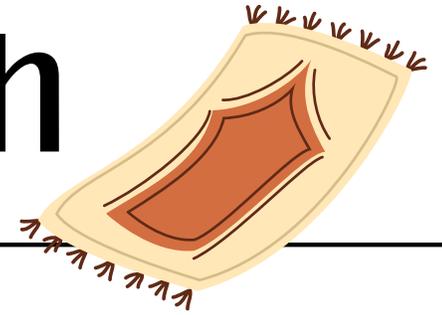




# The Gift of Salah



Once, Prophet Muhammad (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) was feeling very sad. He had lost his loving wife, Khadijah (radiAllahu anha), and his uncle, who had protected him. People in Makkah were not listening to him, and things were difficult. During this time, Allah invited him on a special journey, called Israa and Miraaj

In this amazing journey, the Prophet (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) traveled from Makkah to a faraway place called Masjid Al-Aqsa in Jerusalem, riding on a special creature called the Buraq. Then, Allah took him up to the skies, all the way to Jannah (Paradise).

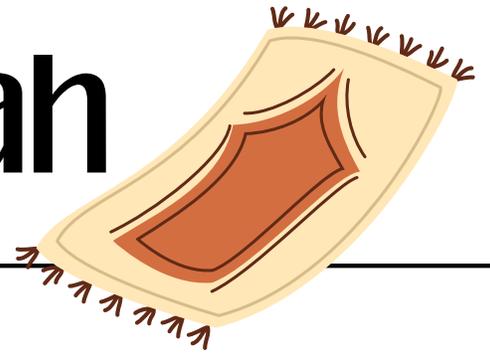
During this amazing journey, the Prophet Muhammad (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) went so high that even the angel Jibreel (alaihi salaam) couldn't go any further. At this special place, the Prophet (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) met Allah in a way that only he could understand. Allah gave him a very special gift for all Muslims and the command to pray 50 times every day!

On his way back, Prophet Muhammad (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) met Prophet Musa (alaihis salaam), who told him that praying 50 times a day might be too hard for Muslims. Prophet Muhammad (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) returned to Allah and asked if it could be made a little easier. Allah reduced the prayers, and the Prophet (sallallahu alaihi wa sallam) went back and forth a few times, until the prayers were reduced to just five daily prayers.





# The Gift of Salah



But here's the amazing part: even though we pray only five times a day, Allah gives us the reward of praying 50 times! Isn't that such a kind gift from Allah? Allah wanted to make it easy for us, and Salah became a way to feel close to Him every day.

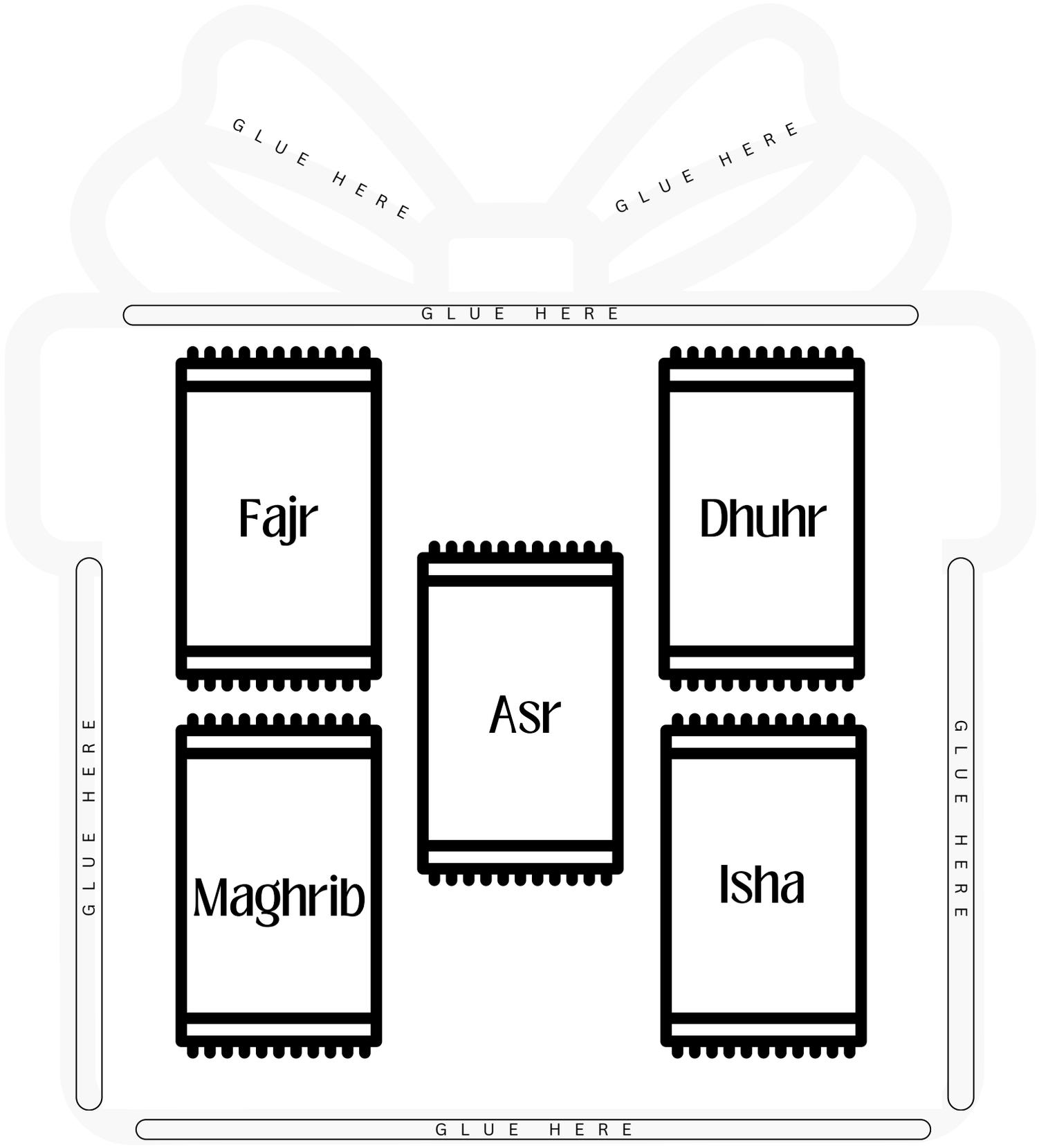
## Activity: The Gift of Salah Craft

Since Salah is a special gift from Allah, let's create a fun craft to show that!

1. Color the two pages: one with the gift box and the other with the prayer rugs.
2. Cut out the gift box on page 3, and carefully cut along the dotted lines to create two flaps.
3. Glue the gift box onto page 4, which has the prayer rugs.
4. When you open the flaps of the gift box, it will reveal the beautiful gift inside- Salah, a special gift from Allah to all of mankind!







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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

إِنِّ أَجْرِي إِلَّا عَلَى اللَّهِ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ شَهِيدٌ  
"My reward is only from Allah. And He is a  
witness over all things"

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