

THE FIRST CALIPH

ABU BAKR (RA)

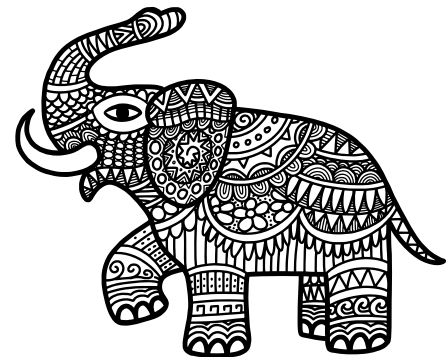
Abu Bakr Al-Siddiq, his name is Abdullah ibn Abi Quhafah, from the clan of Taym. He was born in Mecca 3 years after the Year of the Elephant. He was the best friend of our Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him). Abu Bakr did not worship idols, drink alcohol or eat dead animals, as many of the Meccans of the time did. He was the first man to accept Islam when our Prophet (pbuh) presented it.

Abu Bakr (ra) was thin and tall. He had sunken eyes and a hooked nose.

He became Prophet Muhammad (pbuh)'s father-in-law when his daughter Aishah (ra) married the Prophet (pbuh). He was a wealthy merchant who had trade caravans that traveled to and from Syria and Yemen. He would often buy slaves and then set them free. He was with the Prophet (pbuh) when they migrated from Mecca to Medina. He is known as Al-Siddiq which means the truthful .

Abu Bakr (ra) was able to read and he enjoyed poetry. He was also known to have a good memory.

He became the first Caliph after the death of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) in the year 11 AH. 632 AD. One of the major issues he dealt with during his time as Caliph was the Riddah Wars.



ABU BAKR (RA)

The Riddah wars were also called the Wars of Apostasy. These campaigns were against the people that started to rebel against paying Zakah. Some of them were against false prophets, because a few people began saying that *they* were prophets too.

When Abu Bakr (ra) became Caliph, he gave this speech:

"I have been given the authority over you, and I am not the best of you. If I do well, help me; and if I do wrong, set me right. Sincere regard for truth is loyalty and disregard for truth is treachery. The weak amongst you shall be strong with me until I have secured his rights, if God wills; and the strong amongst you shall be weak with me until I have wrested from him the rights of others, if God wills. Obey me so long as I obey God and His Messenger. But if I disobey God and His Messenger, you owe me no obedience. Arise for your prayer, God have mercy upon you".

He was the Caliph for 27 months. He was also the one who started compiling the Quran together.

In 13 AH. 634 AD Abu Bakr got sick and did not recover. He nominated Umar (ra) to be the next Caliph. When he died, he was buried next to our Prophet Muhammad (pbuh).

MATCHING

___ The First Caliph

A. Taym

___ Wars about paying Zakah

B. Trader with a caravan

___ Abu Bakr (ra)'s Daughter
who married the Prophet
(pbuh)

C. Riddah Wars

___ His job in Mecca

D. Aishah (ra)

___ The name of his clan

E. Abu Bakr Al-Siddiq (ra)



SHORT ANSWERS

Why was it important to start putting the Quran together? What events do you think happened to make it necessary to put it all together in writing?

The Riddah wars were primarily about dealing with the people who did not want to continue paying the zakah. It also dealt with imposters who were claiming to be prophets. Why do you think it was important to fight about these issues?

WORD SEARCH

D A W L W R I D D A H X M G W K M O D Z
B Q V H N H H X I I E K O N Y K I I J B
Z E U X P D K R T K X O Q W Q D Z R V N
Y R S I B U Y I S U T K Y S P B Q F M O
W O L T Y S A K C Q H N H F M S D G I D
I A Y Q F K W B M M S U A B N S I G E I
C U B X Y R L L V Z E H X C J Q M C M X
G O R U F K I N I M A D O C S L V I Z Q
Y P W E B Q X E T R U P Q N P T C B X L
C V J H L A G K N H O H H K Y S N T K K
C A K S G T K K O D J M Q R T B M O N I
R Q R C U I R R V Y P Q W U P K Q R N E
J R P A I S H A H C H D F X Q Z Y G K I
R D N F V Z V J A U K P L P D B E M N I
H D O M E A I D A Y T V Q G S M B D S I
P A G K C Z N V D V I R R Z Z A W D I J
O V H C I I Z R U I I Y A F O X Q D M P
N Y I K K H N P F O D S L D A F R Z R D
T O V I Q J X L T H L P P T E V D F Q S
P N K V N H Y P Y E M E N N S R X A M C

ABUBAKR
AISHAH
TRADER
SYRIA

CALIPH
BESTFRIEND
CARAVAN

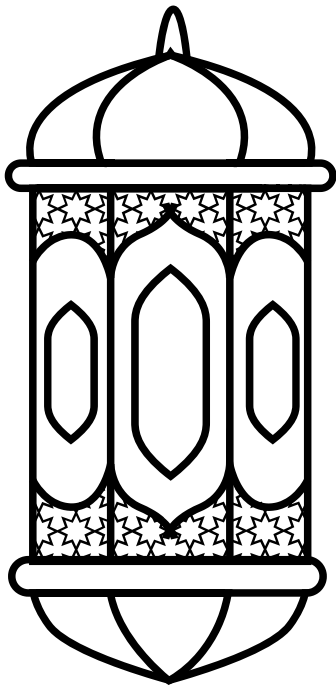
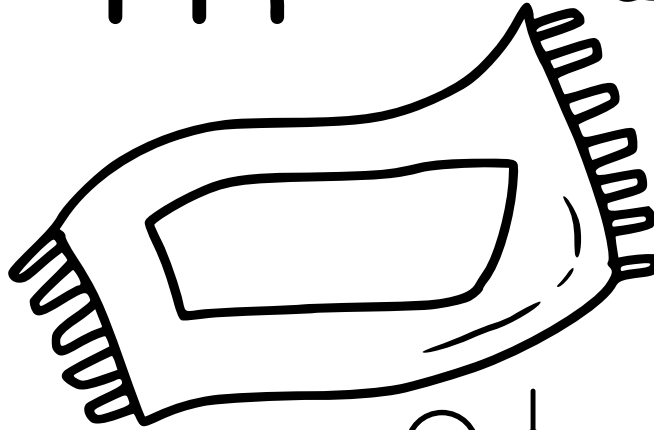
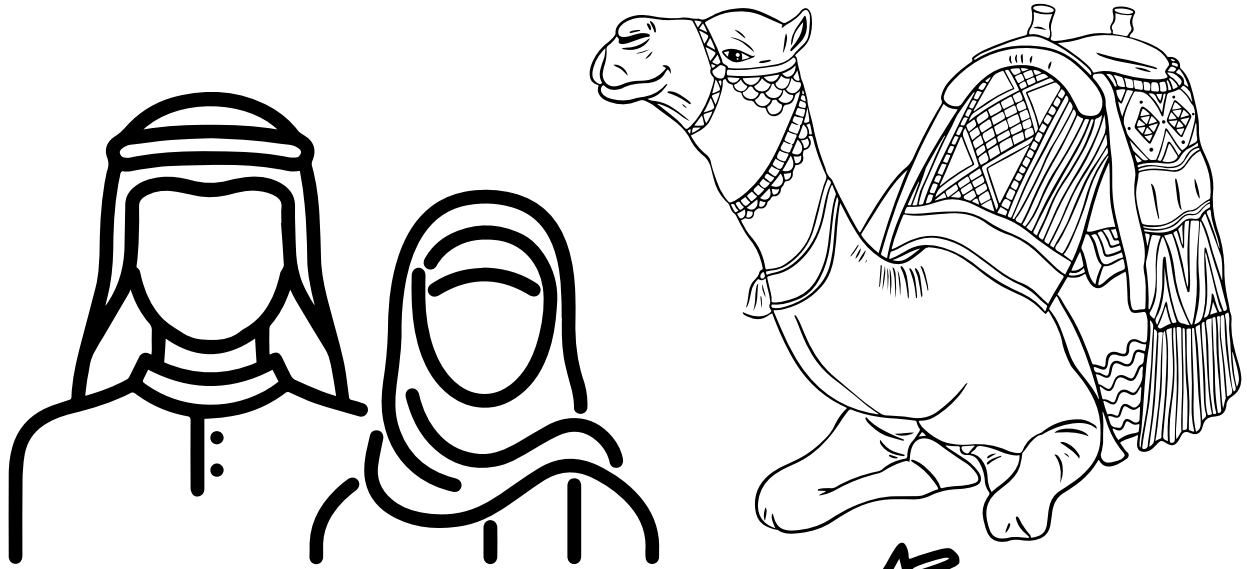
RIDDAH
KIND
YEMEN



Qalam Consortium

<https://www.qalamconsortium.com/>

COLORING



QUIZ

1. What was Abu Bakr (ra)'s relationship to our Prophet (pbuh)?

- A Professor B Father-in-law
 C Father D Best Friend

2. What tribe was Abu Bakr (ra) from?

- A Zulu B Adi
 C Taym D Hashim

3. What was the name of the wars that were about taxes and false prophets?

- A Battle of Uhud B Riddah Wars
 C Wars of Faith D Battle of Badr

4. The name of Abu Bakr (ra)'s daughter who ended up marrying the Prophet (pbuh)

- A Umm Kulthum (ra) B Fatima (ra)
 C Aasma (ra) D Aishah (ra)

5. What did Abu Bakr (ra) look like?

- A Skinny and short with big bulging eyes B Thin and tall with a hooked nose
 C Tall and fat with a small nose D Short and chubby

