

## Core Curriculum

### 3 Foundations of Islam - Obligatory Acts

#### 3.8 The Hajj Pilgrimage

**Question:** What is the Ka'ba?

**Answer:** Cube shaped building which is the direction for Muslim prayers. It is also the building around which Muslims circumambulate during the Hajj pilgrimage.

**Question:** Did the Hajj rituals begin with the Prophet Muhammad? (s)

**Answer:** No, they began with the Prophet Abraham (as).

**Question:** How many times do Muslims have to walk around the Ka'ba for?

**Answer:** Seven

**Question:** What is the tawāf?

**Answer:** Circumambulation around the Ka'ba seven times in counter-clock wise fashion.

**Question:** What is the Hajj?

**Answer:** Pilgrimage to Mecca that all Muslims must perform at least once in their lifetime.