'illal-laahu		'ilaaha	'al-laa
Allah	except	god	(there is) no

- i.e., I should not worship any one except Allah,
- Not fear any one except Allah,
- Not ask any one except Allah,
- Not obey any one except Allah.
- If we obey our desires, then we are not true in saying When I say this, it is as if we are saying: I will not obey Shaitaan, not obey my evil desires or any one except Allah.

La Ilaha Illallahu:

الله	إِلَّا	إِلَهَ	لَا
'illal-laahu		'ilaaha	'al-laa
Allah	except	god	(there is) no

- Whatever we have - our money, parents, friends, our house, - is all from Allah.
- Any fun (eating, drinking, playing) that we have is only because Allah kept us alive and healthy.
- Why ask anyone else just ask Allah swt.
- Therefore we should love Him, worship Him, obey Him.

And I I bear witness

أَنَّ	أَشْهَدُ
'anna	wa-'ash-hadu
that	and I bear witness

- I bear witness: i.e, I believe in it, I do it, and I say it in beautiful and kind way to others.
- I bear witness means: My sayings and actions, my whole life shows that I believe in Muhammad (pbuh) and I follow Him with love.

Muhammad (pbuh) is the Messenger of Allah

	رَسُولُ اللَّهِ	مُحَمَّدًا
	Rasoolullah	Muhammadan
	is the Messenger of Allah	Muhammad (pbuh)

- Allah loves us all very much. He wanted to show us the best way for eternal happiness.
- Allah made Prophet Muhammad [pbuh] His Messenger. Allah gave him the Qur'an through angel Jibra'eel or Gabriel. Prophet Muhammad pbuh conveyed Al-Qur'an to us and also showed us how to follow the Qur'an.
- And he became the Most Successful because he followed the Qur'an and all the commands of Allah swt.

أَشْهَدُ		أَنْ	
ash-hadu		'an	
I bear witness		that	
لَا	إِلَهَ	إِلَّا	اللَّهُ
'al-laa	'ilaaha	'illal-laahu	
(there is) no	god	except	Allah
أَشْهَدُ		أَنَّ	
wa-'ash-hadu		'anna	
and I bear witness		that	
مُحَمَّدًا		رَسُولُ اللَّهِ	
Muḥammadan		Rasoolullah	
Muhammad (pbuh)		is the Messenger of Allah	

Don't forget to do the HWs

- Listen to a tape
- Paste the poster in your room and learn the meanings from it at different times in the day
- Fill up the worksheets in your book

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَبِحَمْدِكَ
نَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ نَسْتَغْفِرُكَ وَنَتُوبُ
إِلَيْكَ