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# Level 2

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### Memorization – Week 15

- Help kids memorize a surah according to each kid's level
- Help kids memorize the dhikr/dua below:

سُبْحَانَ اللهِ وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ وَلَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللهُ وَاللهُ أَكْبَر

- □ Angels and their duties
  - Believing in angels is a very important part of faith in Islam.
  - A person who does not believe in angels is not a Muslim.
  - □ Angels are a special creation of Allah and are created from light.
  - □ They are Allah's servants, and they always do what He wants them to do.
  - □ They are sinless and they never disobey Allah and look after the world with permission of Allah.
  - □ They are pure beings and are generally known to be beautiful. Prophet Muhammad (saws) once described Jibril (as) saying, "Jibril came to me wearing garments of green silk with pearls on them."
- Four main angels
  - □ We do not know the exact number of angels but among them, there are four main angels.
  - □ We have learnt from the words of Allah and His Messenger (saws) about their duties.
  - □ They are:

#### Jibril

- He is the greatest angel and is mainly responsible for carrying messages to the prophets.
- He is also mentioned of very highly in the Qur'an, as being powerful and trustworthy.
- □ He regularly visited the Prophet (saws) to teach him about Islam and help him in his mission.
- □ The Prophet (saws) saw Jibril in his original form.
  - □ He has 600 wings, which could fill the entire horizon.
- Mika'il
  - □ He is the second greatest angel.
  - □ His main responsibility is to take care of the rain and plants which creates rizq (provision for all creation).
  - Allah tells Mika'il, for example, the type of weather for a place or the food to be given to a person; Mika'il then carries out this command.
  - □ He has many other angels who help him fulfil his duties.
  - □ He would sometimes come with Jibril to the Prophet (saws).

#### Israfil

- □ Israfil is the third greatest angel.
- His main duty is to blow the horn to end the world.
- □ Since the day he was given charge of the horn, he has held it to his mouth, and has fixed his eyes on Allah's Throne waiting for the order to blow.
- □ He will blow the trumpet twice: once to end the world, and the second time to begin the Day of Judgement.
- This is when everyone will be brought back to life to be judged for their actions.
- Malak al-Mawt
  - □ He is the last of the four main angels.
  - □ He is responsible for death and is the leader of all of angels of death.
  - Depending on the deeds of a person, he will either remove a soul gently from its body and remove it forcefully.
  - He once came in a physical form to take the soul of Musa (as).
- Other Angels
  - Angels of Paradise
    - Responsible for guarding the Paradise and welcome those who enter Paradise and look after them. Their leader, who is the gatekeeper of Paradise, is called Ridwan.

- Angels of Hell
  - □ Some of angels are charged with guarding Hell and punishing those inside. Their leader, who is the gatekeeper of Hell, is called Malik.
- Munkar and Nakir
  - □ They are two angels who have been commanded to question the souls of the dead in their graves. They are dark with fiery, blue eyes.
  - □ They have a thundering voice, and a gaze like bolts of lightning.
- Kiraman Katibin
  - These are angels who are responsible for witnessing and recording people's deeds on a daily basis. The words 'Kiraman Katibin' mean the angels who are respected and who write.

#### Sayyahun

- ❑ These angels travel around the earth looking for people who remember Allah. When the find a group of people remembering Allah, they join in and bless the gathering with their presence.
- We pray and hope this classroom is a gathering of remembering Allah and that Sayyahun are present with us right now!