



Ramadan



Ramadan is the ninth month in the Islamic calendar that is based on the moon.

Fasting is one of the duties or **Five Pillars** of Islam.



It is a very important time for Muslims and Ramadan is celebrated all over the world.

During the month of Ramadan

Muslims fast. They are only allowed to eat and drink before the sun rises and after the sun sets



Fasting begins very early in the morning.

This meal is very filling. It is called **Suhoor**.



At the end of the day after sunset the families all eat together. This meal is called **Iftar**.



If you cannot fast you must donate money to feed the poor. This is known as **Zakah**. During Ramadan Muslims spend more time reading the Qur'an.



The end of Ramadan is celebrated when the new moon is seen. This is called **Eid-al-Fitr**. People wear new clothes and go to mosque to pray then families and friends get together to eat and celebrate.

