

Islam – Dictionary List

Abortion	termination/ending of a pregnancy before 24 week
Akhriah	life after death
Discrimination	putting prejudice into action
Divorce	legal ending of a marriage
Du'a	personal prayer
Euthanasia	mercy killing
Hadith	stories and sayings of the Prophet Muhammad. A major source of Islamic law.
Hajj	pilgrimage to Mecca
Halal	permitted or allowed
Haram	not permitted or not allowed
Hijrah (the)	Muhammad's emigration from Mecca to Medinah in 622 CE
Eid-ul-Adha	celebration of Prophet Ibrahim's willingness to sacrifice his son Ismail for Allah.
Eid-ul-Fitr	marks the end of Ramadan
Imam	1) a Muslim leader 2) Shi'ah title of Ali and his successors
Islam	1) peace and submission to Allah 2) the name of the religion followed by Muslims
Jihad	personal striving to do right or wrong
Jum'ah	Friday's communal prayer
Medinah	where Muhammad is buried
Mecca	where Muhammad was born
Masjid	(mosque) place of prostration

Muezzin	person who calls to prayer
Muhammad	1) praised 2) the last and greatest of the Prophets
Polygamy	to have more than one spouse
Qu'ran	(recitation) Holy Book
Ramadan	1) the 9 th month in the Islamic calendar 2) month of fasting
Risalah	channel of communication between God and people
Sadaqan	good actions or voluntary payments for charity
Salah	prayer 5 times a day
Saum	fasting during Ramadan (From dawn till dusk)
Shahadah	declaration of faith or creed
Shari'ah	Islamic law
Shi'ah	Muslims who believe in the sucessionship of Ali
Sunni	Muslims who believe in the sucessionship of Abu Bakir and Uthman
Tawhid	oneness and unity of Allah
Ummah	brotherhood, kinship, family feeling and unity
Zakah	purification by giving to the poor