

30 CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FOR RAMADAN

1. Sight the moon

Try to sight the moon from an elevated location in your neighborhood. Memorize and say the dua for sighting the new moon.

Dua on seeing the New Moon (Hilaal)

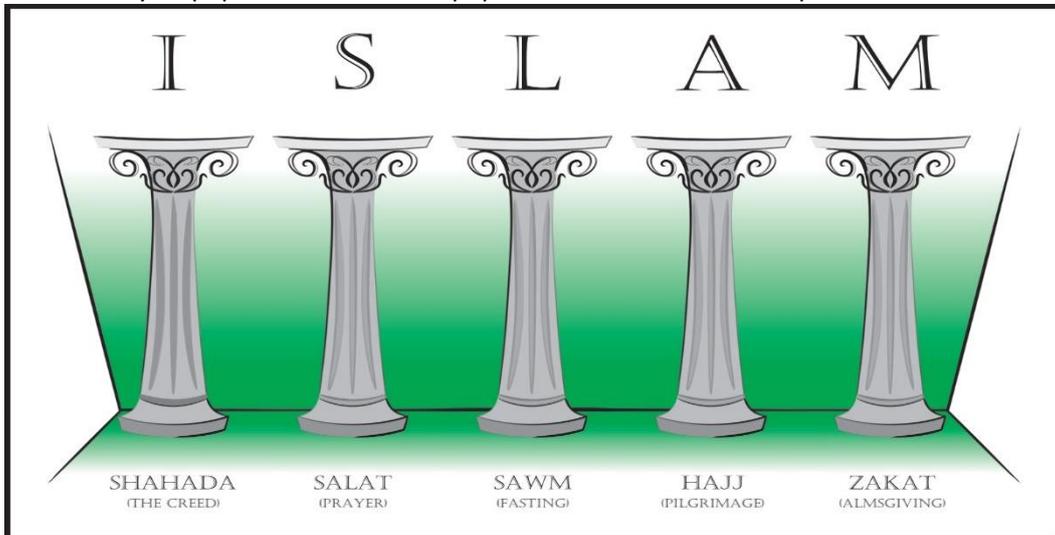
اَللّٰهُمَّ اِهْلِهٖ عَلَيْنَا بِالْاَمْنِ وَ الْاِيْمَانِ
وَ السَّلَامَةِ وَ الْاِسْلَامِ، وَ التَّوْفِيْقِ لِمَا تُحِبُّ وَ تَرْضٰى،
رَبَّنَا وَ رَبُّكَ اللهُ

Allah is the Most Great. O Allah, bring us the new moon with security and Faith, with peace and in Islam, and in harmony with what our Lord loves and what pleases Him. Our Lord and your Lord is Allah.

Tirmidhi 5/504, Ad-Daarimi 1/336. See also Al-Albani, Sahih Tirmidhi 3/157.

2. Review the pillars of islam

Recycle paper towel or tissue paper rolls to create the five pillars of islam.



3. Good deeds calendar

Make a calendar of good deeds that children can do everyday. They can be as simple as hugging a sibling or eating everything on their plate at dinner. SmartArk has an cute, colorful printable good deeds Ramadan calendar.



4. Star and crescent cookies

Bake star and crescent sugar cookies for your neighbors and attach a little note about Ramadhan.



5. Sadaqah jar

Make and decorate a sadaqah jar or box from, for example, an empty pasta sauce jar or tissue box. Collect coins from around the house, in the neighborhood, or allowances. Give it to a needy person at Eid.



6. Fasting chain

Use construction paper to cut strips and make a fasting chain for the family or each person fasting. You can make 29/30 strips to countdown or add on a strip a day.



7. Prepare to break the fast

Give your child the responsibility to fill a small dish with dates each evening and distribute the dates to each fasting person at iftar.

8. Pillowcase prayer rugs

Decorate a pillow case with fabric paint.

9. Make your own dhikr beads

Use string and plastic beads to make dhikr beads. Try to remember as many names of Allah as you can.

10. Ka'ba pop-up cards

Make ka'ba pop-up cards for Ramadhan or Eid to give to friends and family

11. Tin can luminary

Make your own tin can luminary using a can opener, hammer and screwdriver to make the holes. Light the luminary during the night of Lailat al-Qadr and last 10 nights of Ramadan.

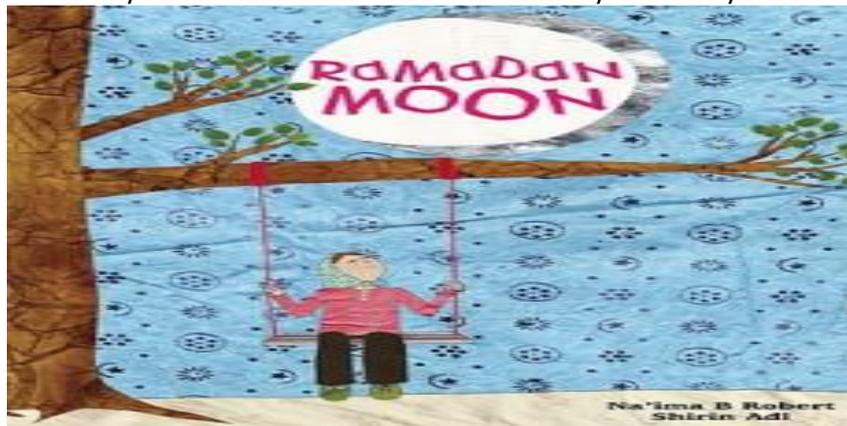


12. Moon phase calendar

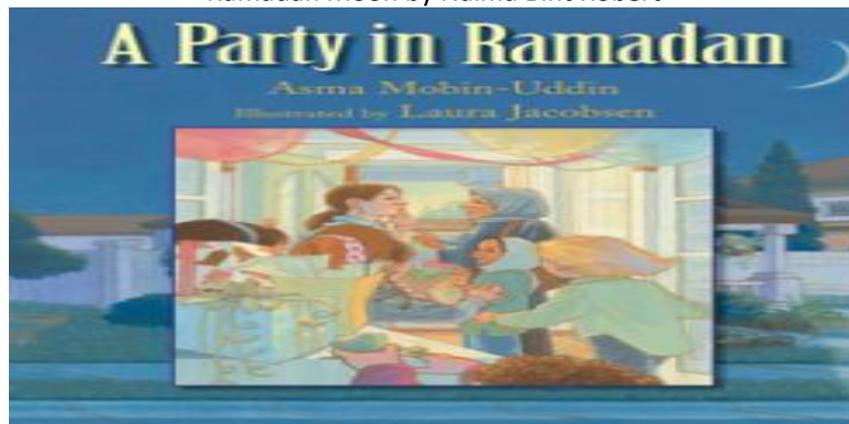
There are several variations of varying complexity. Some even include sewing. The most simple one is make a calendar from dark-colored paper or poster board and cut out the shape of the moon every day.

13. Read books about Ramadhan and eid

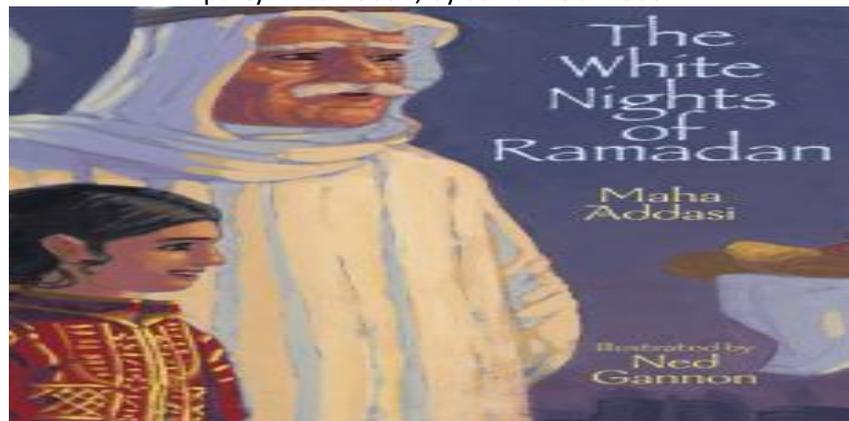
Check out library books about Ramadhan and eid or buy them for your own library.



Ramadan Moon by Naima Bint Robert



A party in Ramadan, by asma mobin-uddin



The white nights of Ramadan, by maha addasi

14. Good deeds list

Make a list of good things that each child wants to do during Ramadhan. Then try to do at least one of them each day; or help your child keep a list of their own good deeds during Ramadhan.

15. Ramadhan drum

Recycle an oatmeal container or coffee can to make a drum to wake up your family for sahoor or use for Ramadhan songs and eid celebrations.



16. Light up the house

String up lights inside or outside the house and turn them on every night at maghrib.



17. Eid costume party

18. Kid's iftar / sahoor: Let the children plan, shop for, and then prepare suhoor and / or iftar.

19. Make a Ramadan bookmark

Since we' ll be reading the entire quran, make a beautiful handmade bookmark to help keep your place.



20. Memorize ayat 2:183

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

O ye who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that ye may (learn) self-restraint

21. Memorize the dua' for breaking the fast

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي لَكَ صُمْتُ وَبِكَ آمَنْتُ [وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ] وَعَلَى رِزْقِكَ أَفْطَرْتُ

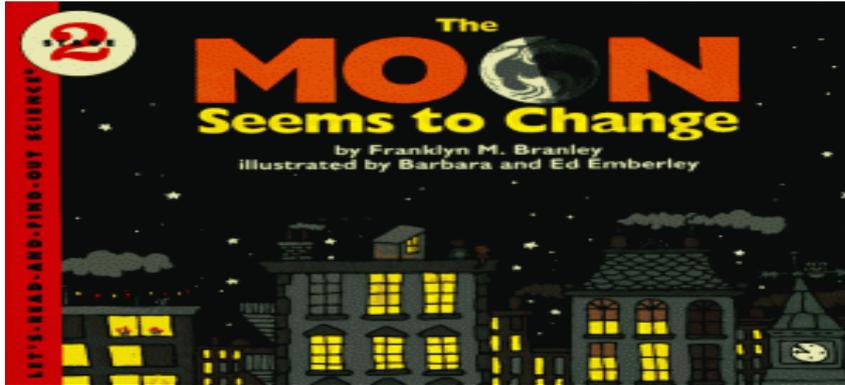
O Allah! I fasted for You and I believe in You [and I put my trust in You] and I break my fast with Your sustenance
or

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ بِرَحْمَتِكَ الَّتِي وَسِعَتْ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ أَنْ تَغْفِرَ لِي

O Allah, I ask You by Your mercy which envelopes all things, that You forgive me.

22. Ramadhan words: Define, write and use these words on a daily basis: sawm, suhoor, iftar, hilal, Ramadhan, hijri calendar, eid ulFit, zakah / zakat ulFit, salatul taraweeh, ihtikaf

23. Learn about the phases of the moon. The moon seems to change by dr. franklyn m. branley



24. Read from quran why we fast Ramadhan (AlBaqarah 2:183-5)

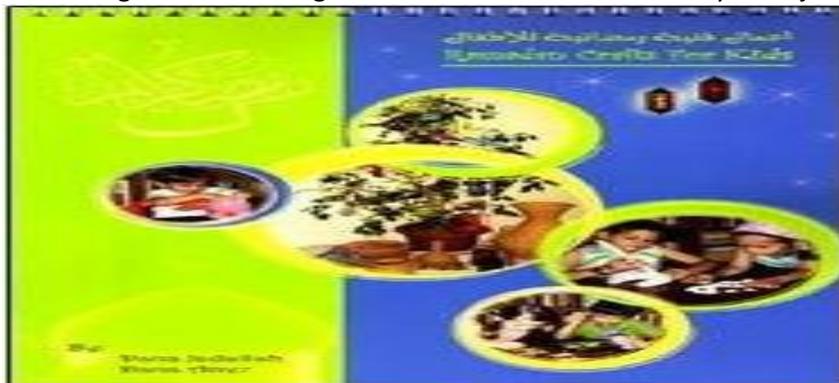
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أَيَّامًا مَّعْدُودَاتٍ فَمَن كَانَ مِنكُم مَّرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَى سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ وَعَلَى الَّذِينَ يُطِيقُونَهُ فِدْيَةٌ طَعَامُ مَسْكِينٍ فَمَن تَطَوَّعَ خَيْرًا فَهُوَ
خَيْرٌ لَهُ وَأَن تَصُومُوا خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ إِن كُنتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَى وَالْفُرْقَانِ فَمَن شَهِدَ مِنْكُمُ الشَّهْرَ فَلْيَصُمْهُ وَمَن كَانَ مَرِيضًا أَوْ
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O ye who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that ye may (learn) self-restraint, (Fasting) for a fixed number of days; but if any of you is ill, or on a journey, the prescribed number (Should be made up) from days later. For those who can do it (With hardship), is a ransom, the feeding of one that is indigent. But he that will give more, of his own free will, - it is better for him. And it is better for you that ye fast, if ye only knew.

Ramadhan is the (month) in which was sent down the Qur'an, as a guide to mankind, also clear (Signs) for guidance and judgment (Between right and wrong). So every one of you who is present (at his home) during that month should spend it in fasting, but if anyone is ill, or on a journey, the prescribed period (Should be made up) by days later. Allah intends every facility for you; He does not want to put to difficulties. (He wants you) to complete the prescribed period, and to glorify Him in that He has guided you; and perchance ye shall be grateful.

25. moon and crescent beads: Using craft wire, shape the wire into moon and crescent shapes. add colorful beads. use ribbon to hang from the ceiling. From Ramadan crafts for kids by dana jadallah and dana amer



26. Ramadhan / eid around the world: Learn about Ramadhan / eid around the world. Celebrate Ramadan and eid al-fitr with praying, fasting, and charity by deborah heiligman and neguin Yavari



27. Ramadhan mosaic suncatcher



28. Make a fanoos



29. henna hands

Trace your child's hands on paper. let them put henna on their hands with a red or brown marker.



30. Enjoy eid ulFitr!

If you appreciate this gathering of information,
make dua' for my family and me
that our sins are forgiven this Ramadhan, in sha Allah!