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A detailed Islamic geometric pattern in shades of blue, teal, and gold. It features a central circular motif with a gold star-like design, surrounded by complex interlocking lines and shapes. The pattern is set against a dark blue background with lighter blue and gold accents.

## Sources of Wisdom and Authority

### Unit 1 Islam

## Unit 1: Part A

### Islam: Core beliefs and practices

References taken from The Qur'an, English Meanings and Notes by Saheeh International  
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Beliefs Nature of God	<p><b>Qur'an 3:18</b> Allah witnesses that there is no deity except Him, and [so do] the angels and those of knowledge – [that He is] maintaining the creation in justice. There is no deity except Him, the Exalted in Might, the Wise.</p> <p><b>Qur'an 46:33</b> And the evil consequences of what they did will appear to them, and they will be enveloped by what they used to ridicule.</p>
The Qur'an	<p><b>Qur'an 2:97-98</b> <sup>97</sup>Say, "Whoever is an enemy to Gabriel – it is [none but] he who has brought it [i.e. the Qur'an] down upon your heart, [O Muhammad], by permission of Allah, confirming that which was before it and as guidance and good tidings for the believers." <sup>98</sup>Whoever is an enemy to Allah and His angels and His messengers and Gabriel and Michael – then indeed, Allah is an enemy to the disbelievers.</p>
Practices The Five Pillars of Sunni Islam	<p><b>Qur'an 15:98-99</b> <sup>98</sup>So exalt Allah with praise of your Lord and be of those who prostrate [to Him]. <sup>99</sup>And worship your Lord until there comes to you the certainty [i.e. death].</p> <p><b>Qur'an 29:45</b> <sup>45</sup>Recite, [O Muhammad], what has been revealed to you of the Book and establish prayer. Indeed, prayer prohibits immorality and wrongdoing, and the remembrance of Allah is greater. And Allah knows that which you do.</p>
Obligatory Acts	<p><b>Qur'an 2:183</b> <sup>183</sup>O you who have believed, decreed upon you is fasting as it was decreed upon those before you that you may become righteous.</p>

## Part B: Theme 1 Issues of Life and Death

### Content from Islamic and non-religious perspectives

The World	<p><b>Qur'an 36:81</b> Is not He who created the heavens and the earth Able to create the likes of them? Yes, [it is so]; and He is the Knowing Creator.</p> <p><b>Qur'an 7:54</b> Indeed, your Lord is Allah who created the heavens and the earth in six days and then established himself above the throne. He covers the night with the day, [another night] chasing it rapidly; and [He created] the sun, moon, and the stars, subjected by His command. Unquestionably, His is the creation and the command; blessed is Allah, Lord of the worlds.</p>
The origin and value of Human Life	<p><b>Qur'an 5:32</b> Because of that, We decreed upon the children of Israel that whoever kills a soul unless for a soul or for corruption [done] in the land – it is as if he had slain mankind entirely. And Our messengers had certainly come to them with clear proofs. Then indeed many of them, [even] after that throughout the land, were transgressors.</p> <p><b>Qur'an 6:151</b> (Say, "Come, I will recite what your Lord has prohibited to you. [He commands] that you not associate anything with Him and to parents, good treatment, and) <b><i>do not kill your children out of poverty; We will provide for you and them.</i></b> (And do not approach immoralities – what is apparent of them and what is concealed.) <b><i>And do not kill the soul which Allah has forbidden [to be killed] except by [legal] right.</i></b> This has He instructed you that you may use reason."</p> <p><b>Qur'an 30:40</b> Allah is the one who created you, then provided for you, then will cause you to die and then will give you life.</p>
Beliefs about the death and afterlife	<p><b>Qur'an 46:33</b> And the evil consequences of what they did will appear to them, and they will be enveloped by what they used to ridicule.</p> <p><b>Qur'an 3:16</b> Those who say "O Lord, indeed we have believed, so forgive us our sins and protect us from the punishment of the Fire."</p>



## Part B: Theme 2 Good and Evil

### Content from an Islamic perspective

Crime and Punishment	<p><b>Qur'an 16:90</b> Indeed, Allah orders justice and good conduct and giving [help] to relatives and forbids immorality and bad conduct and oppression. He admonishes you that perhaps you will be reminded.</p>
Forgiveness	<p><b>Qur'an 64:14</b> (O you who have believed, indeed, among your spouses and your children are enemies to you, so beware of them. But...) <b><i>if you pardon and overlook and forgive - then indeed, Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.</i></b></p> <p><b>Qur'an 42:30</b> And whatever strikes you of disaster – it is for what your hands have earned; but he pardons much.</p>
Good, Evil and Suffering	<p><b>Qur'an 2:34</b> And [mention] when we said to the angels "Prostrate before Adam"; so they prostrated, except for Iblis. He refused and was arrogant and became the disbelievers.</p> <p><b>Qur'an 2:155</b> And we will surely test you with something of fear and hunger and a loss of wealth and lives and fruits, but give good tidings to the patient.</p>

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