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## How to Use These Books

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  
**Suratul-Ikhlaas**

## Quick Facts About Suratul-Ikhlaas...

Suratul-Ikhlaas was  
revealed in Makkah.

Suratul-Ikhlaas has only  
**four ayaat** (verses).

Suratul-Ikhlaas tells us more about  
Allah than any other surah!

**Suratul-Ikhlaas is  
ALL about Allah!**

SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!

Now let's learn what makes  
Suratul-Ikhlaas so...

~~SPECIAL!~~  
SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!  
SPECIAL!

The **first** thing that is **so special** about Suratul-Ikhlaas is...

Whoever truly loves Allah, and loves Suratul-Ikhlaas (because it is all about Allah), will...

Enter  
Jannah!

There was an Ansaari<sup>1</sup> man at the time of Rasulullah ﷺ, who loved Allah so much that he would **recite Suratul-Ikhlaas in every prayer!**

He did this even when he was leading other people in prayer at the masjid.<sup>2</sup> He did it for every salaah, every day, all year long!

The people were getting tired of the same surah all the time. They thought he should **stop doing that**.

So, they went to Rasulullah ﷺ to complain. Rasulullah ﷺ asked the man why he liked to recite Suratul-Ikhlaas all the time. The man replied that he loved it. Then Rasulullah ﷺ said...

**“Your love of it will cause you to enter Jannah.”<sup>3</sup>**



The **second** thing that is **so special** about Suratul-Ikhlaas is that...

Rasulullahﷺ loved reciting it **3 times** (along with Suratun-Naas and Suratul-Falaq) before he **went to sleep** each night!

Rasulullah's wife, Aishahؓ, said that before the Prophetﷺ went to bed he would blow into his hands, recite Suratul-Ikhlaas, Suratun-Naas and Suratul-Falaq, and then wipe his hands over his whole body (head and face first, then the front of his body, then as far as he could reach). He would do this **three times**.<sup>4</sup>

Do you recite Suratul-Ikhlaas  
before you go to bed?



The **third** thing that is **so special** about Suratul-Ikhlaas is...

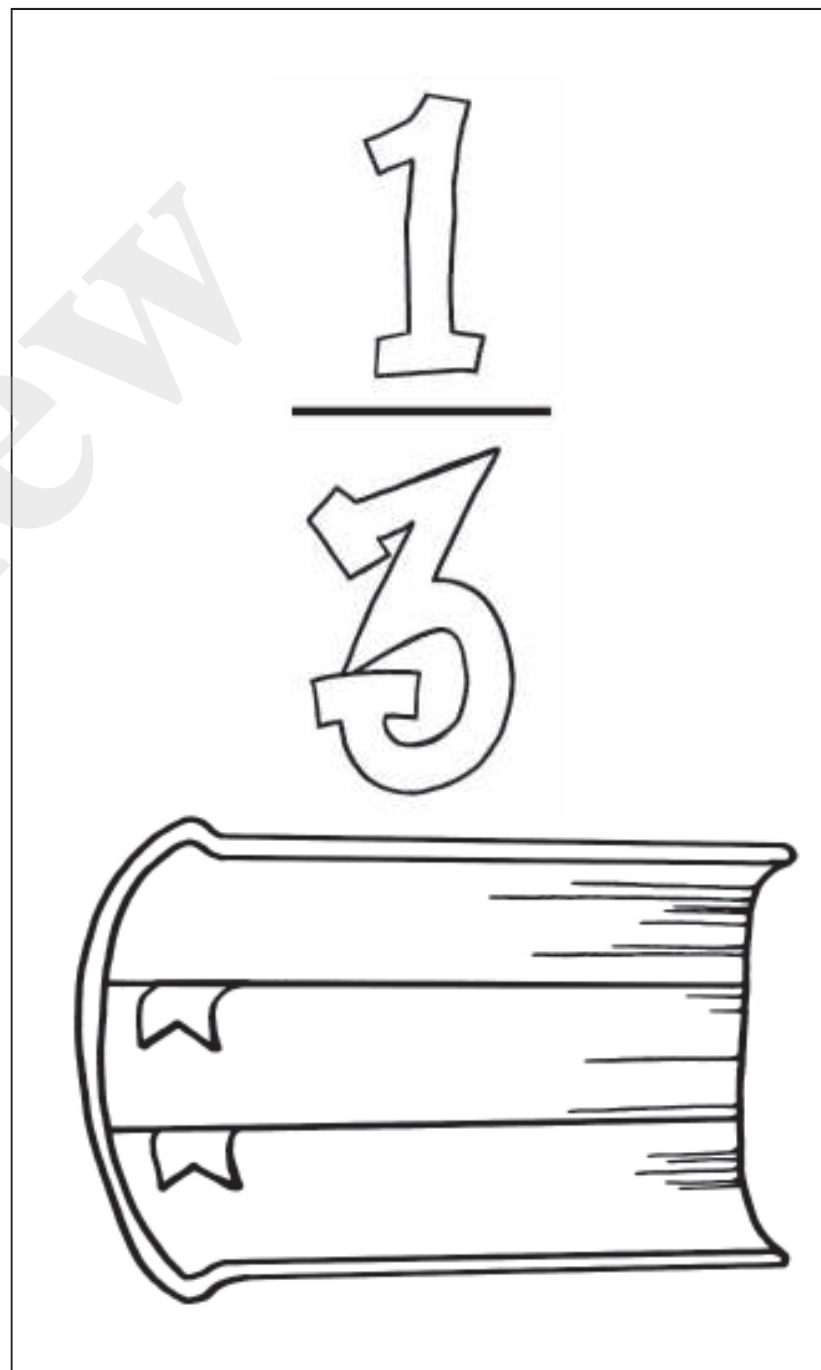
Rasulullah ﷺ said to his companions, "Is one of you not able to recite **a third of the Qur'an** in a single night?"

This was something that was difficult for them and they said, "Which of us is able to do that, Oh Messenger of Allah ﷺ?"

So he ﷺ replied, "Allah is the One, As-Samad..." (i.e. Suratul-Ikhlaas) is **a third of the Qur'an.**"<sup>5</sup>

You can remember that the reward of reading Suratul-Ikhlaas is equal to the reward of reading a **third** of the Qur'aan because...

- 1) Suratul-Ikhlaas is the **third** surah from the end of the Qur'aan, and
- 2) This reward is the **third** thing that makes Suratul-Ikhlaas so special!



## Now let's get ready to learn more about Suratul-Ikhlaas...

We will start by learning **5 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!

# 5 NEW WORDS!

## Vocabulary List

Keep a look out for the following vocabulary words while you read! These words will help you remember the meaning of Suratul-Ikhlaas, insha-Allah!

one  
(In this case, Allah is "One")

أَحَدٌ  
(a-had)

The Eternal  
(This is a name of Allah)

الصَّمَدُ  
(as-sa-mud)

to have/be a child  
(In this case, Allah does not have children, nor was He ever a child)

يَلِدٌ / يُوَلِّدٌ  
(ya-lid/yoo-lud)

equal or comparable  
(In this case, nothing is like Allah)

كُفُوًا  
(koo-foo-wun)

**Bonus:** After you finish reading the tafseer, come back to this page and circle the vocabulary word that is used **twice** in this surah!



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

You see, Allah and Rasulallahﷺ have taught us the **right way** to do everything, even the right way to start reciting from the Qur'aan!

There are **two things** we should say before we start reading a surah from the Qur'aan, and you will learn about these two things right now...



Color in your numbers!

## #1 We say the Isti'aathah<sup>6</sup>...

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 Basmallah<sup>7</sup>...

In the name of Allah, the Entirely Merciful,  
the Especially 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 about **Suratul-Ikhlaas**...

**A very strange question...**

Many of the ayaat (verses) in the Qur'aan have a story behind them that tells why they were revealed. These stories are called...

**Asbaab**

**An-Noozool**

The story behind the revelation of **Suratul-Ikhlaas** starts with a question, and it was a strange one!

**You see the people at the time of  
Rasulullah ﷺ used to worship in  
different ways...**

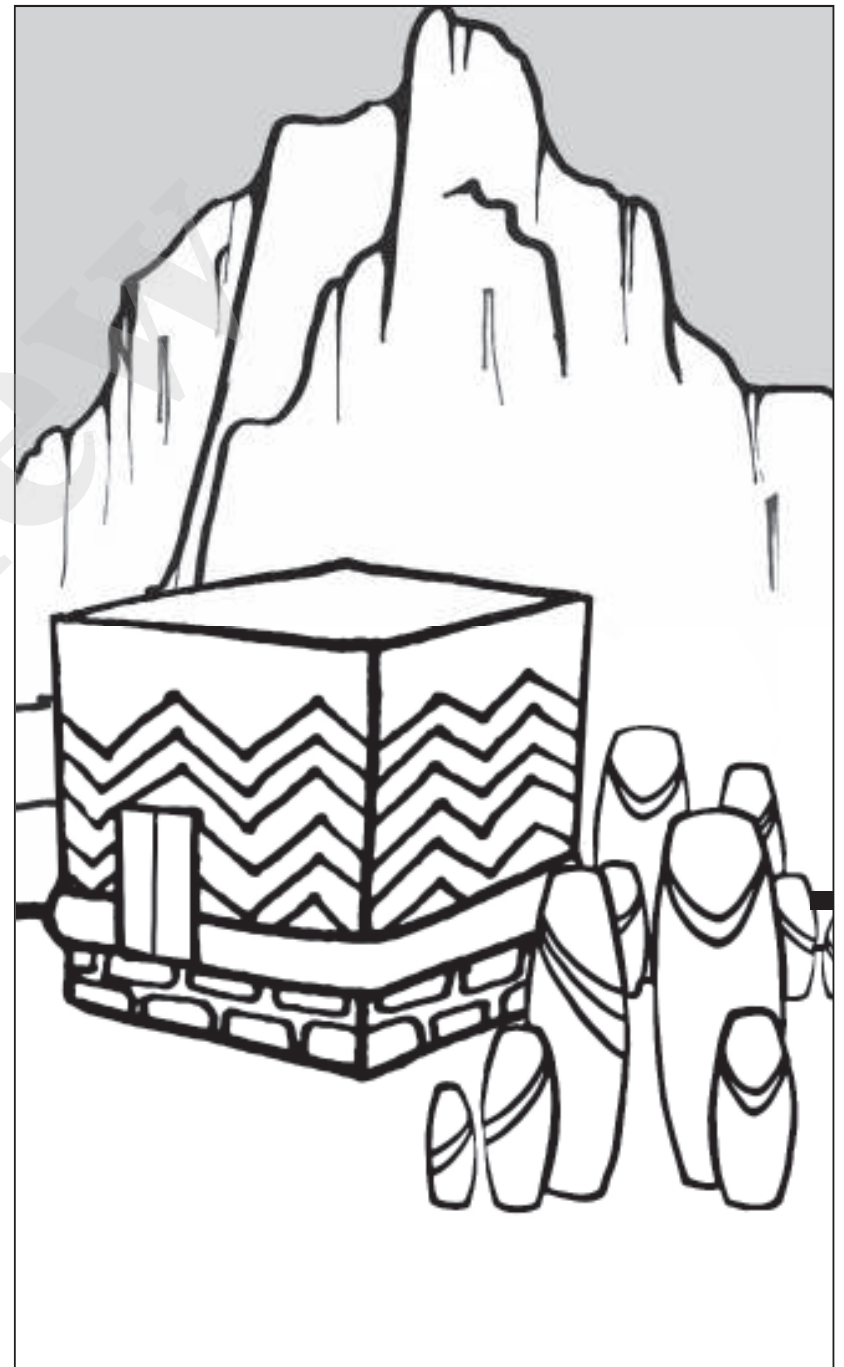
There were Jews, Christians,  
Zoroastrians, and Idolaters.

The people of Makkah (i.e. Quraysh)  
were **idolaters** (people who worship  
idols, or figures that represent gods).

They used to carve their gods out of  
wood, sculpt them out of clay, or cut  
them from stone. They had about  
**360 idols** in all; one for almost every  
day in the year!

The Quraysh kept their idols in the  
**Kaabah**, and people from all over  
Arabia would come to Makkah to bring  
gifts to the idols and pray to them.

They believed that gods were **related**  
to each other through marriage or by  
having children.



When Rasulullahﷺ started teaching the people in Makkah to worship only **one God**, the Quraysh did not like it.

They were used to worshipping father gods and son gods, mother goddesses and daughter goddesses.

So, they asked Rasulullahﷺ a very strange question. They asked Rasulullahﷺ to tell them about the **family of Allah!**<sup>8</sup>

**What do you think his answer was?**

Rasulullahﷺ waited for Allah to answer their question, and He did, by **revealing Suratul-Ikhlaas**.

Allah is very merciful, even merciful to those who worship other gods. Allah wanted the Quraysh to worship Him alone and give up all of their idols. Allah wanted them to worship only **one God**.



## Just so you know...

The Kaabah was first built by Prophet Ibraaheemؑ and his son Prophet Ismaa'eelؑ, and they intended it for the worship of **Allah alone**.

But, the people who came after them began to worship more gods. By the time of Rasulallahﷺ, the Kaabah was filled with idols, and it was **idolaters** (the Quraysh), who owned and took care of the Kaabah.

But, Allah wanted all the idols removed from the Kaabah, and no one can stop the plan of Allah.

So, years after the revelation of Suratul-Ikhlaas, Rasulallahﷺ made Hijrah (migration to Madinah), where the Muslims would be safe from the Quraysh.

Once settled there, the Muslims gathered an army, and Allah told Rasulallahﷺ to go back to Makkah to conquer it for the Muslims.

Rasulallahﷺ did this peacefully, without harming the people of Makkah who had for so many years harmed the Muslims.

Once Makkah was under the leadership of Rasulallahﷺ, **all of the idols were removed from the Kaabah** and no idols have been allowed there ever since.

## Now back to Suratul-Ikhlaas...

Allah revealed Suratul-Ikhlaas to answer the question of the Quraysh, so that they would know who Allah really is.

Suratul-Ikhlaas tells us more about Allah than any other surah!

Suratul-Ikhlaas tells us  
**5 very important things about Allah.**

**Let's see what they are...**

“Say: He is Allah, (who is) One;”

(Qool hoo-wal-laa-hoo a-had)

قُلْ هُوَ

اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ

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