The 4 Quls

1. There are a group of 4 suras called the 'Quls'; why are referred to in this manner? What is the meaning of 'Qul'?

The 4 suras can be further sub-grouped as Al Muawwidhataan (The Two Protectors) and Al Muqashqishataan (The Two Cures). Complete the table below.

	Kafirun	Ikhlas	Falaq	Naas
Sura number				
English				
meaning of				
name				
Total no. ayats				
Protector or				
Cure?				

- 2. Sura Kafirun was revealed in response to what proposal made by the Quraysh to Prophet Muhammed (saw)?
- 3. Give the English translation of the following ayat. What is the purpose of its repetition in this sura?

- 4. What conclusion does Sura Kafirun make in the end?
- 5. In Sura Ikhlas, what do scholars tell us of the use of the word 'ahad' rather than the word 'waahid' to denote Allah's (swt) Oneness in the first ayat?

6.	The word 'ahad' is again used in the last ayat of Sura Ikhlas; what is this verse telling us?
7.	In Sura Falaq, we seek refuge from what 4 evils?
8.	The Holy Quran tells us, 'What comes to you of good is from Allah (swt), but what comes to you of evil, [O man], is from yourself' (4:79). So then according to Sura Falaq, what evil has 'He created'?
9.	Sura Naas describes Allah's (swt) position in relation to humankind using the following titles; give their English translations. What are these three verses telling us? رَبِّ النَّاسِ مَلِكِ النَّاسِ
10.	الم المعنى In Sura Naas, what do scholars understand by the Arabic word: وَ سُوَّاسِ ؟