

Grade 2-A Midterm Study Guide

SURAHS TO MEMORIZE(40% of grade):

1. Surah Al-Quraish (106) (Should be **EXTREMELY** thorough and will not be prompted!)
2. Surah Al-Humazah (104) (Should be **EXTREMELY** thorough and will not be prompted!)

Each surah gets **20%**, i.e. 10% memorization and 10% pronunciation.

DISCUSSION SURAHS: (10% of grade)

1. In return for the hundreds of small and large blessings of Allah(Swt), what should we do? (Surah Quraish)
2. How does backbiting and slandering hurt others? (Surah Humazah)

CLASS DISCUSSION: (20% of grade)

1.What do we say before reciting the Qur'an?

Answer:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

"I seek refuge in Allah from Shaitan, the accursed one."

2.Why do we say this before reciting the Qur'an?

Answer: Because Allah tells us to do so in HIS Qur'an

3. Why does Allah tell us to say this before reciting the Qur'an?

Answer: Shaitan dislikes hearing the recitation of the Qur'an and he being our greatest enemy takes it upon himself to disturb us relentlessly, as soon as we sit down to recite.

CLASS DISCUSSION: (10% of grade)

1. What is the ayah that says that Allah has made the Qur'an easy to remember/study?

Answer: "Wa Laqad Yassarnal Qur'ana Liz zikri" translated "And We have indeed made the Qur'an easy to understand and remember" [54:17]

This translation should be memorized!

COMMONLY MISPRONOUNCED LETTERS: (20% of grade)

The following are the letters that are similar in Arabic and are pronounced differently and the letters that are commonly mispronounced.

ص ث س

In English these letters are all pronounced "s" or "sa" but in Arabic these letters have different pronunciations, which change the words, they are in.

ظ ز

In English these letters are all pronounced "z" or "za" but in Arabic these letters have different pronunciations, which change the words, they are in.

ق ك

In English these letters are all pronounced "q" and "k" but in Arabic these Qaaf is stronger than just "q" and kaf is very thin.

ض د

In English these letters are all pronounced "d" or "da" but in Arabic these letters have different pronunciations, which change the words, they are in.

Errors in pronunciation will change the words and change the meanings of sentences and make you change the things that ALLAH subhanahu wa ta'ala says in the Qur'an!!!