

Core Curriculum

7 The Legacy of the Prophet Muhammad (s) and his Ahl al-Bayt (as)

7.1 Islam and Knowledge: the Importance of Islamic Education

Word : ‘ilm

Meaning : knowledge

Word : ta‘līm

Meaning : to teach, to convey or instill knowledge

Word : tarbīyah

Meaning : to rear, to nurture someone spiritually and morally

Word : mu‘min

Meaning : someone who has deep faith in God

7.2 The Ahl al-Kisa

Word : Ahl al-Kisa

Meaning : The People of the Cloak, referring to the Prophet Muhammad(s), Imam Ali (as), Fatima al-Zahra (as), Imam Hasan (as) and Imam Husayn (as).

7.3 Imamah in the Qur’an

Word : Imamah

Meaning : Divine leadership

7.4 Fatima al-Zahrah (as)

Word : Tasbih of Fatima al-Zahra

Meaning : Tasbih of Fatima al-Zahra

Word : Fadak

Meaning : Fatima’s garden which was gifted to her by her father (s).

7.5 A Brief Look at the Lives of the Imams (Imam al-Hasan until Imam Muhammad al-Baqir)

Word : N/A

Meaning : N/A

7.6 **A Brief Look at the Lives of the Imams (Imam Jafar al-Sadiq until Imam Hasan al-Askari)**

Word : Sayyid

Meaning : Descendent of the Prophet

7.7 **A Brief Look at the Life and Importance of Imam al-Mahdi (aj)**

Word : Ghaybat al-Sughra

Meaning : The 12th Imam's lesser or minor occultation

Word : Ghaybat al-Kubra

Meaning : The 12th Imam's greater or major occultation

Word : Akhir al-Zaman

Meaning : End of Days

Word : Zuhur

Meaning : The 12th Imam's reappearance at the End of Days

7.8 **Salawat and Atonement in Islam**

Word : Salawat

Meaning : conveying blessings upon the Prophet and his Ahl al-Bayt (as)

Word : Sahaba

Meaning : companions of the Prophet

Word : Allahumma Salli 'Alā Muhammad wa Āli Muhammad

Meaning : "O Allah, send your blessings upon Muhammad and upon the progeny of Muhammad"

Word : Assalamu alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh

Meaning : may the peace of God be upon you as well as His mercy and blessings

7.9 **The Companions (Sahaba) of the Prophet According to the Qur'an**

Word : Sahabi

Meaning : companion of the prophet (s)

Word : Sahaba

Meaning : companions of the prophet (s)

Word : Muttabi

Meaning : obedient and faithful follower of the Prophet (s)

7.10 Clerical Hierarchies in Muslim Communities

Word : Alim

Meaning : Someone who possesses knowledge, i.e. cleric.

Word : Maulana

Meaning : "Our master," in reference to a cleric of any rank, it is a term usually used by South Asians

Word : Ayatollah

Meaning : "Sign of God," a highly trained cleric who is a mujtahid

Word : Ayatollah al-Udhma

Meaning : "greater Ayatollah (Sign of God)," another name for a Marja

Word : Hawza

Meaning : Islamic seminary where Muslim clerics are trained in Law

7.11 Mosques in Islam

Word : i'tikaf

Meaning : practice of confining oneself to the Mosque for a number of days in order to perform religious rituals and activities.

Word : layat al-qadr

Meaning : Night of Power, the night in which the Qur'an was first revealed to the Prophet Muhammad (s)

Word : masjid al-haram

Meaning : The Kaba, it means the Sacred Mosque.

Word : Hawza

Meaning : Islamic seminary where clergy are trained

Word : Husayniyah

Meaning : A Husayniyah is a center of multiple purposes. It is primarily designed to be a place of mourning for the Ahl al-Bayt (as) as well as celebrating their birthdays. It is also used as a place for prayer.

7.12 The Philosophy of Karbala and Majalis

Word : Fakhr

Meaning : Haughtiness

Word : Akhlaq

Meaning : spiritual ethics, Godly and moral disposition

Word : Majalis (sing. Majlis)

Meaning : gatherings that commemorate the various tragedies that befell the Ahl al-Bayt (as), especially Imam al-Husayn (as).

7.13 A Brief Biography of Imam Ali ibn Abi Talib (as)

Word : Imam

Meaning : Divinely appointed leader to guide humankind

Word : Ghadeer

Meaning : Where Imam Ali (as) was declared the successor of the Prophet

Word : Fatimah al-Zahrah

Meaning : Wife of Imam Ali (as) and daughter of the Prophet Muhammad (s)

Word : Qutb

Meaning : Literally "pole," it refers to a perfect human being who is the cosmic and universal leader of all of God's saints and the mediator between the divine and human realms.

Word : Abū Tālib

Meaning : Imam Ali's father

7.14 The Battle of Karbala: A Brief History

Word : Yazid

Meaning : Son of Muawiyah, Caliph responsible for the murder of Imam al-Husayn (as).

Word : Karbala

Meaning : Town where Imam al-Husayn, his family and his close companions were massacred in.

Word : Kufa

Meaning : City which Imam al-Husayn (as) headed to in order to to avoid bloodshed in Mecca and Medina.

Word : Ashura

Meaning : Tenth day of Muharram, the day the battle of Karbala took place and Imam al-Husayn (as) was killed.

Word : Muharram

Meaning : First month of the Islamic calendar, the month in which Imam al-Husayn (as) was killed.