

# 3.4 What do Muslims believe about God?

## KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

### Key Questions to ask yourself

- What do you think the 99 names reveal about Allah?
- Do you agree that it helps Muslims to understand and know Allah better?
- What does the Qur'an tell us about how Muslims view Allah?

### Key Vocabulary

Word	Definition
Allah	The most often used Islamic name for God, believed by Muslims to be the sole God
Islam	Major world religion promulgated to humanity by the Prophet Muhammad in Arabia in the 7 <sup>th</sup> century.
Muhammad (PBUH)	Muhammad ibn Abdullah was an Arab religious, social, and political leader and the founder of the world religion of Islam.
Muslim	Believers of the faith of Islam. By the early 21 <sup>st</sup> century, there were more than 1.5 billion Muslims worldwide.
Prophet	An individual who is regarded as being in contact with a divine being and is said to speak on behalf of that being, serving as an intermediary with humanity by delivering messages or teachings from the supernatural source to other people.
Qur'an	The central religious text of Islam, believed by Muslims to be a revelation from God.
Recitation	Reading of the Qur'an believed to be the direct words of Allah as revealed to his messenger Muhammad.
Revelation	Revelation is an extremely important concept within Islam. Muslims believe the truth of Islam is uniquely anchored in a scripture (Qur'an) directly revealed from God, preserved in its original Arabic language for subsequent generations of believers.
Shahadah	Profession of faith or creed; Declaration of faith.
Tawhid	The indivisible oneness concept of monotheism in Islam. Tawhid is the religion's central and single most important concept, upon which a Muslim's entire religious adherence rests.



The faith of Islam is symbolized by the Crescent and Star. The Crescent is the early phase of the moon and represents progress. The star signifies illumination with the light of knowledge.

### Tawhid

Tawhid is the belief that there is only one God, Allah, who created everything. For Muslims, this helps them feel connected to Allah because they know He is always there, watching over them. It also reminds them to be kind and fair, since they want to live in a way that pleases the one and only God.



### The Prophet Muhammad

Muslims believe that the Prophet Muhammad was a man chosen by God to teach people how to live good lives and believe in one God. Muslims love and respect him because they believe he showed kindness, honesty, and helped people understand God's message.

### The Qur'an

The Quran is very special to Muslims because they believe it is the exact words of God, given to them to guide their lives. It teaches them how to be good, kind, and strong in their faith. Muslims read it to feel close to God and to learn the best way to make good choices every day.

