

PLAN:

1. **STARTER:** Ask children to think about why we pray salaah and why salaah is important.
2. Take some feedback and create a list on the board (maybe separate into physical benefits and spiritual benefits of salaah).
3. **LESSON:** introduce the dua of Prophet Ibrahim (AS) (with meaning) and discuss when he recited it.
4. Show the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RCxmwHC-rM4>
5. Continue lesson as per notes and finish with activity and plenary.

The Duas of Prophet Ibrahim (AS)

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

To reflect on some of the duas and understand their application in our lives:

- To understand the importance of salaah in our lives as Muslims.
- To reflect on whether it is important to ask Allah to accept our salah.

Prophet Ibrahim's dua to establish salaah and ask Allah to accept his prayers.

This is also a prayer of Ibrahim to make him establish prayer, and to give his children the motivation to do the same, and to favour them all by accepting their worship.

For accepting of sunnah and wajib prayers, we may recite this dua'a after every prayer.

رَبِّ اجْعَلْنِي مُقِيمَ الصَّلَاةِ وَمِنْ ذُرِّيَّتِي رَبَّنَا وَتَقَبَّلْ دُعَاءِ

O Lord, make me steadfast in prayer, and (also) some of my offspring. O our Lord, accept my prayer. (Sura Ibrahim, 14: 40).

This dua is recited as part of the salah for children by their parents. In this dua, we are asking Allah to not only make ourselves steadfast but also our children.

DISCUSSION POINTS:

- Work on the activity below first. Now discuss the ideas the children have come up with – What could ‘Steadfast in prayer’ mean? (concentration, regular, on time, correct recitation, correct makaarij, correct actions etc)

REFLECTION:

- Why do you think Allah has made salaah obligatory through the day?

ACTIVITY:

In pairs / groups, think about what Prophet Ibrahim might have meant when he says “steadfast in prayers”. Create a spider diagram with some ideas ready to discuss as a class.