

# Year 8 Term 2: Living in 21st century Britain: What is good/challenging about being a teenage Muslim in Britain today?

**Human/social sciences** = this is about *'living'*. It explores the diverse ways in which people practice their beliefs. It engages with the impact of beliefs on individuals, communities and societies.

**Key vocabulary**

**Commitment** = An act of dedication

**Community** = A group of people living in one place OR a group of people that have something in common

**Discrimination** = Deliberately treating someone differently (negatively) due to a prejudice.

**Evidence** = The set of facts or information showing whether a belief is true.

**Fact** = something that is true; Can be proven to be true.

**Faith** = To have complete trust or confidence in something or someone, regardless of proof.

**Hajj** = Obligatory pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in your lifetime

**Islamophobia** = A dislike of or prejudice against Islam or Muslims

**Multifaith** = More than one faith/worldview/religion

**Prejudice** = Making judgements about someone without knowing them.

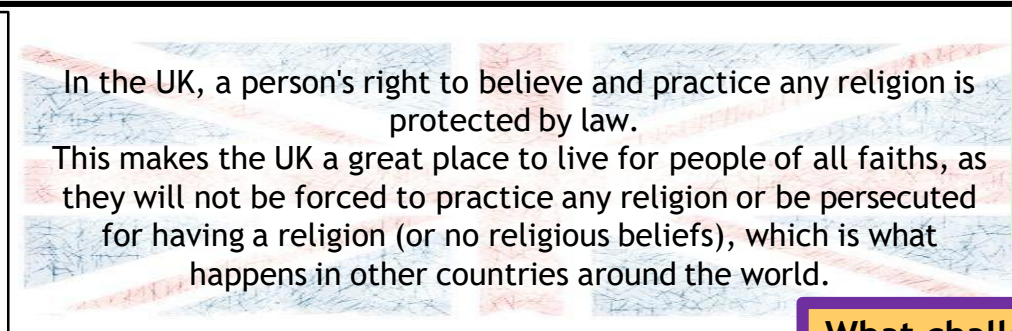
**Salah** = Prayer (Sunni = 5 times a day)

**Sawm** = Fasting during the month of Ramadan

**Shahadah** = Declaration of faith

**Ummah** = Worldwide community of Muslims

**Zakat** = Charitable giving (Sunni = 2.5% of wealth)



In the UK, a person's right to believe and practice any religion is protected by law.

This makes the UK a great place to live for people of all faiths, as they will not be forced to practice any religion or be persecuted for having a religion (or no religious beliefs), which is what happens in other countries around the world.

“Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms... without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion...”

(Universal Declaration of Human Rights - Article 2)

**Why should we learn about different worldviews?**

**Our Muslim community in Swindon**

- Population of Swindon = 209,156
- Muslim population of Swindon = 3538
- Number of mosques = 4
- Christian population of Swindon = 120,287
- Number of churches = over 30

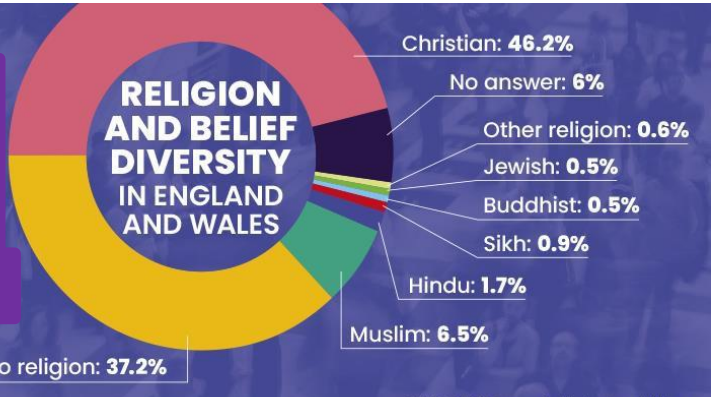
**What challenges do young Muslims face in Britain today?**






Clothing?

Food?

Beliefs?

Worship?



5 PILLARS OF ISLAM		
	SHAHADAH	Testify that none has the right to be worshipped but Allah & Muhammad is His Messenger
	SALAH	Offering Salah (prayer) five times a day.
	ZAKAT	Paying the Zakat (giving alms or charity).
	HAJJ	Going to pilgrimage to the House of Allah at Makkah.
	FASTING	Fasting in the month of the Ramadan.



**How can we challenge prejudice and discrimination in our community?**

**What does it mean to be 'religious'?**

- Having faith in a deity or other supreme being
- Following the rules and laws set by your religion e.g. dietary rules
- Celebrating religious festivals and special days
- Living by the standards expected of your deity and/or religion
- Wearing special clothing
- Going to special places, such as on a pilgrimage

“Because you have seen me you believe. Blessed are those who have not seen me and yet have believed” ~ John 20:29