

Level 5: Growth & Commitment

Goal: Deepen love for Allah, refine practice, and prepare to be self-guided.

- Intro to Fiqh Schools — Understanding differences respectfully.
- The Role of the Ummah — Community service, dawah.
- More Qur'an Memorization & Tafsir
- Learning Arabic Language
- Tazkiyah (Spiritual Development) — Purifying the soul, sincerity (ikhlas), gratitude.
- Introduction to Islamic History
- Dealing with doubts — Q&A on common misconceptions

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1) Introduction to Fiqh Schools

Objective – Explain that **differences in Islamic rulings can exist respectfully.**

- A. Introduce the four major schools: Hanafi. Maliki. Shafi'i. Hanbali
- B. Explain - all rely on Qur'an and Sunnah. There are differences that arise from interpretation.
- C. It is IMPORTANT to respect scholarly disagreement and AVOID arguing over minor issues.

2) The Role of the Ummah

Objective - Help students understand Islam is a **community religion.**

A. Brotherhood and Sisterhood. The Prophet ﷺ said believers are like one body. Hence, we must help each other, visit the sick, give charity

B. Community Service

Examples - Helping the poor. Teaching new Muslims. Volunteering at mosques

C. Daawah

Explain that Muslims should invite others to Islam **with wisdom and good manners.**
Good character is powerful daawah.

3) Qur'an Memorization and Tafsir

Encourage students to continue memorizing short surahs like Ad-Duha, Ash-Sharh, Al-'Asr
Teach **basic tafsir** – Context. Meaning. Lessons. Encourage daily Qur'an reading.

4) Learning Arabic

- A. Explain - why is Arabic important? Language of the Qur'an. Language of prayer. Helps deeper understanding

B. Basic vocabulary. Qur'anic words. Reading the Qur'an in Arabic

5) Tazkiyah (Spiritual Development)

Objective - Teach students that Islam is not only law — it is also purification of the heart.

A. Ikhlas (Sincerity) - Acts must be for Allah alone. Good deeds lose reward if done for other than Allah and for showing off.

B. Gratitude (Shukr) - Teach gratitude through daily du'a, reflection on blessings, charity

C. Fighting the Nafs - Discuss struggles like: Anger. Jealousy. Pride. Encourage: Dhikr. Patience, Self-reflection

6) Introduction to Islamic History

Objective: Help students feel **connected to the Ummah's heritage**.

Brief overview after the Prophet ﷺ:

- A. The Rightly Guided Caliphs
- B. Spread of Islam
- C. Great scholars

7) Dealing with Doubts

Many reverts encounter questions and doubts. So, asatiz should create a **safe space for discussion**. Common topics: Why suffering exists. Women's rights in Islam. Misconceptions about jihad. Questions about hadith

Teach students: Doubts are normal. Seek answers from knowledgeable scholars. Strengthen faith through knowledge and worship.

Note:

After completing Level 5, students should:

- Practice Islam confidently.
- Understand basic fiqh differences.
- Continue learning independently.
- Feel connected to the Muslim community.
- Possess stronger love for Allah and His Messenger ﷺ.