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Hafs Academy is an educational trust founded by some of the country's leading educators, scholars and academics, to push forward the frontiers of Muslim schooling in the UK.

#### A thought out curriculum

We call our secondary school curriculum “the balance” - a combination between an analytical national syllabus and a humanising Islamic curriculum. A student benefits from the strengths of both sciences at the highest level, while actualising the Hadith, “No father has ever given a child a gift that is superior to good manners.”

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We have fully equipped modern classrooms and laboratories with a full compliment of gadgetry and support staff. Our Islamic teaching collateral is unique and produced in-house by academics at the forefront of curriculum design. The hifz programme is also staffed by experts in qira'at and we regard it as one of the best in the country.

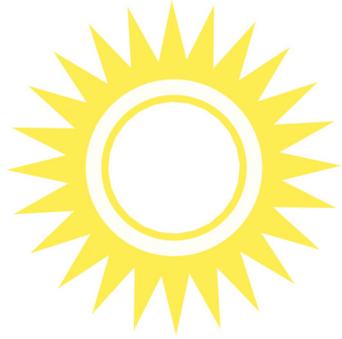
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# Who and What are Angels?

Angels are Allah's **special creation**. Allah created them from a very **special light** called 'nur'.



The total number of angels is **unknown**. They are **innumerable**, only Allah knows their **exact** number.

Allah says in the Qur'an:

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وَمَا يَعْلَمُ جُنُودَ رَبِّكَ إِلَّا هُوَ

**“And no one knows the forces of your Lord but Him”**

The **“forces”** here are referring to the Angels. They undertake **various** tasks that Allah has given them, which involve **running the universe and praising Allah**.

Angels come in **various shapes** and **sizes**.  
They have wings, some more than others.  
Unlike humans, they are not **bound by choice**.  
They simply **obey**.

Likewise, they **do not** eat, drink or marry, nor do they tire. Angels are able to travel at **great speeds** and will die when the trumpet is **blown**.  
They are **neither** male nor female.

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## VOCABULARY

**Innumerable** - countless, many

**Forces** - army, soldiers

**Various tasks** - many different tasks

**Not bound by choice** - they are not given choices

## VOCABULARY

مَلَائِكَةٌ - angels

نُورٌ - light

# How many Angels are there?

Although it was mentioned above [before] that the total number of angels is not known, the following reports give an **indication** of the kind of **figures** one should have in mind:

Our Prophet told us once, **“there is not the space of a hand or foot in the skies above but that there is an angel there, standing, bowing and prostrating in prayer...”**

When the Prophet asked Jibra'il about the Ka'bah in Heaven (referred to as **al-bayt al-ma'mur** in the Qur'an), Jibra'il said: **“Seventy thousand angels pray in it every day and never return”**.



The Prophet (saw) informed us that **Hell** would be brought forward via **seventy thousand ropes**. Each rope will be pulled by seventy thousand angels. This means that just the number of angels that will bring Hell to the Day of Judgment will be **forty nine million**.

If the above is difficult to imagine, think of how many people there are on earth. **Each person** has **two angels** writing down his good and **bad deeds**, other angels whose task it is to **protect** him from **evil**, and an angelic companion (**Qarin**) who guides him to **good**.

## VOCABULARY

**Indication** - sign, hint, clue  
**Figures** - numbers

## VOCABULARY

كَعْبَةٌ - Ka'bah

قِيَامَةٌ - Day of Judgement

قَرِينٌ - friend

الْبَيْتُ الْمَعْمُورُ - Ka'bah in the Heavens

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At Hafs we believe that the tarbiyah (development) of a child in a good environment is of utmost priority. Children are innocent and so it is during these days of innocence that tarbiyah is most effective.

Our beloved Prophet (saw) created an environment of learning for his companions. It is in this environment in which the Sahabah developed such iman (faith) that they have forever become role models for those who come after them.

Allah (swt) says:

If they believe the way you have believed then they would achieve guidance. (Baqarah 2:137)

In the very beginning of the Quran Allah (swt) describes the people of taqwa as those who have faith in the ghayb (the unseen). But have we ever explained to our children what is meant by ghayb?

Without firm grounding in belief, we are lost, meaningless, prey to a host of forces and bound for the route of destruction. Sound belief is the only guarantee for our success and God's pleasure - it is the purpose behind our creation and the reason for which Prophets were sent. It is paramount/crucial, therefore, to realise the importance of sound upbringing and belief and to provide Muslim youth with good instruction from a young age. It is the only effective manner which helps them navigate through the ups and downs of life and face the challenges it throws at them.

To this end, Hafs Academy presents a revised syllabus on various Islamic sciences/subjects (Aqeedah, in this case) with a bias towards student age/maturity, relevant topic selection and detail. In this compilation, emphasis is placed on iman-building over crude theological formulations by compounding elementary beliefs with exhortative and descriptive data found in the rich sources of Hadith literature, in addition to heart-softening anecdotes and parables of wisdom.

It is hoped this revised format will make the subject more engaging, pique further interest, provoke action and yield the much anticipated results. Wa ma dhalika 'ala Allah bi Ba'eed - and with Allah alone rests assistance.

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