

THE MUSLIM MEMORY GAME: Eid Edition

A Kid-Friendly Guide to Eid Traditions





INTRODUCTION

This guide explains the beautiful traditions that Muslims practice during Eid celebrations around the world. Each tradition connects us to our faith, our Prophet Muhammad (sall Allahu 'alayhi was sallam), and our global Muslim community.

How to Use This Guide:

- Read about each tradition with your family
 - Look for these practices during your own Eid celebrations
 - Share what you learn with friends or classmates
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Things we do every Eid





Best Clothes

Arabic: أفضل ملابس | **Pronunciation:** AF-dal ma-LA-bis

Wearing our prettiest and nicest clothes on Eid shows that this day is very special and important. The Prophet (salla Allahu 'alayhi was sallam) instructed us to wear our best clothes.

Around the World: Muslim families wear traditional clothes from their cultures - from colorful dresses to elegant thobes!

Try This: Pick out your favorite outfit the night before Eid so you're ready for the special day!



Khutbah

Arabic: خطبة | **Pronunciation:** KHUT-bah

After the Eid prayer, the imam gives a special talk to teach everyone about Islam and remind us why Eid is important. Everyone sits quietly and listens to learn more about being good Muslims.

Around the World: In some countries, the khutbah is given in Arabic and the local language so everyone can understand.

Did You Know? The Eid khutbah is in the morning whereas the Friday khutbah is during the afternoon!



Eid Takbir

Arabic: تكبير | **Pronunciation:** tak-BEER

These are special words praising Allah that we say over and over on Eid: "Allahu Akbar" means "Allah is the Greatest!"

Try This: Practice saying "Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, La ilaha illa Allah, wa Allahu Akbar, Allahu Akbar, wa lillahi-hamd!!"



Prayer

Arabic: صلاة | **Pronunciation:** sa-LAH

On both Eids, we pray a special prayer together with lots of other Muslims in a big open area. This prayer is different from our daily prayers and brings our whole community together to thank Allah.

Did You Know? The Eid prayer has extra Takbirs! Seven in the first rakat and five in the second rakat.



Bath (ghusul)

Arabic: غسل | **Pronunciation:** GHUS-I

Taking a bath before Eid is something Muslims do to get clean and ready for this important day.

Lesson for Us: Just like we put on nice clothes for special occasions, we make sure our bodies are extra clean for this special day too!

Fun Ways We Celebrate Eid!





Gifts

Arabic: هدايا | **Pronunciation:** ha-DA-ya

Giving presents, especially to children, is a super fun Eid tradition in many Muslim families around the world! These gifts make everyone happy and show how much we love each other.

Around the World: Some families give money, others give toys, books, or clothes - every family has their own gift-giving style!



Togetherness

Arabic: معاً | **Pronunciation:** ma-AN

A wonderful part of Eid is spending time with family and friends, sharing meals, and visiting people we love! Islam teaches us that being kind to our family and helping our neighbors is pleasing to Allah.

Lesson for Us: Eid is about showing gratitude for our blessings and sharing joy with everyone around us!

Try This: On Eid you can visit relatives you haven't seen in a while, strengthening family bonds and friendships.



Treats

Arabic: حلويات | **Pronunciation:** hul-oo-WAAT

Sweet treats and candies are shared with everyone during Eid celebrations, yum!

Around the World: Different cultures have special Eid sweets, ma'moul, baklava, gulab jamun, and more!

Try This: Make extra sweets to give to neighbors and friends, spreading the celebration!



Balloons

Arabic: بالونات | **Pronunciation:** ba-loo-NAAT

Colorful balloons help make our homes and communities look beautiful and happy for Eid. They are also really fun to play with!

Things We Do on Eid al- Fitn





Crescent Moon

Arabic: هلال | **Pronunciation:** hi-LAAL

When we see the new crescent moon in the sky, it means Ramadan is over (and we are sad to see it go). It also means Eid al-Fitr has begun, time to celebrate! Allah teaches us in the Quran that we should look for the moon to know when special times like Ramadan, Hajj, and Eid start.

Did You Know? The Islamic calendar follows the moon, so moon sighting is essential for knowing when Islamic months begin and end.

Around the World: Muslim communities all around the world look for the moon to know when Eid begins!



Zakaat al-Fitr

Arabic: زكاة الفطر | **Pronunciation:** za-KAH al-FIT-r

This is food like rice and grains that we give to poor people before Eid prayer so everyone can celebrate and have a happy Eid.

Lesson for Us: This obligatory charity must be given before Eid prayer to make sure everyone has food for the celebration!



1st of Shawwal

Arabic: أول شوال | **Pronunciation:** AW-wal shaw-WAAL

This is the special day on the Islamic calendar when Eid al-Fitr happens every year - alhamdulillah! After fasting for a whole month during Ramadan, we celebrate our accomplishment with a holiday!

Did You Know? Shawwal is the 10th month in the Islamic calendar, and the 1st day is always Eid al-Fitr!

Things We Do on Eid al-Adha





Sacrifice

Arabic: أضحية | **Pronunciation:** ud-HI-yah

This is the special sheep, goat, camel, or cow that is sacrificed during Eid al-Adha to remember how Prophet Ibrahim (alayhi salaam) was willing to sacrifice his son for Allah. Pilgrims on Hajj do their sacrifice near Makkah as part of their Hajj, and Muslim families at home do their sacrifice in their own cities during the days of Eid al-Adha. We share the meat so everyone can enjoy a special meal.

Did You Know? We eat from the sacrifice, we save some, and we give some away for family, friends, and those in need!

Beautiful Story: When Prophet Ibrahim (alayhi salaam) was about to sacrifice his son, Allah provided a ram instead because of his strong faith!



Circling the Kabah

Arabic: طواف | **Pronunciation:** ta-WAAF

During Hajj, people walk in a circle around the Kabah seven times. Pilgrims do tawaf throughout Hajj, including on the days of Eid al-Adha, while Muslims at home are also celebrating Eid.

Did You Know? People come from all over the world to visit Makkah year-round. For 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, there are always people making tawaf - the Kaaba is never empty!

Lesson for Us: During Tawaf, rich and poor, young and old, people from every country walk together as equals, like one big Muslim family!



Going between Saffa & Marwa

Arabic: سعي | **Pronunciation:** Sa-EE

As part of Hajj, people go back and forth seven times between two hills called Safa and Marwah. Many pilgrims do this during the days of Eid al-Adha while they are completing their Hajj steps.

Beautiful Story: Hajar, baby Ismail's mom, (alayhi salaam) ran between these hills looking for water and trusted that Allah would help her. Allah made a spring appear – this is the well of Zamzam that still exists today!

Lesson for Us: Just like Hajar never gave up and trusted Allah, we should never give up when things are hard!



Stoning the Jamarat

Arabic: رمي الجمرات | **Pronunciation:** RAM-ee al-ja-ma-RAAT

On Hajj, pilgrims visit Mina during the days of Eid al-Adha and gently throw small pebbles at three stone walls called the Jamarāt (they used to look like pillars). They throw seven pebbles at each wall and say “Allāhu Akbar” each time. This is an act of worship that follows the Prophet’s (sall Allahu ‘alayhi was sallam) way and reminds us of the story of Prophet Ibrāhīm (alayhi salaam), who trusted Allah and repelled Shayṭān who tried to pull him off the right path.

Lesson for Us: Just like Prophet Ibrahim (alayhi salaam) was strong against temptation, we can try to be strong too.



Pilgrim's Haircut

Arabic: حلق الحاج | **Pronunciation:** HALQ al-HAJJ

At the end of Hajj, during the days of Eid al-Adha, pilgrims cut their hair as a special act of worship to show they are finishing their Hajj. Men shave their heads or cut their hair very short, and women trim just a small amount.

Reflection Questions for Families

For Younger Children (Ages 4-6):

- Which Eid tradition is your favorite? Why?
- How does your family celebrate Eid?
- What makes you feel happy on Eid?
- What is something kind you can do for someone next Eid?

For Older Children (Ages 7-8):

- Which Eid tradition is your favorite? Why?
- How are Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha the same? How are they different?
- Why do you think sharing with others is important on Eid?
- Which tradition helps you feel closer to Allah?
- How can you teach a friend about Eid traditions?

For the Whole Family:

- Which Eid tradition is your favorite? Why?
- How can we make sure our Eid celebrations include fun and faith?
- Which tradition reminds you most of the importance of community?
- How do our Eid traditions connect us to Muslims around the world?

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Educational Approach: All content has been adapted for ages 4-8 while maintaining Islamic accuracy.

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