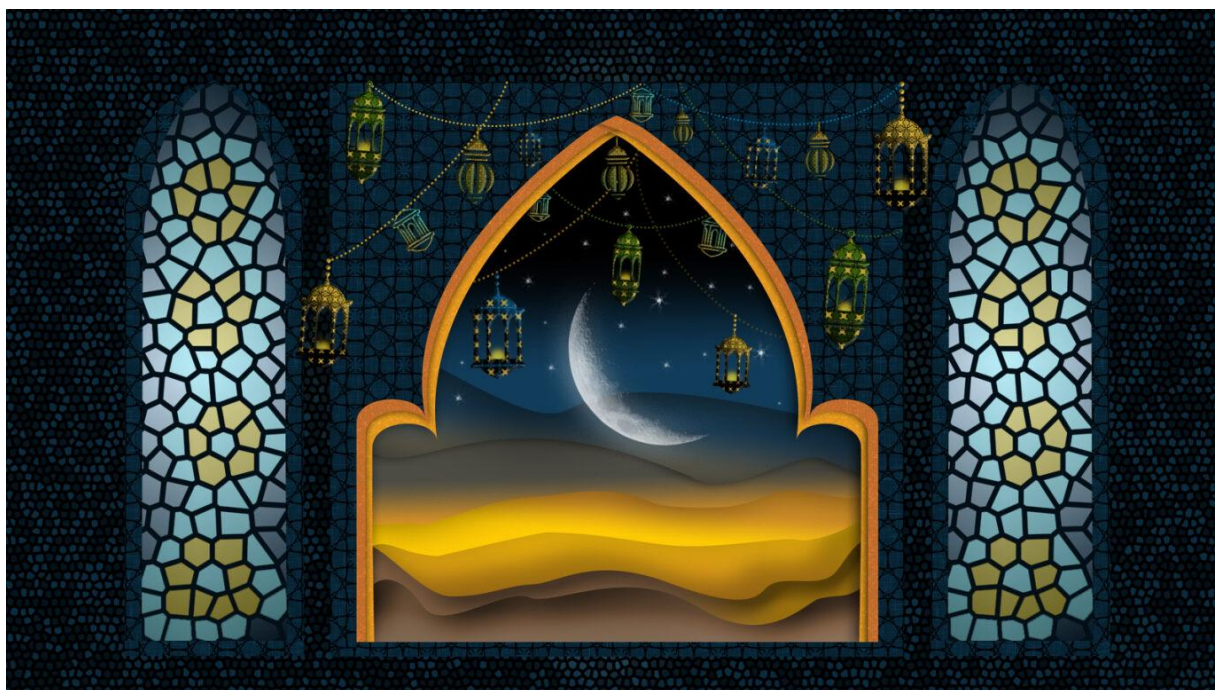


SBS Learn partners with the Islamic Museum of Australia to support classrooms in understanding Ramadan and Eid with new teacher resource

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Coming together in their second joint education project, SBS Learn and the Islamic Museum of Australia (IMA) have launched an Australian curriculum-aligned resource to build student understanding of the diversity of the Muslim community's observance of Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr in 2024.

SBS's newest teacher resource, *Understanding Ramadan and Eid*, covers two significant milestones in the Islamic calendar for Foundation to Year 9 students. Developed in partnership with the Islamic Museum of Australia, this free resource promotes cross-cultural understanding and celebrates the diverse and cultural heritage of Muslims in Australia and Islamic societies globally.





Emily Yong, Education Lead at SBS Learn, said: "We take great pride in this year's teacher resource for Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr. At SBS Learn we encourage deep learning of different cultural celebrations so students can better understand the beliefs and customs of people who live in Australia.

"Through our collaboration with the Islamic Museum of Australia, SBS Learn has developed a resource that shares insights to empower educators to bridge gaps, promote empathy and cultivate a deeper cross-cultural understanding of Ramadan and Eid, marked by more than 800,000 Australians, with Islam being the third most observed religion in Australia."

This year's resource includes visually compelling infographics suitable for classroom display, which provide key information about Islamic traditions to help unpack the customs and practices associated with Ramadan and Eid. Topics include the significance of Ramadan, fasting rituals, cultural and spiritual aspects, and the celebration of Eid.

For primary school students, colouring-in activities and worksheets also help teach students about the different moon phases and celestial elements throughout the month of Ramadan. For secondary school students, an engaging downloadable flipbook prompts independent research and fosters a deep understanding of the Muslim faith.

SBS Learn's *Understanding Ramadan and Eid* can be used alongside the previous year's materials, *Observing Ramadan* and *Celebrating Eid* (also developed in partnership with the IMA), and are accompanied with further reading resources, all free and available on the [SBS Learn website](https://www.sbs.com.au/ramadan).

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Explore our content offering for Ramadan and Eid in 22 languages across food shows, recipes, movies, and community partnerships across Australia and more at <http://www.sbs.com.au/ramadan>. [Learn more](#).

About the *Understanding Ramadan and Eid* teacher resource:

This SBS Learn teacher resource was created as an introduction to the significance of Ramadan and Eid for Muslim communities around the world; and can be used alongside the *Celebrating Eid* materials. These resources are aligned with the Australian



Curriculum and are available free to print and download from the SBS Learn website, providing educators with a range of activities for primary and secondary students.

This resource reflects the insights of the staff, supporters and community of the Islamic Museum of Australia in celebration of the artistic and cultural heritage of Muslims in Australia and in Islamic societies abroad.

About SBS Learn:

SBS Learn is the educational arm of SBS Outreach, focusing on creating quality materials for teachers aligned to the Australian Curriculum. Creating resources designed with the values of diversity, inclusion and connectedness in mind, SBS Learn prepares young minds for the world beyond school gates. Visit at sbs.com.au/learn.

About the Islamic Museum of Australia:

The Islamic Museum of Australia (IMA), the first Islamic Museum in the country, showcases a wide range of Islamic arts. The museum is made up of five permanent galleries including: Islamic Faith, Islamic Contribution to Civilisation, Islamic Art, Islamic Architecture, and Australian Muslim History. The museum provides educational and cross-cultural experiences, encompassing the cultural heritage of Muslims in Australia and Islamic societies across the world. SBS and the IMA are proud to work on education projects together, and to celebrate culture and community with Australian schools.

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