

Sura Najm

1. What does the word 'najm' mean? What does Pumba from The Lion King define it as?
2. Some scholars believe the first section of this sura refers to the event of 'al isra wal meraj'. What is the definition of the phrase in English? Briefly explain what it is. On what date of the Islamic calendar do we observe it?
3. Who is 'your companion', as referred to in ayats #2-3 of this sura? What is the Holy Quran telling us about them?

Who does 'one of awesome power' in ayat #5 refer to? What is this ayat telling us in relation to the previous ayats?

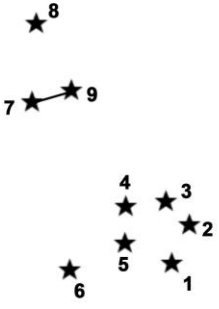
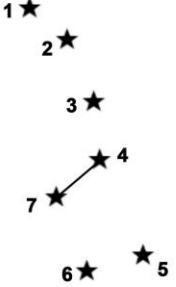
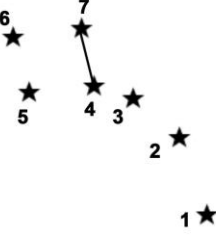




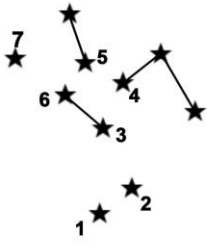
4. What is the significance of 'سَيِّدَةَ الْمُنْتَهَى', In which ayat of this sura is it mentioned?
5. What is ayat #11 of this sura claiming?
6. Who are the three idols mentioned in this sura which the Quraysh worshipped at the time of Prophet Muhammad (saw)? Give the ayat number(s).

In ayats #23-24, the Holy Quran criticises the followers of these idols; what two evils does it highlight and how do they apply to us?

7. Who (or what) is Sirius as mentioned in ayat #49 of this sura?

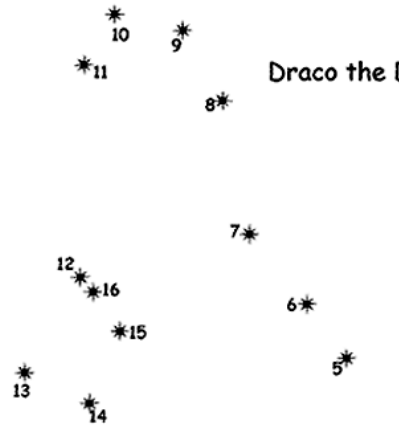
What two other names were used for the character 'Sirius' in the Harry Potter books?

8. Connect the dots to form some of the constellations found in the night sky!

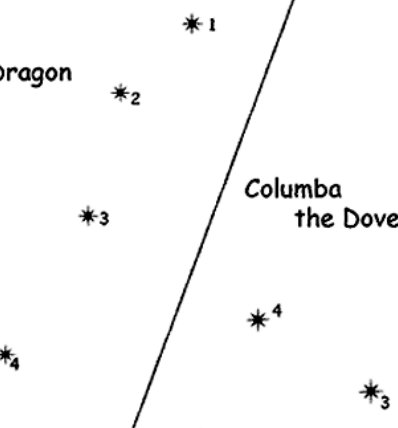
 <p>Leo</p>	 <p>Big Dipper</p>	 <p>Little Dipper</p>	 <p>Cepheus</p>
 <p>Cassiopeia</p>	 <p>Cancer</p>	 <p>Cygnus</p>	 <p>Hercules</p>



Constellation Star to Star

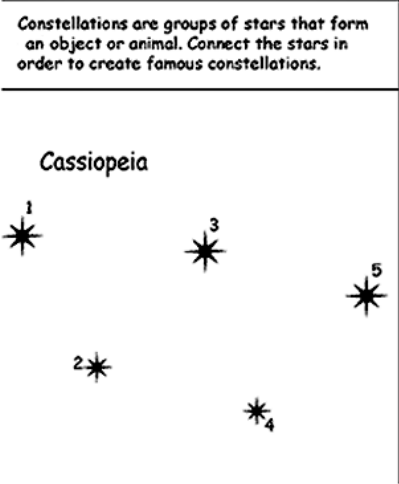


Draco the Dragon

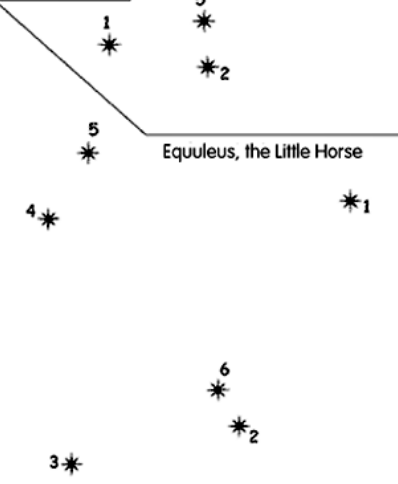


Columba the Dove

Constellations are groups of stars that form an object or animal. Connect the stars in order to create famous constellations.



Cassiopeia



Equuleus, the Little Horse

9. What is the translation of the following ayat: **فَيَأْتِي آلَاءِ رَبِّكَ تَتَمَارَىٰ**?

It bears resemblance to an ayat that was repeated 31 times in which other sura of the Holy Quran? (Hint: we had a quiz on it previously!)

10. Read the translation for ayat #32 of this sura. What do you understand by it?

Bonus: If your mum and dad say it's okay, go outside on a clear night to do some stargazing and see if you can find Sirius and Canis Major...as well as some of the other constellations. You can use one of the stargazing apps, such as 'Sky Map', 'Star Walk 2' or 'The Milky Way' to help you!