

How does tawhid create a sense of belonging to the Muslim community?

Allah	The one true God in Islam.
Kaaba	The shrine located near the centre of the Great Mosque in Mecca and considered by Muslims everywhere to be the most sacred spot on Earth.
hajj	The pilgrimage that Muslims make to Mecca to worship Allah. Muslims are asked to go at least once during their lifetime.
Muhammad	The last prophet, chosen by Allah. He was revered and respected but not worshipped as only Allah can be worshipped.
five pillars of Islam	The 5 main beliefs of Islam: profession of faith (shahada), prayer (salat), alms (zakat), fasting (sawm), pilgrimage (hajj).
prophet	Someone through whom God speaks or tells the people what will happen in the future.
Qur'an	The Islamic sacred text.
tawhid	The key belief in Islam that there is only 1 God, everything comes from Allah.
ummah	The community of those who practice Islam.

Muslims believe that there is only one God .

Everything comes from Allah.

Allah is eternal and infinite.

Muslims believe that all humans come from God and will go back to God when they die.

Muhammad told Muslims to submit to Allah and worship no-one else. This is recorded in the Qur'an.

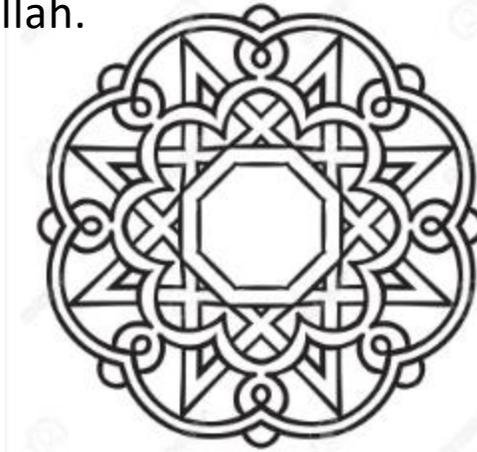
The Qur'an (Koran)

The sacred Islamic text. It is written in Arabic and is read from right to left and back to front.



Islamic patterns

Many Islamic patterns are designed to show tawhid: the circular nature of the patterns shows the fact that Allah made everything, everything is part of Allah and everything will return to Allah.



The Kaaba (The cube)

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Tier 2 words

culture

The ideas, customs and social behaviour of a group of people.

tradition

A set of beliefs passed from generation to generation.