

All students must provide their parent's signature to participate in the exam. Please print out this page and return it to class at least by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Dear parent, Assalaamu Alaikum:

I am writing you this letter in hopes that we will be successful in helping your child to gain some benefit out of Sunday School. I have been appointed to teach Qur'an studies to your child and we are trying to complete Surah Naba.

I am requesting your help in assisting your child with homework. This surah is not difficult to learn, but it will require patience and perseverance, two qualities that are treasured in youth. I encourage you to engage your child several times during the week and follow their progress with learning this surah.

Almost all of my students can memorize a line within 10 minutes if they sit down and concentrate. I have provided them with a CD that has the recitation of the surah on it. I have also recommended using Quran.com to listen to the recitation, so as to avoid errors.

If your child has difficulty reading Arabic, or is weak in reading Arabic, I strongly recommend that you either personally study with him/her several hours a week, or at least give them a tutor who can help them to practice recitation and correct any mistakes they may be making. Sister Fatima is available to teach Arabic to all children and adults during the week days. And there are many websites that allow internet sessions where your child can practice daily.

I have provided these recommendations with the study guide attached to this letter. I hope that you and your child find the best of this life and the next. Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to improve the performance of your child and to get benefit from our short time together.

-Haseeb Rahman

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Signature of Parent

Date

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## Sunday School Grade 5 Quran Class Study Guide for Midterm 5/2011

### Surah Naba

The test will be comprised of two parts as follows:

#### 1. Oral examination (60% of final)

Every student is expected to have memorized all 40 lines of Surah Naba.

Each student has been given a CD with recitation of the surah on it. If this is not available, please use online resources such as Quran.com to listen to the recitation. It is expected that the student will be able to memorize the recitation without errors or prompting. Points will be deducted for any assistance needed to finish reciting. Points will also be deducted for mispronunciation of the surah. Each line has a maximum of

#### 2. Written examination (40% of final)

The written examination will test the student's knowledge of the English and Arabic meaning of the surah that they have studied in addition to the meaning of the tafseer of these ayahs. Attached at the end of this letter is a copy of the word list that each student is expected to know.

Students will be expected to be able to provide English translations of the Arabic words and also Arabic translations of the English definitions. For example, if the word Allah is given in English, it is expected the student will be able to write Allah in Arabic.

The second part of the written examination will require the students to know the English meaning of surah. Please use the translations provided in the book provided, or use any other authentic Quran translation. Deeper meanings (Tafseer) of the surah will be tested as well.

Please note that the grading scheme is as follows:

- >90% - Will review student's record for possible advancement to next class
- >80% & <90% - Will recommend student to remain in current class level
- >70% & <80% - Will only recommend student to remain in current setting if parents pledge to work with child over next year
- >50% & <70% - Will recommend student to drop in class rank to help student find classmates at suitable level
- <50% - Will recommend child be removed from teaching services and be placed in babysitting or kindergarten services

39-40. In the ending verses, Allāh again reminds us about this Day that will certainly come. There is no doubt about it. Allāh does not force anybody to accept or reject the certainty about the Day. He urges people to take necessary precaution. We have a choice now—take a path to our rabb or end up in the hellfire. There is no doubt that Allāh has clearly warned us about the Day. On that day everybody will see their own deeds. Those who sent too many wrong deeds will have reasons to be very fearful. They will be ashamed of their deeds. They will cry out with immense regret about what they have done during their earthly life. Instead of facing this shameful and distressful condition, they will wish to become dust and bones again.

**Words to know**

*Naba'a*: news, information, great message. *Nabī*: prophet, to have a high position. *Nabūwwat*: a high position and to give a great message.  
*Mukhtalifūn*: differ, vary. *Khālafā*: to follow, to take place, to be an agent. *Khilāf*: disagree, disobedience. *Khalīfah*: successor.  
*Libās*: garment, clothing. *Labasa*: to cover, to obscure.  
*Sirāj*: sun, lamp. *Sarija*: to shine, to glow, to be beautiful.  
*Sarābā*: mirage, optical illusion. *Sāribun*: one who takes cover, lurks. *Sarāb*: mounds of loose sand.  
*Kadhhaba*: to belie outright, to deny, *Kadhaba*: to lie, to make up a lie. *Mukadhdhibun*: one who falsely denies.

**Sūrah An-Naba'**  
**Word-by-word meaning**

الرَّحِيمِ	الرَّحْمَنِ	اللَّهِ	بِسْمِ
the Most-Rewarding	the Most-Kind	Allāh	In the name of
النَّبَاِ	عَنِ	يَتَسَاءَلُونَ	عَمَّ
information	about	they are asking one another	about what
فِيهِ	هُمْ	الَّذِي	الْعَظِيمِ
in it	they	which	tremendous

ثُمَّ again	سَيَعْمُونَ ﴿٤﴾ soon they will now	كَلَّا no	مُخْتَلِفُونَ ﴿٣﴾ differ
نَجْعَلِ We made	أَلَمْ have not	سَيَعْمُونَ ﴿٥﴾ soon they will know	كَلَّا no
أَوْتَادًا ﴿٧﴾ as pegs	وَالْجِبَالِ and the mountains	مَهْدًا ﴿٦﴾ a couch	الْأَرْضِ the earth
نَوْمِكُمْ your sleep	وَجَعَلْنَا and We made	أَزْوَاجًا ﴿٨﴾ in pairs	وَخَلَقْنَاكُمْ and We created you
لِبَاسًا ﴿١٠﴾ as a garment	الَّيْلِ the night	وَجَعَلْنَا and We made	سُبَاتًا ﴿٩﴾ for rest
وَبَنَيْنَا and We have erected	مَعَاشًا ﴿١١﴾ livelihood	النَّهَارِ the day	وَجَعَلْنَا and We made
وَجَعَلْنَا and We made	شِدَادًا ﴿١٢﴾ strong bodies	سَبْعًا seven	فَوْقَكُمْ above you
مِنَ from	وَأَنْزَلْنَا and We bring down	وَهَاجًا ﴿١٣﴾ brightly burning	سِرَاجًا lamp
لِنُخْرِجَ grow	تَجَاجًا ﴿١٤﴾ abundant	مَاءٍ water	الْمُعْصِرَاتِ the cloud
وَجَنَّاتٍ and Garden	وَنَبَاتًا ﴿١٥﴾ and vegetation	حَبًّا grains	بِهِ with it

الْفَصْلِ  
the decision

يَوْمٍ  
day

إِنَّ  
surely

الْفَأْفَأِ  
vigorous growth

يُنْفَخُ  
blown

يَوْمٍ  
on that day

مِيقَاتًا  
fixed

كَانَ  
is

أَفْوَاجًا  
in groups

فَتَأْتُونَ  
then you will come

الْصُّورِ  
trumpet

فِي  
in

أَبْوَابًا  
doors

فَكَانَتْ  
will become

السَّمَاءِ  
the sky

وَفُتِحَتْ  
and will be opened

سَرَابًا  
mirage

فَكَانَتْ  
will be

الْجِبَالِ  
the mountains

وَسِيرَتْ  
and pass away

مَرَصَادًا  
in ambush

كَانَتْ  
is

جَهَنَّمَ  
hell

إِنَّ  
surely

فِيهَا  
in it

لَسَيْثِينَ  
staying

مَعَابًا  
destination

لِلطَّغْيِينِ  
for rebels

فِيهَا  
in it

يَذُوقُونَ  
taste

لَا  
not

أَحْقَابًا  
ages

إِلَّا  
except

شَرَابًا  
drink

وَلَا  
and not

بَرْدًا  
coolness

وَفَأَقًا  
وَفَأَقًا

جَزَاءً  
جَزَاءً

وَعَسَاقًا  
وَعَسَاقًا

حَمِيمًا  
حَمِيمًا

يَرْجُونَ	لَا	كَانُوا	إِنَّهُمْ
expecting	not	were	surely they
كَذَابًا ٢٨	بِأَيَّتِنَا	وَكَذَّبُوا	حِسَابًا ٢٧
belying	with our Messages	and belied	account
كِتَابًا ٢٩	أَحْصَيْنَاهُ	شَيْءٍ	وَكُلِّ
in writing	We recorded it	things	and all
إِلَّا	نَزِيدُكُمْ	فَلَنْ	فَذُوقُوا
except	We increase you	then never	so taste
مَفَازًا ٣١	لِلْمُتَّقِينَ	إِنَّ	عَذَابًا ٣٠
success	for reverent	surely	torment
أَتْرَابًا ٣٣	وَكُوعَابٍ	وَأَعْنَبًا ٣٢	حَدَائِقِ
of equal age	and youths	and vineyards	orchards
يَسْمَعُونَ	لَا	دِهَاقًا ٣٤	وَكَأْسًا
they will hear	not	filled up	and cups
كَذَابًا ٣٥	وَلَا	لَغْوًا	فِيهَا
falsehood	and not	idle talk	in it
عَطَاءً	رَبِّكَ	مِّنْ	جَزَاءً
gift	your Rabb	from	reward
وَالْأَرْضِ	السَّمَوَاتِ	رَبِّ	حِسَابًا ٣٦
and the earth	the heavens	Rabb	account

لَا	الرَّحْمَنِ	بَيْنَهُمَا	وَمَا
not	the Rahmān	between them	and what
يَوْمَ	خِطَابًا	مِنْهُ	مَهْلِكُونَ
the day	speech	for him	they dare
صَفًّا	وَالْمَلَائِكَةَ	الرُّوحُ	يَقُومُ
in rows	and the angels	the Spirit	stand
مَنْ	إِلَّا	يَتَكَلَّمُونَ	لَا
whom	except	they will speak	not
وَقَالَ	الرَّحْمَنِ	لَهُ	أَذِنَ
and he speak	the Rahmān	to him	permitted
الْحَقُّ	الْيَوْمَ	ذَلِكَ	صَوَابًا
the certain	day	that	rightly
إِلَى	أَتَّخَذَ	شَاءَ	فَمَنْ
towards	chose	pleases	then whoever
أَنْذَرْنَاكُمْ	إِنَّا	مَعَابًا	رَبِّهِ
have warned you	surely	place of return	his Rabb
يَنْظُرُ	يَوْمَ	قَرِيبًا	عَذَابًا
will see	day	near	punishment

يَدَاهُ

his hands

قَدَّمَتْ

sent forth

مَا

what

الْمَرءِ

the man

كُنْتُ

I were

يَلِيَّتِنِي

I wish

الْكَافِرُ

the disbeliever

وَيَقُولُ

and will say

تُرَابًا

dust.