

A stylized illustration of a mosque with a tall minaret, a domed structure, and palm trees. A crescent moon is visible in the sky. The scene is set against a warm orange background. Two semi-transparent colored rectangles, one purple and one teal, are overlaid on the image, each containing text.

Islam

Life as a Muslim

Daily Life

Watch the video and think about the similarities and differences between your life and life as a Muslim.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHZGmydCLbU>

Daily Life

In the Muslim family the wellbeing of the family is the responsibility of the mother. Her work is in the home and it is considered to be as important as the father's whose responsibility it is to provide the family with an income and to protect the members of the family. Muslim children are expected to show respect to their parents and to look after them when they get old.



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If the child goes to a Muslim school then they will learn the Qur'an there, if not they will learn it in special classes at the mosque. They are expected to work hard in school and to spend time with their families.



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Muslims have strict rules about the food they eat, especially meat. They do not eat anything that is from a pig. Pork, bacon and sausages are not allowed.

Any meat that they do eat has to be prepared in a special way.

This is called halal. Muslims wash and pray before meals. The eldest person present always eats first.

Drinking alcohol is strictly forbidden.



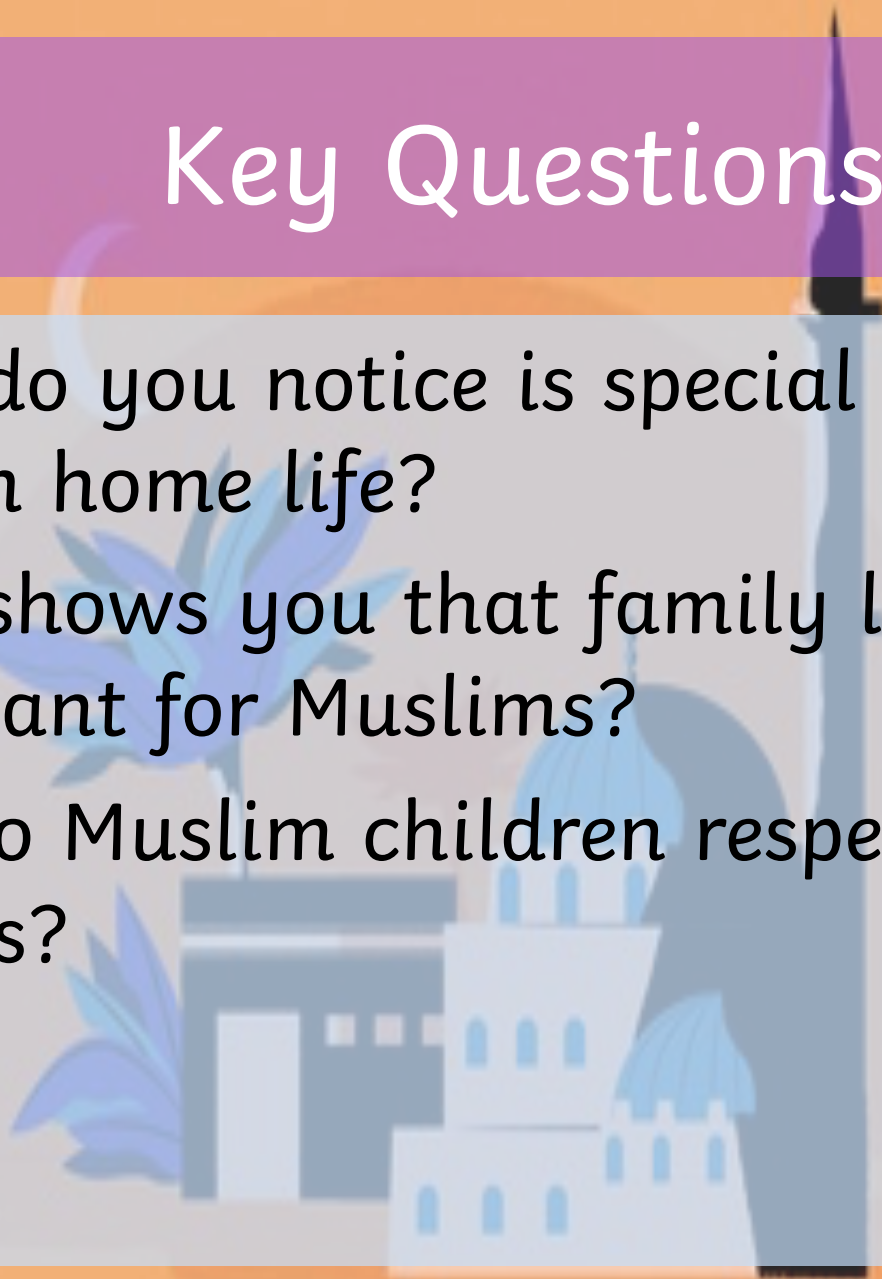
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Muslims have several rules about clothes, they must dress modestly, and women must cover their hair. Different kinds of Muslims have different rules about dress.

Key Questions

- What do you notice is special about Muslim home life?
- What shows you that family life is important for Muslims?
- How do Muslim children respect their parents?



Today's Task

Imagine you have grown up in a Muslim family. Write a diary called 'A day in the life of a Muslim child'. Include some information that you have learnt from today. What might you wear? What would you eat or not eat? What might you learn about at school? How many times would you need to pray each day? Can you include some details about prayer?