

Ramadan / Eid ul Fitr



1. As the pupils enter

Have the webpage open:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/assemblies-ks1-ramadan-best-eid-ever/zkdhm39>

Play your chosen music and display the image of **words associated with Eid** (see 'Related links').

2. Introduction

Display the gallery images of wrapped presents or use your own wrapped gift as a prop.

Begin by asking the children some or all of the following questions:

1. What am I showing you / What am I holding?
2. What do you think could be inside?
3. When do we give presents to each other?
4. Why do we give presents to each other?
5. Have any of you ever received a really surprising present?

Continue by explaining that Eid will be happening soon - a special time when Muslims celebrate the end of the holy month of Ramadan (add as much detail as you feel is necessary). The exact timing of Eid is dependent on the new moon appearing in the sky. In the video a girl called Halima will tell us more about one particular Eid when she received a very special present...

3. Play the video

Play the video. The duration is 4' 29" and the final words are: "...As-Salaam-Alaikum, sweetie. Eid Mubarak.'

4 & 5. Time to talk

Continue by exploring some of the themes of the story including presents and gift-giving:

1. Do you think Halima changed during the story? What things did she start doing differently?
2. The story was called 'The best Eid present ever'. Why do you think it was called that?
3. Can you think of any other very special presents or gifts...things that perhaps don't come wrapped in boxes?

Play video



6. Time to sing

An opportunity to sing your song.

7. Opportunity to reflect

Today we've been thinking about gifts and why we give each other gifts... Gifts help us to celebrate together and to show other people that they are important to us...

There are all sorts of gifts...some that come wrapped as presents...and some gifts, like the one in our story, that do not...

In the stillness think about what the greatest gifts are...

If you could give another person - or even the whole world - a very special gift, what would it be?'

8. Opportunity for prayer

Dear God. Thank you for the presents we are given and for the chance to show other people how important they are to us by giving presents.

Help us to think about the meaning of presents and to understand the things which are most precious.

Amen.