BRAIN-BOT OR NOT?

PUZZLE PAGE

ZAKAH WORD-FIT

What were mum and dad doing?

How does Zakah purity our wealth?

What happened at the time of Umar bin Abdul Aziz?

What did the man ask from our Prophet (pbuh)?

Why did the man miss his Jummah?

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We are also____ to give optional charities.

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THINK OF 10 NEW WAYS TO GET CLOSER TO ISLAM

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Charity

In the name of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful. All praise is for Him and peace and salutations upon His Servant and Messenger



We spend our whole lives working hard and earning money. Sometimes we are so busy in accumulating this wealth that we forget about the poor people who are also entitled to some of the money Allah has blessed us with.

Zakah is a way in which Allah reminds us about our duties to other poorer Muslims. Allah has commanded us (i.e. made it Fardh) to give Zakah every year.

Zakah can not be used to do important work such as digging wells nor can it be used to make roads or hospitals. Zakah must become the property of the poor person.

Zakah is a form of purification as it removes the part of the wealth which now belongs to the poor. This also increases the blessing in the remaining wealth. Zakah also purifies our hearts by removing selfishness and greed from it. Assalamu-alaykum

When I got home from school both Mum and Dad were hard at work!

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Mum had a calculator and my dad had a pile of papers on the kitchen table.

They were very busy working things out. I asked my dad what he was working out. He said, "We are working out our Zakah."

I asked, "Zakah? What's one of them?" My dad said, "It's a compulsory charity which we must give to the poor people!"

I said, "We give lots of money to charity already so why do we also give Zakah"

My dad explained,
"Giving money to
charity is very
important but Zakah is
different. We must
give Zakah to the poor
every year."

Man! I thought I won't be doing sums when I grow up but it looks as if sums will be with us all our life! PP

Give money to the poor and Allah will bless you with more

In Islam, the pillars are five To complete them, all we must strive



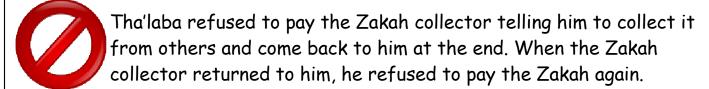
GETTING THE BALANCE



Tha'laba Ibn Hateb came to our Prophet (pbuh) and asked him to make dua for him that Allah increases him in wealth. Our Prophet (pbuh) sent him away without making Dua. Tha'laba came again with the same request and our Prophet (pbuh) sent him away again. Tha'laba insisted a third time and this time our Prophet (pbuh) made a dua that Allah increase him in wealth.

Tha'laba only had a few sheep and soon his flock began to increase. This meant that the man had to move to the outskirts of Madina where there was more space and grazing for his flock. He used to pray regularly with the Muslims in the mosque and now he found it difficult to make it for any prayer there.

It came to the stage that he found it difficult to make the Jummah prayer. He began to miss the Jummah prayer with our Prophet (pbuh). A while later, it was time to pay the Zakah and our Prophet (pbuh) sent two men to collect the Zakah.



When the people found out that he refused to pay they would curse Tha'laba for disobeying our Prophet (pbuh). Tha'laba decided to take the Zakah himself to our Prophet (pbuh). By Allah's command, our Prophet (pbuh) refused to accept it!

After our Prophet's time, Tha'laba wanted to pay the Zakah to the Khalifah, Abu Bakr, who also refused to take it. In the time of the second Khalifah, Umar also refused to take the Zakah from Tha'laba because both our Prophet and Abu Bakr had refused.

The man died in this sorry state of not being able to pay his Zakah.

Assalamu-alaykum, Islam is about being moderate in everything. We should not go to excess in anything but instead get a balance in our life for all our many duties including gaining wealth. We should not be so engrossed in it that we forget all our other duties! PP



Give Zakah on your silver and Gold And on the stock you haven't sold

Giving Zakah makes your heart pure

As money goes from the rich to the poor



Work out your Zakah (get help if needed)

Money in bank	
Other money saved up	
Value of Gold/Silver	
Total wealth	

Money I owe

Excess wealth

(Total wealth take away money I

Zakah to be paid (Excess wealth \times 0.025)

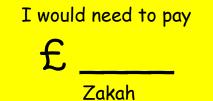
Zakah is not compulsory for children but is for an Adult Muslim who has more money than the minimum amount (nisab)

Zakah must paid at 2.5 % of your excessive wealth. This 2.5% is not based on your income or wages.





Zakah also applies to stock or merchandise which you use in your business. It also applies to gold or silver you may own.





This is a simple form but calculating Zakah is a lot more complicated!



During the time of Umar bin Abdul Aziz, the Muslims would practice Islam fully and they

would pay Zakah properly.

In that time there were so few poor people left that they found it hard to find someone to give Zakah to. If all Muslims paid Zakah fully, world poverty would be eliminated and wealth would be distributed more evenly.



The Muslims made the Hijra from Makkah to Madina in the thirteenth year of Prophethood.

The Muslims of Makkah were very poor so the Muslims of Madina shared everything with them.

FOOTSTEPS: The Prophet (pbuh) was the most charitable and generous.

