



LEVEL I

Introduction to the Study of the Quran

Overview

This level aims at introducing the student to the Quranic methodology and themes. These themes concentrate in particular on the ethical teachings of the Quran, emphasizing the fact that the Quran above all is a book of character.

Outline

Unit 1 elaborates on the seven beautiful characteristics. Unit 2 deals with the study of man. It focuses on identifying the distinctive features of human beings which separates them from non-human beings. It explores the various human faculties, both innate and acquired, and further puts into perspective the tri-dimensional relationship between God, His word, and man.

The All Merciful. He taught the Quran. He created the human being. He taught him articulation. (The Quran, chapter The All Merciful, 55:1-4)

Unit 1 The Seven Words of the Quran

- Lesson 1: The Seven Words and their Constituents
- Lesson 2: The Growth and Expansion of the Word
- Lesson 3: The Models of Ibrahim and Muhammad (peace be upon them)

Unit 2 Humanities: Man's Creation and Evolution

- Lesson 1: Maintaining the Balance Between the Old and New Disposition
- Lesson 2: Humans and their Faculties
- Lesson 3: The Human Heart
- Lesson 4: The Soul and Spirit
- Lesson 5: Rest and Journey
- Lesson 6: *Mulk* and *Malakut*
- Lesson 7: Waking and Sleeping
- Lesson 8: Commandment and Creation
- Lesson 9: Remembrance, Reflection, Gazing and Sighting

Evaluation

Assessments will be done via 1 quiz and 2 written assignments. The dates are at the discretion of Imam Fode Drame. All assignments must be emailed to assignments.qhe@zawiyah.ca

Course Materials

- *Level I: Introduction to the Study of the Quran Textbook*, Imam Fode Drame
- *The Rejuvenation of the Soul*, Imam Fode Drame
- *Anwar al-Quran*, Imam Fode Drame

Online Study

- Both online students and in-class students will have access to the class recordings once a week.