

سُورَةُ الْبَلَدِ The City

Theme:

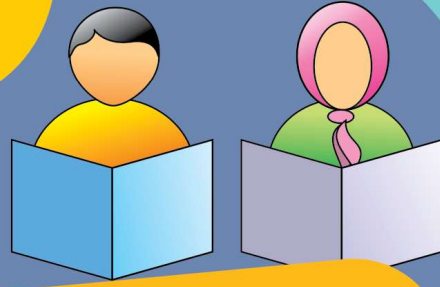
The surah of Choices



- Allah (ﷻ) says that man is made to work hard. Whether for this world or for Aakhirah.
- Allah (ﷻ) gave him lips and tongue to talk and two eyes to see and then showed him the two ways of good and evil.
- Allah (ﷻ) gave man **the choice to use his senses and choose his way.**
- The **good way** is uphill and looks hard to follow but takes us to bliss (Jannat). In this way we have to help others in difficulty and share with them even at the time of our need.
- Then we will be among the right people who believed, showed patience and were kind.
- While the **evil way** is to follow one's own desires and deny Allah (ﷻ). Those who do so are the evil people who will end up in fire closed on to them.



Working with the surah:



Learn these Ayats:

But he (man) did not make his way through the steep (and difficult) path and what do you know what that steep (and difficult) path is?

فَلَا افْتَحَمَ الْعُقْبَةَ ^ط وَمَا اَدْرَاكَ مَا الْعُقْبَةُ ^ط

It is freeing of a bondman or feeding on a day of severe hunger.

فَكَ رَقَبَةٍ ^ط اَوْ اطْعَمَ ^ط فِي يَوْمٍ ذِي مَسْغَبَةٍ ^ط

To an orphan of near relationship or the needy one in misery.

يَتِيْمًا ذَا مَقْرَبَةٍ ^ط اَوْ مِسْكِيْنًا ذَا مَتْرَبَةٍ ^ط

PRACTICAL TIPS

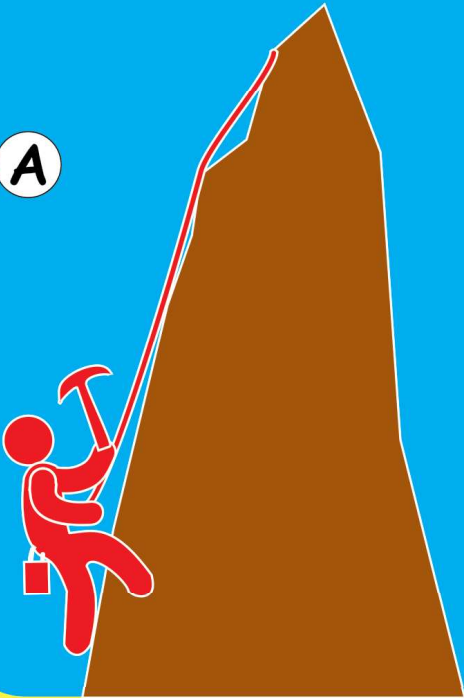
Allah (ﷻ) gave us the senses to look around and make the best choice of following the right path. We should show faith, patience and kindness to be the right people on the right path.

UP HILL

The path for good deeds is like going uphill as it is struggle against desire but is crowned by Jannat. In the following activity observe the picture **A** and find the corresponding requirements in picture **B**.

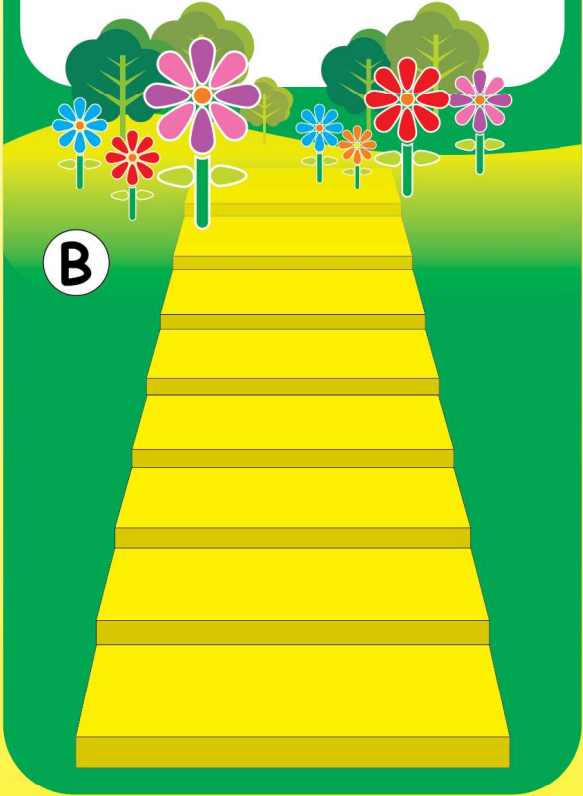
CLIMBING UPHILL
Aim: To reach the top.
Equipment: Rope and Axe
Power: Physical power.
Difficulty: Strong winds.
Method: Stabilise with rope and axe and move upwards.

A



THE GOOD WAY
Aim:
Equipment:
Power:
Difficulty:
Method:

B



Evaluation

Answer the following questions

Explain the good way described in this surah .

Explain the evil way in the light of this surah .

