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the Compassionate, the Merciful”

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# How to Use These Books

The Mini Tafseer Book Series is designed to teach children the Tafseer (exegesis) of all the suwaar (chapters) in the 30th Part of the Qur'aan. Each book in this 38 book series covers a different surah. The books feature:

- Special facts about the surah
- Arabic text of the surah
- English transliteration (to assist non-Arabic speakers)
- English translation
- Simplified Tafseer
- Coloring pages
- Highlighted Arabic vocabulary (linked to Ad-Duha Qur'aan lessons)
- One sentence summary of what the surah is about
- Review section
- Notes on the text (additional facts and information)

## Teaching Tips:

If your younger child has trouble going through the whole book in one sitting, or does not retain all of the information taught, then just focus on the Tafseer pages first (i.e. those that explain the verses of the surah) and save the additional information contained in the Quick Facts, What's Special, Asbaab An-Nuzool, and Vocabulary sections\* for later when your child has mastered the Tafseer.

For older or advanced students who need more of a challenge, you can take time to go through all sections and discuss the lesson notes for that section (located at the end of the text). This will make lessons more challenging and provide a deeper understanding of the Tafseer, and Allah knows best.

*\*Some books may not contain all of these sections.*



Mini Tafseer Book Series

# Suratul-'Alaq

# Quick Facts about Suratul-'Alaq

Suratul-'Alaq was revealed  
in **Makkah**.

The **first five** ayaat of Suratul-'Alaq  
were the **first ayaat** of the Qur'aan that  
Allah revealed to Rasulullah ﷺ. <sup>1</sup>

## So what is Suratul-'Alaq all about?

Suratul-'Alaq is all about being **thankful** to Allah for all of His blessings, and the knowledge He has given us, by listening to Him, even if other people **try to stop us.**

SPECIAL!

SPECIAL!

SPECIAL!

Now let's learn what makes  
Suratul-'Alaq so...

**SPECIAL!**  
SPECIAL!

SPECIAL!

SPECIAL!

# The first thing that is so special about Suratul-'Alaq is...

The **first five** ayaat of this surah are the **first revelation** that Rasulullah ﷺ received from Allah!²

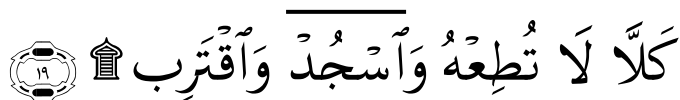
We will learn the whole story in just a bit, insha-Allah.



## The second thing that is so special about Suratul-'Alaq is...

This surah contains a **Soojood At-Tilaawah** (prostration of recitation); it occurs in the **final verse**.

There are 15 Soojood At-Tilaawah<sup>3</sup> in the Qur'aan and each is marked by a **line** over the word "soojood" in the text and/or a **arch-shaped** symbol at the end of the ayah as in the example below:



These prostrations occur after verses that mention prostration, or worshipping Allah and obeying His command.

When we come across these ayaat it is recommended to make soojood, as this was the Sunnah of Rasulullah ﷺ and the righteous companions that followed him.

It is important to note that the soojood is not 'waa-jib' (mandatory) as Rasulullah ﷺ observed it sometimes, but not all the time. Making this soojood is **'mus-ta-hab'** (highly recommended).

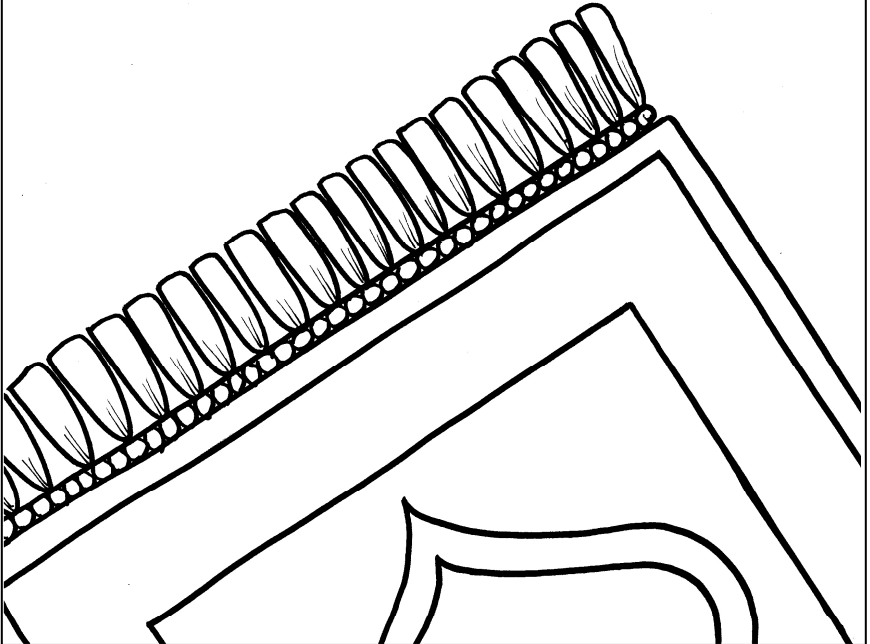
## The soojood should be performed in the following way...

1. Stand facing the Kabah and say the **Takbeer** (Allahu Akbar). It is good, but not required to have wudu'.
2. Make **soojood** (place your forehead on the floor with nose, palms of hands, knees, and toes all touching the floor). This is done once, not twice like in the daily salaah.
3. Say, **Subhana-rabbi-al-a'laa** (Glory be to Allah the most high) three times as in the soojood of the regular daily salaah.
4. If you like you can add the **du'a of prostration** (see facing page).
5. You do not have to make Tasleem (i.e. say "asalamualaikum...") or say Takbeer after completing the soojood.

سَجَدَ وَجْهِي لِلَّذِي خَلَقَهُ وَ صَوَّرَهُ وَ  
شَقَّ سَمْعَهُ وَبَصَرَهُ بِحَوْلِهِ وَ قُوَّتِهِ  
(تَبَارَكَ اللَّهُ أَحْسَنُ الْخَالِقِينَ)

(Sa-ja-da waj-hee lil-la-thee kha-la-qa-hoo, wa saw-wa-  
ra-hoo, wa shaq-qa sam 'a-hoo, wa ba-sa-ra-hoo, bi-  
how-lee-hee wa qoow-wa-tee-hee (you can also add)  
ta-baa-ra-kal-laa-hoo ah-sa-nool-khaa-lee-qeen)

“My face prostrated to the One Who created  
it and fashioned it and made its ears and eyes  
with His strength and power (blessed is He who  
is the best of Creators).” <sup>4</sup>



Now that we have learned what is so special about Suratul-'Alaq, let's get ready to learn what Suratul-'Alaq is all about!

We will start by learning **8 new words** from the Qur'aan.

The more words you know from the Qur'aan, the better you will understand each surah that you learn insha-Allah.

Understanding the Qur'aan is what Allah wants us to do!

So let's get started  
right now!

**8 NEW WORDS!**