

What is Ramadan? Why do people celebrate it, and what do they do? Watch some young people explaining all about it.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises. Remember you can read the transcript at any time.

### Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

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| 1..... a prayer                      | a. to eat no food for some time                            |
| 2..... a charity                     | b. sunrise; the beginning of the day                       |
| 3..... to fast                       | c. the time when the sun goes down and night begins        |
| 4..... to celebrate                  | d. relating to your religion, feelings or beliefs          |
| 5..... to be allowed to do something | e. to do something fun and enjoyable on a special day      |
| 6..... dawn                          | f. an organisation that does work to help needy people     |
| 7..... sunset                        | g. something you say to or ask God                         |
| 8..... spiritual                     | h. to be able to do something; people let you do something |

### 1. Check your understanding: ordering

Write a number (1–4) to put these sections of the video in order.

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| ..... | What is Eid?                  |
| ..... | What is Ramadan?              |
| ..... | What about school?            |
| ..... | How else do people celebrate? |

## 2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the sentences with a word or phrase from the box.

family and friends	charities	God	children
sunset	prayers	midday	dawn

1. At Ramadan, people fast from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. They do that to feel closer to \_\_\_\_\_ and to remember the suffering of poor people.
3. People also raise money for and donate to \_\_\_\_\_.
4. It's important to pay attention to your \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
5. Young \_\_\_\_\_ aren't allowed to fast, but some older ones may try fasting just until \_\_\_\_\_.
6. At the end of the month of Ramadan, there is a celebration with \_\_\_\_\_.

### Discussion

Do you fast for Ramadan? How do you celebrate it?