Stories of the Prophets

ACTIVITY PACKS



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Aadam عليه السلام was the First man created by Allaah and he was also the First Prophet sent by Allaah. Do you remember why Allaah sent Prophets and Messengers? Yes, Allaah sent Prophets and Messengers to guide people and to call them to worship Allaah alone and to abandon Shirk (Associating partners with Allaah).

After the death of Aadam عليه السلام for ten generations (Qarn - it means either century or a generation of people) people worshipped Allaah alone without associating partners with Allaah, or worshipping anyone other than Allaah along with him (performing Shirk). After those pious generations passed away, people slowly started worshipping idols. Do you know how did Shirk begin for the first time on this earth? Let's try answering the following questions!

1. Who were Wadd, Suwa, Yaghuth, Ya'uq, and Nasr?

They were the names of pious people who lived at the time when all people were worshipping only Allaah.

2. When the above mentioned people died what did Shaitaan inspire to the people of that time?

Shaitaan inspired to make statues of them in places where they used to sit when they were alive and to call statues by their (Wadd, Suwa....) names.

3. What did the people do?

The people did as Shaitaan inspired them, built statues.

4. What reason did the people give for their action of making these statues?

The people said this would encourage them to worship Allaah whenever they remembered the statues.

5. Did the people worship these statues at the beginning?

No, these statues were not worshipped during that generation. They worshipped only Allaah.

6. When that generation of people died what happened?

Iblees came to the next generation of people and lied to them by saying "Your Forefathers used to worship them". So the people started worshipping them.

7. What is the first thing to be worshipped other than Allaah?

An Idol named Wadd.

Read the conversation below and write who said to whom.

1. "Worship Allaah you have no God but Him. I fear for you a punishment of a Dreadful Day" (7:59)

Nooh عليه السلام to his people.

2. "O my people! I am for you a clear warner, that you worship Allaah, and fear Him and obey Him" (71:2,3)

Nooh عليه السلام to his people.

3. ".... "we find you in a clear error" (7:60)

.عليه السلام Nooh's People to Nooh

4. "O my people! There is no error in me, I am the Messenger from the Lord of the worlds. I convey to you the Messages of my Lord, and advise you, and I know from Allaah what you do not know"

Nooh عليه السلام to his people.

5. "We see you but a man like ourselves, nor do we see any follow you but the meanest among us and they (too) followed you without thinking. And we do not see in you any merit above us, in fact we think you are liars." (11:27)

عليه السلام Nooh's people to Nooh

6. "O my people! Just consider, if I have a clear sign from my Lord, and He has bestowed His Mercy upon me, which has obscured from your sight, shall we compel you to accept it when you are averse to it?" (11:28)

to his people عليه السلام

7. ".... I do not ask of you any reward for this, my reward rests only with Allaah" (11:29)

to his people عليه السلام Nooh

8. "I shall not drive away those who believe, indeed they shall meet their Lord, but I see you are ignorant people" (11:29)

to his people عليه السلام

9. "And I do not say to you that I possess the Treasures of Allaah, or that I know the Unseen, or that I am an angel" 11:31)

to his people عليه السلام

10. "and I do not say of those whom your eyes look down upon that Allaah will not bestow any good on them. Allaah knows what is in their inner-selves (as regards belief, etc.). In that case, I should, indeed be one of the Zaalimoon (wrong-doers, oppressors, etc.)." (11:31)

to his people عليه السلام

Challenge! The above aayaahs were taken from 3 different soorahs. Write down the names of the Soorahs that are mentioned above.

Soorah Number	Name of the Soorah
71 -	Soorah Nooh
7 -	Soorah Al A'raaf
11 -	Soorah Hud

Let us see what Allaah says in the Qur'aan. Can you write who said to whom?

1. ""If You leave them, they will mislead Your slaves, and they will beget none but wicked disbelievers." (71:27)

to Allaah عليه السلام Nooh

2. "...." Certainly you have disputed with us and have prolonged our dispute. So bring now that you have threatened us with, if you are speaking the Truth" (11:32)

عليه السلام Nooh's People to Nooh

3. "Allaah will bring it you if He wills, and you will not be able to escape". (11:33)

to his People عليه السلام

4. "All my advice would be of no benefit to you if Allaah has ordained for you to be left astray, even if it is my desire to advise you. he is your Lord and unto Him shall you return". (11:34)

to his people عليه السلا

5. "No more of your people shall believe in you other than those who have already believed. So grieve no longer at their misdeeds". (11:36)

عليه السلام Allaah to Nooh

6. "My Lord! My people have rejected me. So make judgment between me and them, and rescue me and the believers with me". (26:117, 118)

to Allaah عليه السلام

7. "Construct the Ark under Our Eyes and as Our Revelation, and address Me no further on behalf of those who have been unjust, they shall be drowned" (11:37)

عليه السلام Allaah to Nooh

8. "If you ridicule us now, we shall jeer at you likewise" (11:38)

to his people عليه السلام

Write True or False for the following statements.

- 1. Nooh عليه lived amongst his people for 950 years. True
- 2. The people of Nooh عليه challenged him to bring down Allaah's punishment. True
- 3. Allaah mentions in Soorah number 29 in the Qur'aan that Nooh عليه lived for 950 years. True
- 4. Allaah revealed to Nooh عليه that all his people will become believers soon. False
- 5. Nooh په asked Allaah to rescue him against his people. True
- 6. Allaah comforted Nooh عليه by saying that he has completed his task of calling his people to Tawheed and that Allaah would send His punishment soon. True
- 7. Allaah commanded Nooh عليه to construct a huge Air Plane. False
- 8. People of Nooh عليه were making fun out of him when he was constructing. True
- 9. On the Day of Judgment the people of Nooh عليه will deny that Nooh عليه was sent to guide them. True
- 10. We the Ummah of Muhammad عليه will not bear witness on the Day of Judgment that Allaah sent Nooh عليه in truth and that he conveyed this truth to his people. False
- warned his people about the coming of Ad Dajjaal. **True**

Now let's see how Allaah sent His punishment upon the people of Nooh عليه السلام and how He saved Nooh عليه السلام and the believers.

Fill in the blanks. Choose the correct words from the box.

few	rejected	My Lord!	flood	son	swallow
animal	family	sailed	water	drowned	Judi
earth	punishment	waves	heaven	raining	soul
name					

- 1. When the earth started gushing forth water from everywhere Allaah commanded Nooh عليه to load in the Ark every kind of animal male and female, and all those which have a soul
- 2. Allaah also ordered him to take with him his family except those who have rejected his call.
- **3.** Allaah also commanded Nooh عليه not to speak to Him about them when the punishment has arrived.
- **4.** Only few believed in Nooh عليه.
- 5. Allaah commanded Nooh عليه to embark upon the ark and say " Praise be to Allaah Who has saved us from the evildoers, "My Lord! Let my landing be blessed for you are the best who give harbor".
- 6. Nooh عليه ordered his people to embark upon the Ark in the Name of Allaah.
- 7. The Ark sailed with them upon waves like mountains.
- **8.** Allaah punished the people of Nooh عليه with a huge flood that the earth has never witnessed.
- **9.** The earth gushed forth water and the gates of heaven opened up with pouring water.
- **10.** Nooh's عليه son refused to embark on to the ark and Allaah drowned him with all those who disbelieved.
- **11.** When no one was left, of those who were wrongdoers and who worshipped other than Allaah, Allaah commanded the earth to swallow up the water and heaven to cease raining
- 12. Then the Ark came to rest upon Mount Judi

Well done. Now let us look into a very important conversation. Can you write who said this to whom.

1. "O My son! Embark with us, and do not be with the disbelievers". (11:42)

to his son عليه السلام Nooh

2. "I will betake myself to the mountain that will protect me from the water" (11:42)

عليه السلام Nooh's son to Nooh

3. "There is no protector today from Allaah's Decree, except that He should have Mercy". (11:43)

to his son عليه السلام Nooh

4. "O My Lord! My son is of my family, and Your Promise is true and You are the Most Just of the judges". (11:45)

to Allaah عليه السلام

5. "He is not of your family, his conduct is unrighteous. So do not ask Me about that which you have no knowledge. I admonish you lest you should become one of the ignorants". (11:46)

عليه السلام Allaah to Nooh

6. "My Lord in You I seek refuge, lest I should ask of You anything which I have no knowledge. So if You do not forgive me and have mercy upon me, I shall be one of the losers". (11:47)

to Allaah عليه السلام

7. "O Nooh! Descend in Peace from Us, and with blessings upon you and upon the nations of those with you, and some nations We shall give them enjoyment for a time, and then We shall afflict with a grievous chastisement". (11:48)

عليه السلام Allaah to Nooh

When death approached Nooh عليه السلام he called his children and gave them his last advice. He commanded them with two things and forbade them with two things. Read the paragraphs below carefully and answer the questions.

Abdullaah Ibn Umar narrated: The Messenger of Allaah عليه said "When death approached Prophet Nooh عليه , he gave his last advice to his children, and said: "I am going to tell you my will: I am enjoining upon you two things and forbidding you from two things. I enjoin upon you to keep with the belief that there is none worthy of worship but Allaah. If the seven heavens and seven earths were to be put on one side of the scale, and the word " الله "Laa ilaaha illallaah" on the other, the latter will outweigh and excel the former. And I forbid you from shirk (associating partners with Allaah), and arrogance and haughtiness"

عليه Ibn Umar says that it was said to the Prophet : "O Messenger of Allaah We know what Shirk means: but what is haughtiness? Does that mean when one of us! عليه has a pair of beautiful shoes with beautiful laces?" The Prophet "No". Then somebody said: " Is it to have a good dress and wear it?". The Prophet عليه replied again: "No". Another person asked him whether or not it is to have an animal to عليه said: "No". He was again asked whether it has anything ride on it? The Prophet to do with friendship and sitting together with them? The Prophet said: "No". They then asked him: "Then what is haughtiness (Kibr)?" The Prophet علبه said: "Haughtiness is to reject the Truth and despise the People."

(Musnad of Imaam Ahmed)

1. How do we call something like the above which is a transmission of what the Messenger of Allaah عليه said, did and approved of?

Hadeeth

2. Who narrated it?

Abdullaah ibn Umar

3. Where would you find this hadeeth narrated?

In the Musnad of Imaam Ahmed

4. How many things did Nooh عليه enjoin upon his children?

Two things

5. How many things did he forbid them from?

Two things

6. How many heavens and how many earths are there according to this hadeeth?

Seven heavens and seven earths

7. According to the statement of Nooh عليه write which would weigh heavier in the scale?

Laa ilaaha illallaah

8. What is the Arabic term for haughtiness?

Kibr

9. Write some synonyms for "haughtiness"?

arrogance, pride, conceit, vanity

10. According to the hadeeth, is wearing beautiful shoes and dresses considered arrogance?

No

11. Is sitting and talking with friends considered haughtiness?

No

12. What is haughtiness according to Islaam?

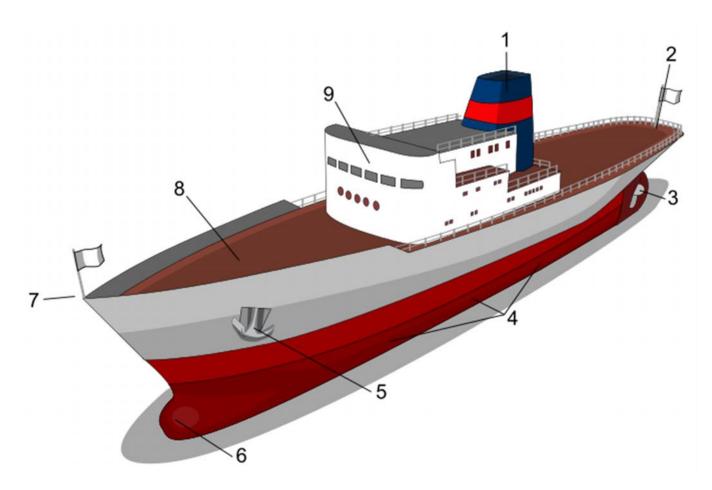
Haughtiness is rejecting the truth and despising people

Some scholars says that the flood water went 15 cubits above the highest mountain of the earth. Some others says that it was 80 cubits above it and encompassed the whole earth from its east to its west, its plains and mountains, its deserts and wilds. Everything dies as a result of this flood. And Allaah knows best!

Maashaa Allaah! That ends the Story of Nooh عليه السلام the First Messenger sent by Allaah.

Activity - Labelling a Ship

Here is a diagram for you to know how a Ship looks today! (Taken from Wikimedia)



Use an encyclopedia and find out each parts of the ship above and write them. The parts of the ship are all mixed up below.

Funnel (Chimney) Stern Propeller Portside Bow Deck Anchor
Bulbous Bow
Super structure

Answers and explanation for this could be found here http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Ship_diagram-numbers.svg

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Activity - Geography Fun Floods

Make a little booklet on Floods. Use an encyclopedia and find out the following information to include in your little booklet. Use pictures to make it nice. Include a Quraanic Aayah about the Nooh's flood. Remember the following are only scientific explanation, but we as Muslims understand that it is Allaah Who caused all of that to take place. That it is all from the Might of Allaah. And according to scholars it is not correct for us to call Floods, earthquakes and Tsunamis as "natural disasters".

All details for the Booklet could be found here

http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/encyclopedia/flood/?ar_a=1

http://environment.nationalgeographic.com/environment/natural-disasters/floods-profile/

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_floods

http://www.kidcyber.com.au/topics/floods.htm

Activity - Vocab Fun

Write a rhyming word for each of the following words

1. Propagate chocolate, ate, celebrate

2. Prolong along, belong, song

3. Disseminate affectionate, cooperate, debate

4. Generation collaboration, fascination, celebration

5. Beget forget, to -let, let

6. Ridicule molecule, rule, scedule

7. Embark earmark, mark, remark

8. Chastisement advertisement, adornment, beneficent

9. Encompass canvass, bypass, grass

10. Deck neck, peck, shipwreck

Use the above words and write next to the correct meaning.

1. This means mocking someone ridicule

2. This means giving birth beget

3. This means to lengthen in duration prolong

4. This means a platform extending from one side to the ship to the other deck

5. This means all of the people living at the same time period generation

6. This means spread information propagate

7. This means spread information too disseminate

8. This means board a ship embark

9. This means surround encompass

10. This means punishment chastisement

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