

How to Use These Books

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The Mini Tafseer Book Series is designed to teach children the Tafseer (exegesis) of all the suwaar (chapters) in the 30th Part of the Qur'aan. Each book in this 38 book series covers a different surah. The books feature:

- Special facts about the surah
- Arabic text of the surah
- English transliteration (to assist non-Arabic speakers)
- English translation
- Simplified Tafseer
- Illustrations/Coloring pages (no animals/humans)
- Highlighted Arabic vocabulary
- Sahih Ahadith
- One sentence summary of what the surah is about
- Review section
- Notes on the text (additional facts and information)

Teaching Tips:

If your younger child has trouble going through the whole book in one sitting, or does not retain all of the information taught, then just focus on the Tafseer pages first (i.e. those that explain the verses of the surah) and save the additional information contained in the Quick Facts, What's Special, Asbaab An-Noozool, and Vocabulary sections* for later when your child has mastered the Tafseer.

For older or advanced students who need more of a challenge, you can take time to go through all sections and discuss the lesson notes for that section (located at the end of the text). This will make lessons more challenging and provide a deeper understanding of the Tafseer, and Allah knows best.

**Some books may not contain all of these sections.*

Preview

Mini Tafseer Book Series
Suratun-Naazi'aat

Quick Facts about Suratun-Naazi'aat

Suratun-Naazi'aat was revealed in **Makkah**. Thus, Suratun-Naazi'aat (like all other suwaar revealed in Makkah) is called a "**Makki**" surah.

Suratun-Naazi'aat gets its name from the word "**An-Naazi'aatee**", meaning "those that tear out" used in the first ayah of the surah.

What is Suratun-Naazi'aat all about?

Suratun-Naazi'aat tells us about the jobs of the **angels**, what will happen on **Yowmul-Qiyaamah**, and how those who reject Allah's message (like the Quraysh and Phirown), will be punished in this life and the next.

SPECIAL!
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Now let's learn what makes
Suratun-Naazi'aat so...

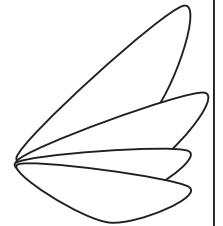
SPECIAL!
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Suratun-Naazi'aat is so
special because...

It is the only surah in the Qur'aan
named after...



Angels



...and it **talks more about angels** than
hardly any other surah in the Qur'aan.

After reading Suratun-Naazi'aat, you
will want to **find out more about angels**,
and the more you know, the more
fascinating the world of angels
becomes.

Now let's get ready to learn what
Suratun-Naazi'at is all about!

We will start by learning **8 new words**
from the Qur'aan.

The more words you know from the
Qur'aan, the better you will understand
each surah that you learn insha-Allah.

Understanding the Qur'aan is what Allah
wants us to do!

So let's get started
right now!

8 NEW WORDS!

those that tear out
(i.e. angels who take the
souls of the wicked)

النَّزَعَاتِ

(an-naa-zee-'aa-tee)

those that gently draw out
(i.e. angels who take the
souls of the righteous)

النَّشِطَاتِ

(an-naa-she-tau-tee)

those that glide
(i.e. angels)

السَّابِحَاتِ

(as-saa-be-aa-tee)

those that race
(i.e. angels)

السَّابِقَاتِ

(as-saa-be-qaa-tee)

commotion

الرَّاجِفَةُ

(ar-raa-gee-fah)

hearts

قُلُوبٌ

(qoo-loo-boon)

rotten

خِرَّةٌ

(na-khe-rah)

return

كَرَّةٌ

(kar-ra toon)

Now that we are ready,
we need to start the right way...

There are **two things** we should say before
we start reading a surah from the Qur'aan,
can you remember what they are?



#1 We say the Isti'aathah¹...

I seek refuge with Allah from the cursed Shaytaan.

(A-'oo-thoo-bil-laa-he-me-nash-shay-taa-nir-ra-jeem)

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ
الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

We start reading Qur'aan by asking
Allah to protect us from Shaytaan
and...

#2 We say the Basmallah²...

In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful.

(Bis-mil-laa-hir-rah-maa-nir-ra-heem)

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ
الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

We remember Allah and say how
great He is for giving us so many
wonderful blessings!

Okay!

We are ready to go now! You know your **new words** and you've said the **Isti'aathah** and **Basmallah**...

Now it is time to learn what **Suratun-Naazi'aat** says...

“By those (angels) who extract with violence (i.e. tear out the souls of the wicked);”

(Wan-naa-zee-‘aa-tee ghar-qaa)

وَالَّذِينَ عَرَفُوا
غَرَقًا

“And (by) those who remove with ease (i.e. the souls of the blessed);”

(Wan-naa-shee-taa-tee nash-taa)

وَالَّذِينَ نَشِطُوا
نَشْطًا

“And (by) those who glide (as if) swimming (i.e. on errands of mercy);”

(Was-saa-bee-haa-tee sab-haa)

وَالَّذِينَ سَبَّحُوا
السَّابِحَاتِ

“And those who race each other in a race (i.e. to deliver the souls of the good to Paradise);”

(Fas-saa-bee-qaa-tee sab-qaa)

فَالَّذِينَ سَبَقُوا
السَّابِقَاتِ

“And those who arrange (each) matter (i.e. the Commands of their Lord);”

(Fal-moo-dab-bee-raa-tee am-rah)

فَالَّذِينَ أَمَرُوا
أَمْرًا

Allah swears by the angels...

Allah swears by things that are very true and real, that what is to come is **just as true and real.**

In these ayaat Allah **swears by angels** that perform important jobs that Yowmul-Qiyaamah is definitely going to happen.

The World of Angels

Believing in the angels is one of the **Arkaanul-Imaan** (Six Articles of Faith³) required of a Muslim. So, as believers, we know that the angels are true and real, and swearing by them increases us in faith.

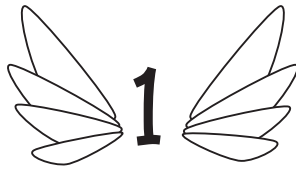
But what if someone does not know about angels, or has an **incorrect understanding of angels**?

For those people, Suratun-Naazi'aat gives a **quick and important lesson**.

Some people think angels **don't exist**, others say they **only do good things**, and others think that angels are the **children or partners of Allah**,
Subhan-Allah!

But Allah sets the record straight by telling us the truth; **angels are His servants**. They do what they are told, and they do tasks that are both **pleasant and unpleasant**.

Let's learn about the **five types** of angels (and their jobs) that Allah has sworn by in Suratun-Naazi'aat...



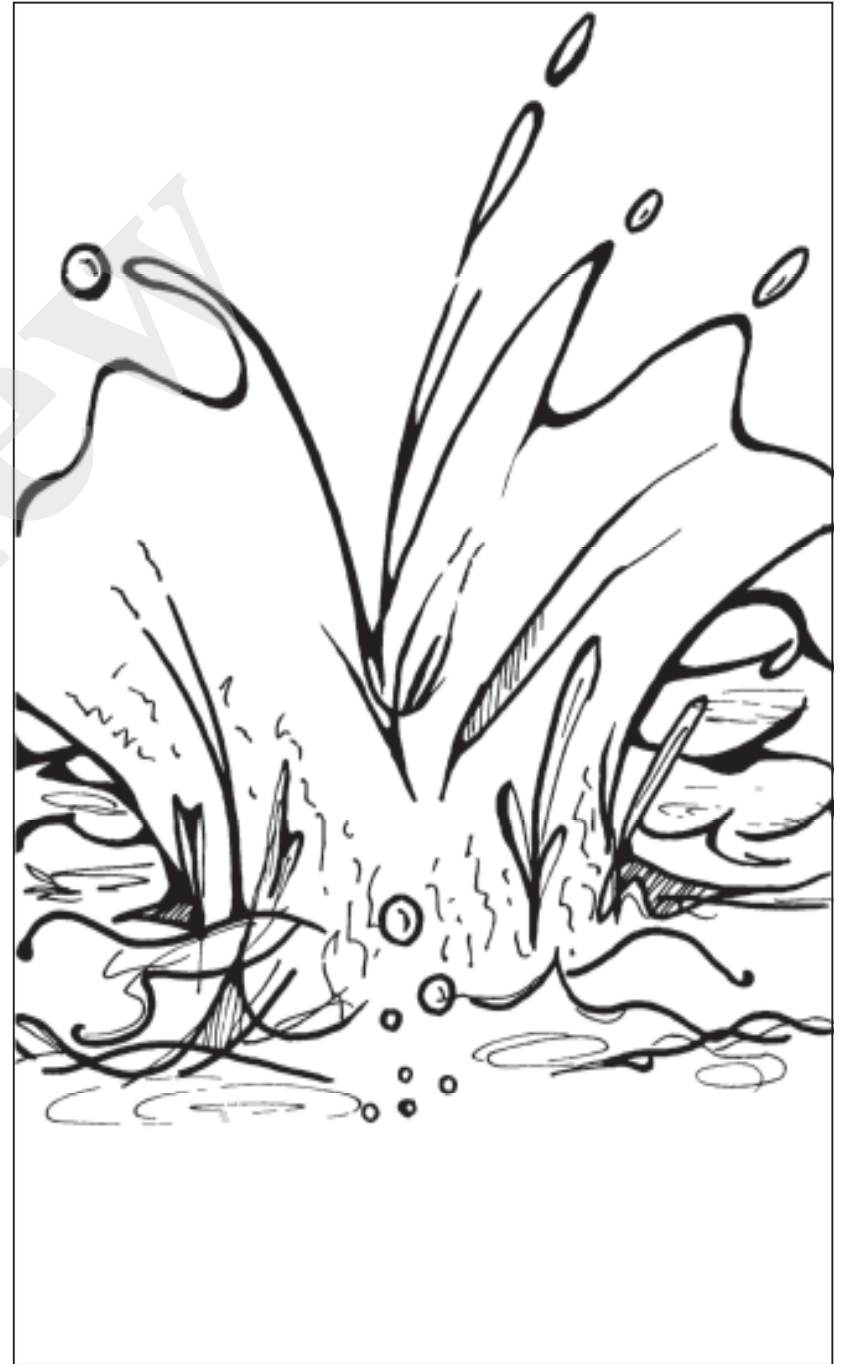
Angels that tear out with violence...

Angels **remove our souls** from our bodies at the moment of death. But how they take the soul is based on **how we lived our lives...**

The **wicked souls will not want to leave their body** (because they know they will face punishment when they go to Allah), so they will struggle to stay.

The angels who take these souls are terrible and terrifying! They will come in the most **frightening form**, and they will **violently tear** the soul out of its body without any mercy. The struggle will be like the person who is **drowning** and struggling to survive.⁴

The soul will thrash about and try to avoid coming out, it will only come out with great **suffering and pain**.



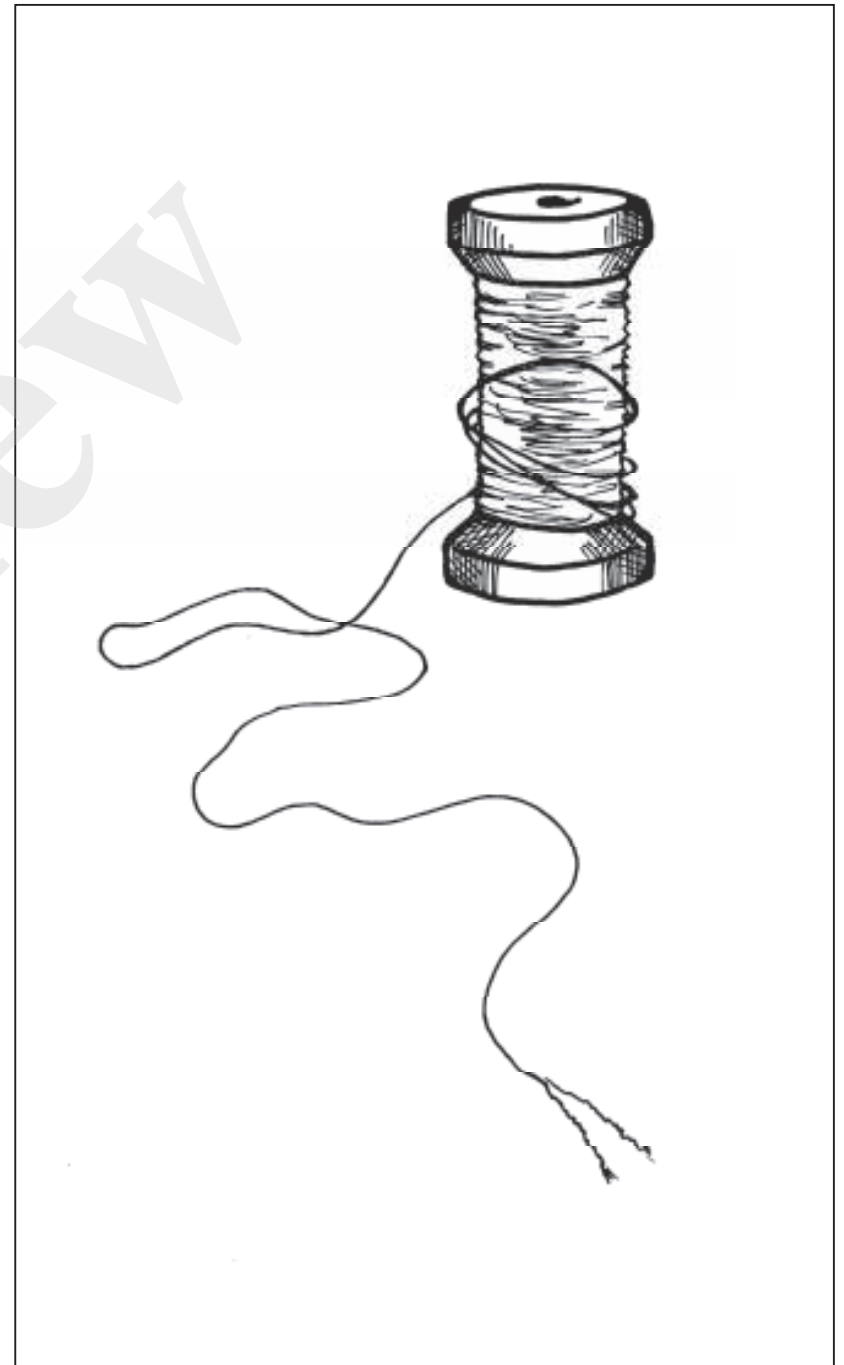


Angels that remove with ease...

The **righteous souls will be eager to leave their body** (because they know they will be meeting Allah, whom they dedicated their lives to), so they will easily come out of their body.

The angels who take these souls are compassionate and caring. They will come in the most **beautiful form**, greet the soul warmly, and then **gently ease** it out of its body. The gentleness will be like when someone is **unraveling a thread** and it comes loose effortlessly.⁵

The soul will smoothly leave its body, coming out with **ease and comfort**.





Angels that glide, race, and arrange...

These angels are dispatched all around the **heavens and earth** as they are directed by Allah.

They **quickly** move about, **easily** accomplishing all the tasks Allah has assigned to them.

At the end of this book you will learn **more about angels and their jobs**, right now let's get back to Suratun-Naazi'aat...





Angels 101

A quick guide to all things angelic!



Angels' Jobs

Let's take a moment to learn about some of the jobs of the angels (only Allah knows all of them).¹⁴

Angel Type	Job Description
Kiraaman Kaateeben ¹⁵ (Qur'aan 82:10-12)	Write down our good and bad deeds.
An-Naazi'aat (Qur'aan 79:1)	Tear out the souls of the wicked at death.
An-Naashitaat (Qur'aan 79:2)	Ease out the souls of the righteous at death.
As-Saabihaat (Qur'aan 79:3)	Glide and carry out the commands of Allah.
As-Saabiqaat (Qur'aan 79:4)	Race to carry out the commands of Allah.
Al-Moodubbeeraat (Qur'aan 79:5)	Arrange affairs by the command of Allah.
Az-Zabaaniyah (Qur'aan 97:17-18 & 74:27-31)	19 guards of Jahannam that punish the wicked.
Al-Moo'aqibaat (Qur'aan 13:10-11)	Protectors who go in front and behind each human.
As-Safarah (Qur'aan 80:15)	Ambassadors that guard the Qur'aan.
Hamalaat Al-Arsh (Qur'aan 40:7)	Carry the throne of Allah.

Angels' Names

Angels' names often **rhyme**, especially when they work together in **pairs**.

Gibreel (Qur'aan 2:97-98)	The highest ranking angel in charge of the other angels, and the one appointed to bring revelation to the prophets.
Mikaeel (Qur'aan 2:97-98)	The angel in charge of clouds, rain, and crops on the earth.
Israfeel ¹⁶	The angel who will blow the horn to start Yowmul-Qiyaamah.
Malik Al-Mowt ¹⁷ (Qur'aan 32:11)	The angel of death, who is in charge of taking the souls at death.
Maalik (Qur'aan 43:37, 74-77)	The angel in charge of Jahannam.
Munkar & Nakir ¹⁸	The two angels that question us in the grave.
Haroot & Maaroot ¹⁹ (Qur'aan 2:102)	The two angels that were sent by Allah to Babylon to unveil the magicians' secrets, so that the people would not grant power to, or practice, magic themselves.

Angels' Physical Characteristics ²⁰

We know that angels are created from **light**, that they are **unseen** (to us), and that they can **change form** by the will of Allah.

In their natural form, angels have **2, 3, or 4 pairs of wings**. However, the greatest angels (like Angel Gibreel) have up to **600 wings!**

Angels can be **extremely large**, they are not **male or female**, and they **cannot commit sins**. They also do not eat, sleep, use the bathroom, get married, or have children.

Angels can look **very beautiful** and happy, but they can also look **terrifying** like monsters when dealing with the wicked.

When angels come in human form they come as **young men** who are **exceedingly handsome**, and look **very neat** (no signs of dust from travelling, or wrinkled clothes etc.)