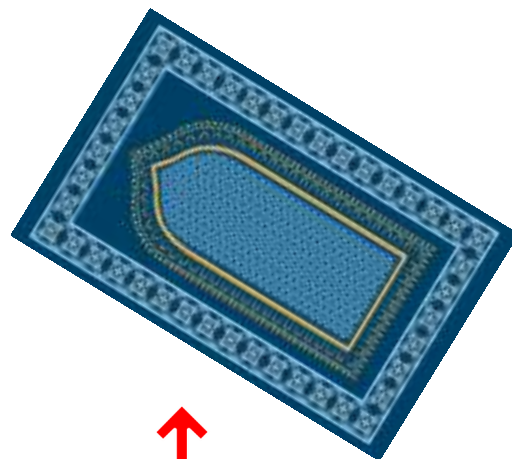
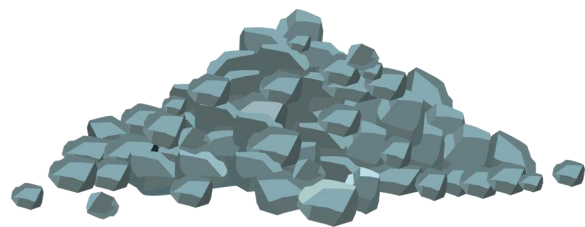




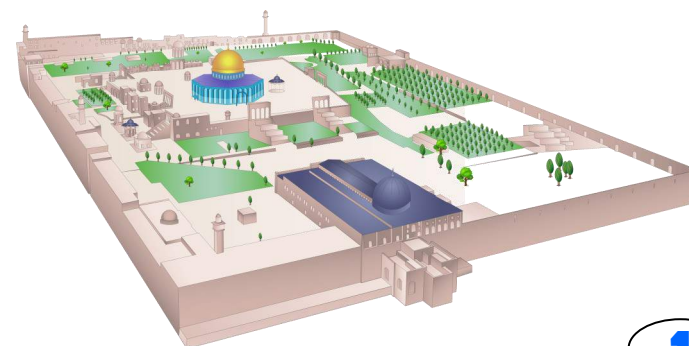
DAY 5

Salah ad-Din

AQSA WEEK KIDS



Defenders of Al-Aqsa



PEACE

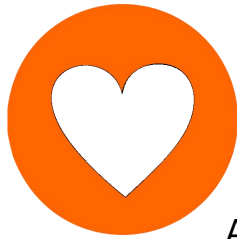
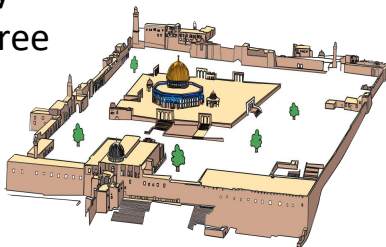
After Salah ad-Din and his men defeated the crusaders at Hattin they headed towards Jerusalem.

The crusaders had been occupying Jerusalem for 88 years. The crusaders were Christians from Europe who came to take over the holy land. They

were very cruel, attacking, stealing and killing Muslims and others.

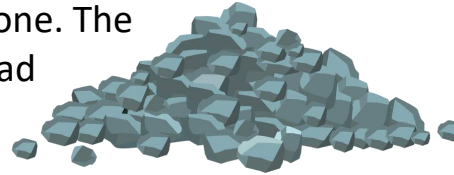


Salah ad-Din and his men were feeling a mix of emotions. They were a little nervous because they didn't know if they would win. But they were also super excited because they believed in their hearts that they were doing something really important—to free Jerusalem and the beautiful Masjid Al-Aqsa!



Many of Salah ad-Din's men had only heard stories about Masjid Al-Aqsa from their parents and grandparents. Can you imagine how excited they were to finally see it?

After a few days of battling, something amazing happened—the crusaders gave up! Jerusalem was free again! The Muslims entered the city, but they felt sad when they saw how much damage had been done. The crusaders had caused so much harm.



But instead of being angry and taking revenge, Salah ad-Din and his men did something truly special. They remembered the teachings of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and decided to forgive everyone. They wanted to bring peace, not more pain.



Then, the most wonderful work began! Salah ad-Din and his team started cleaning and repairing Masjid Al-Aqsa. They rolled out beautiful new carpets, lit sparkling lamps, and made it look absolutely amazing.

Everyone was so happy when they finally prayed in the mosque—it was a dream come true!



But their work didn't stop there. They carefully fixed up the rest of the city too, making sure not to harm the places

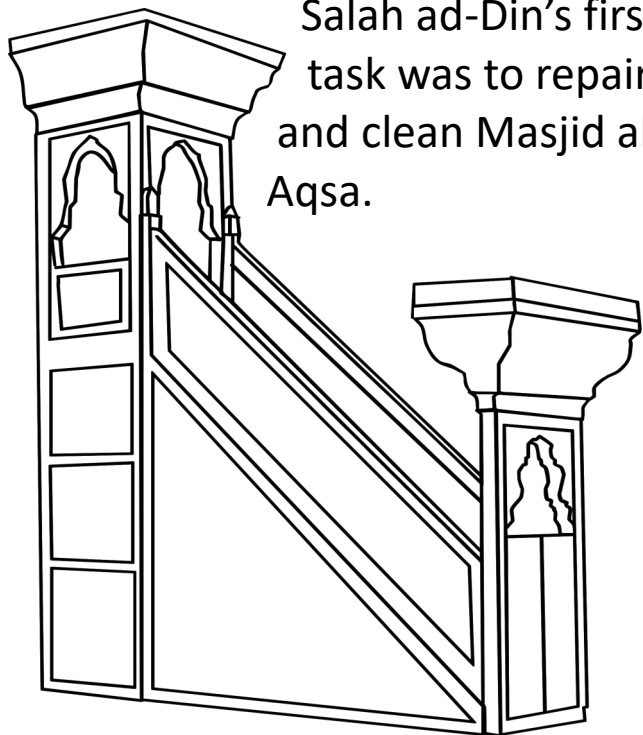
that belonged to other religious communities.

Slowly, Jerusalem became a peaceful and happy city again—a place where people of all faiths could live in harmony.

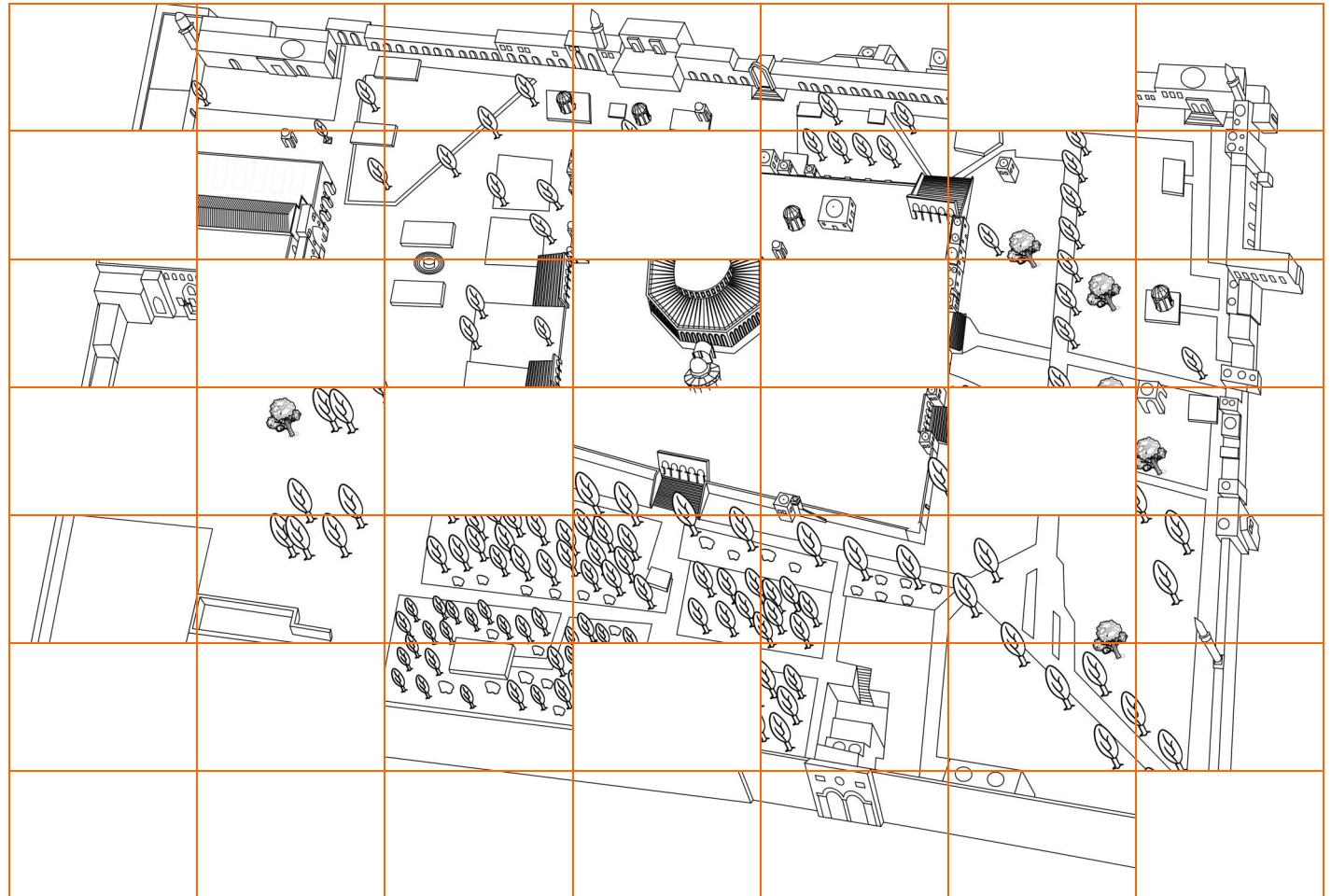


RESTORE

It had been almost 88 years since the Crusaders captured Masjid al-Aqsa and Jerusalem. This was such a difficult time for all the Muslims. Masjid Al-Aqsa and Jerusalem was now free because of Salah ad-Din's hard work and dedication.



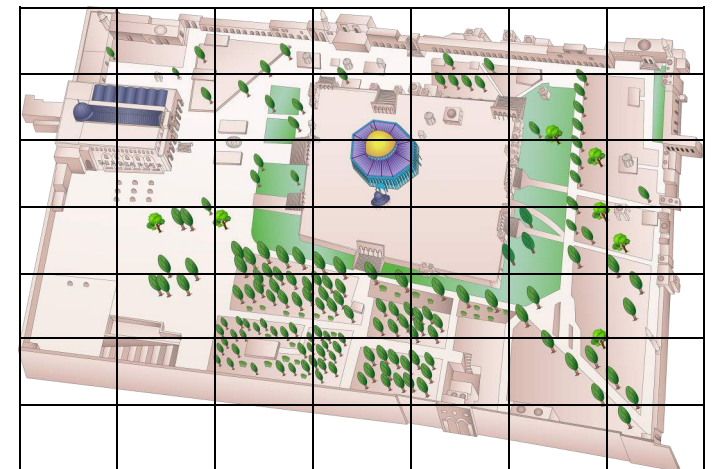
Salah ad-Din's first task was to repair and clean Masjid al-Aqsa.



Do you remember where the beautiful Mimbar of Nur ad-Din was placed in Masjid Al-Aqsa?



Complete the picture of Masjid Al-Aqsa by drawing the missing parts



RESPECT

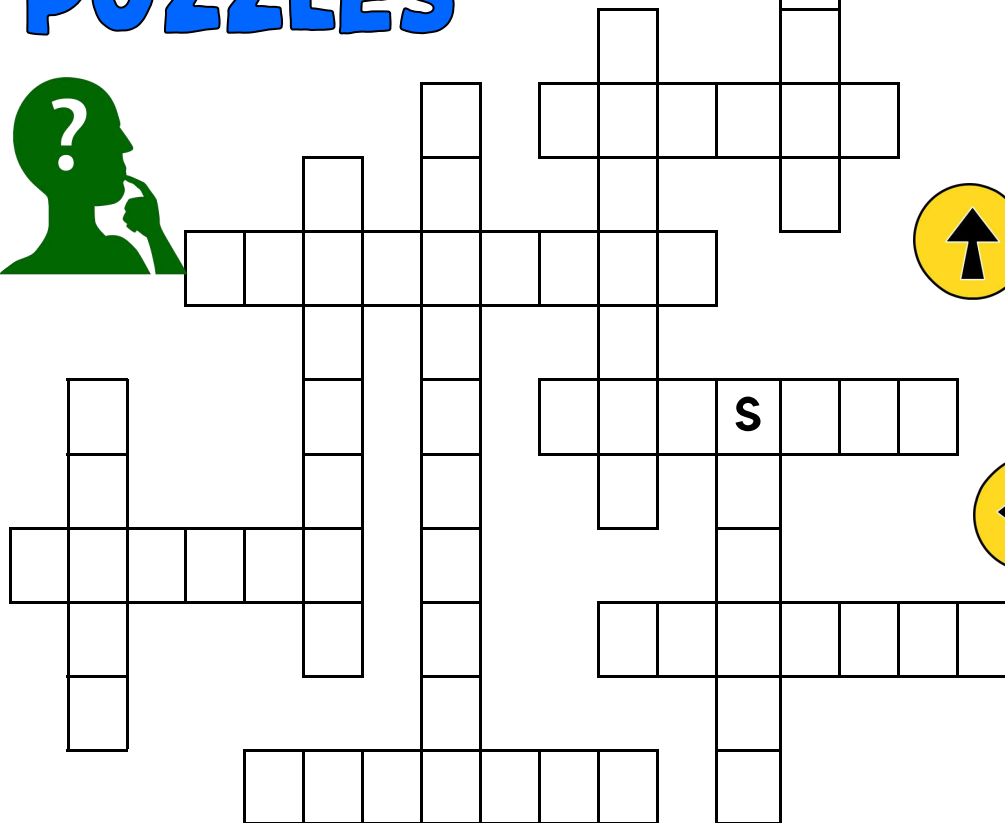
Salah ad-Din instructed his men not to break or **disrespect** any items or buildings belonging to other **faiths**.

Salah ad-Din was unlike the Crusaders; he wanted **unity** amongst the people. Salah ad-Din wanted to allow people to have **freedom** to worship in their special places, in **safety** and **peace**.

Salah ad-Din reminded the people that when the great caliph Umar ﷺ liberated **Jerusalem** from the Romans, he had signed a **treaty**, which was a promise that the Muslims would protect all the places of **worship** of the other religions.

Salah ad-Din reminded the Muslims that they must keep this **promise** and continue to **protect** these **special** places of worship that belonged to other people.

WORD PUZZLES



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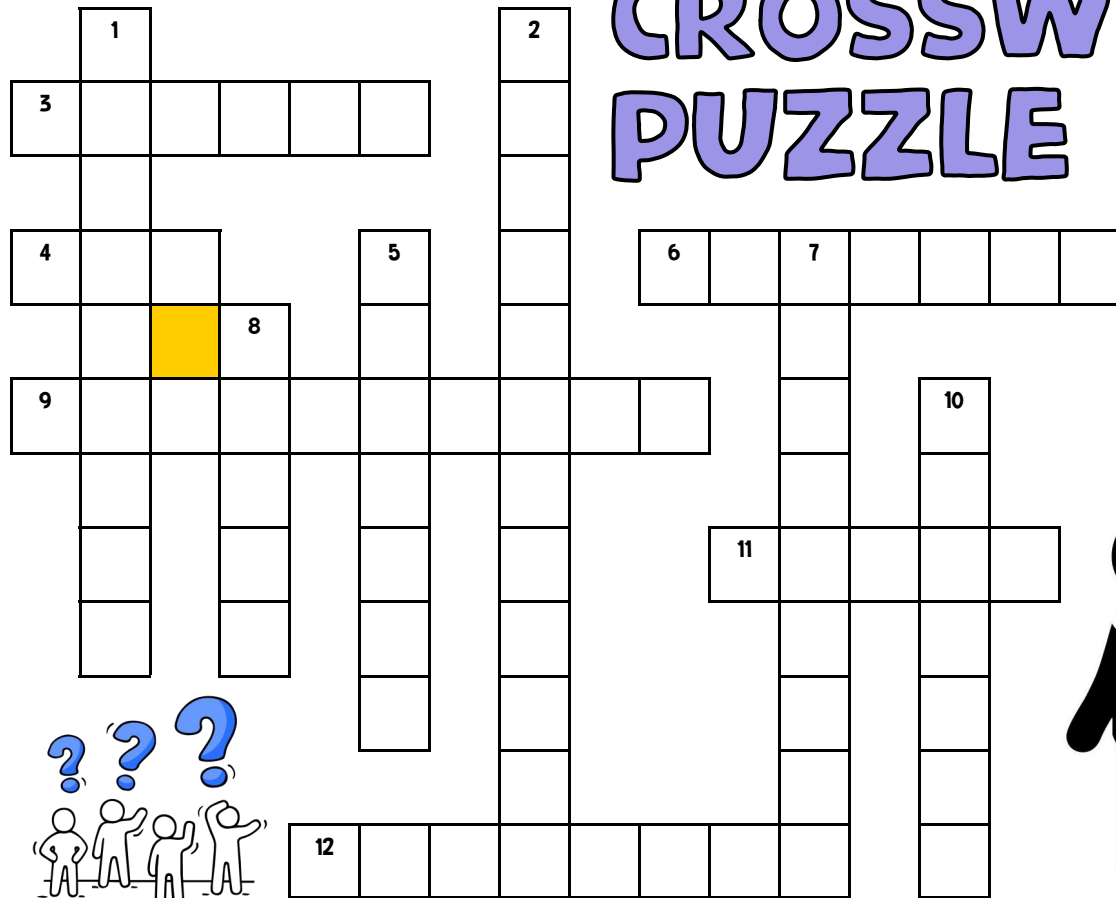


DOWN

1. After the victory at Hattin, Salah ad-Din liberated the city of _____.
2. _____ was liberated after 88 years.
5. At a young age, Salah ad-Din _____ from the scholars of Mosul.
7. The Muslims _____ the other faiths.
8. The Muslims repaired and tidied the Masjid and performed _____ in peace.
10. The Muslims installed new _____ and lamps.

ACROSS

3. Salah ad-Din gave all his _____ away.
4. Salah ad-Din always made _____ to Allah.
6. The places of _____ of other faiths were safe.



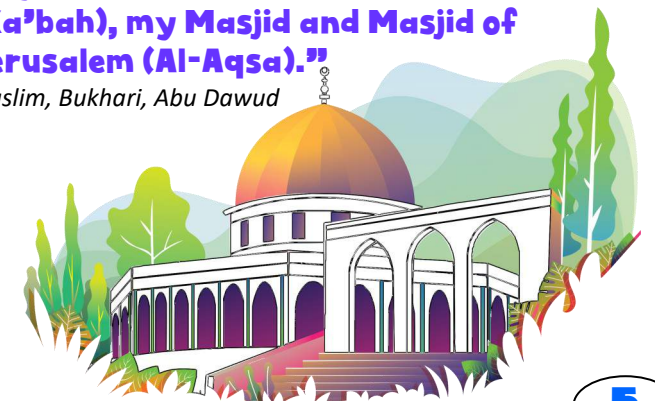
9. _____ finally liberated Jerusalem after many years of hard work and sacrifice.
11. Salah ad-Din died when he was fifty-six _____ old in Damascus.
12. The Muslims _____ Masjid Al-Aqsa and other buildings in Jerusalem.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"For three Masjids a special journey may be undertaken: The Sacred Masjid (Ka'bah), my Masjid and Masjid of Jerusalem (Al-Aqsa)."

Muslim, Bukhari, Abu Dawud

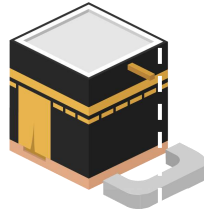


HAJJ & UMRAH



Amazed

Our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ loved Masjid Al-Aqsa and asked the Muslims to take care of this very special place.

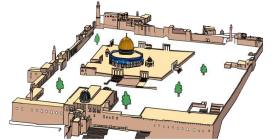
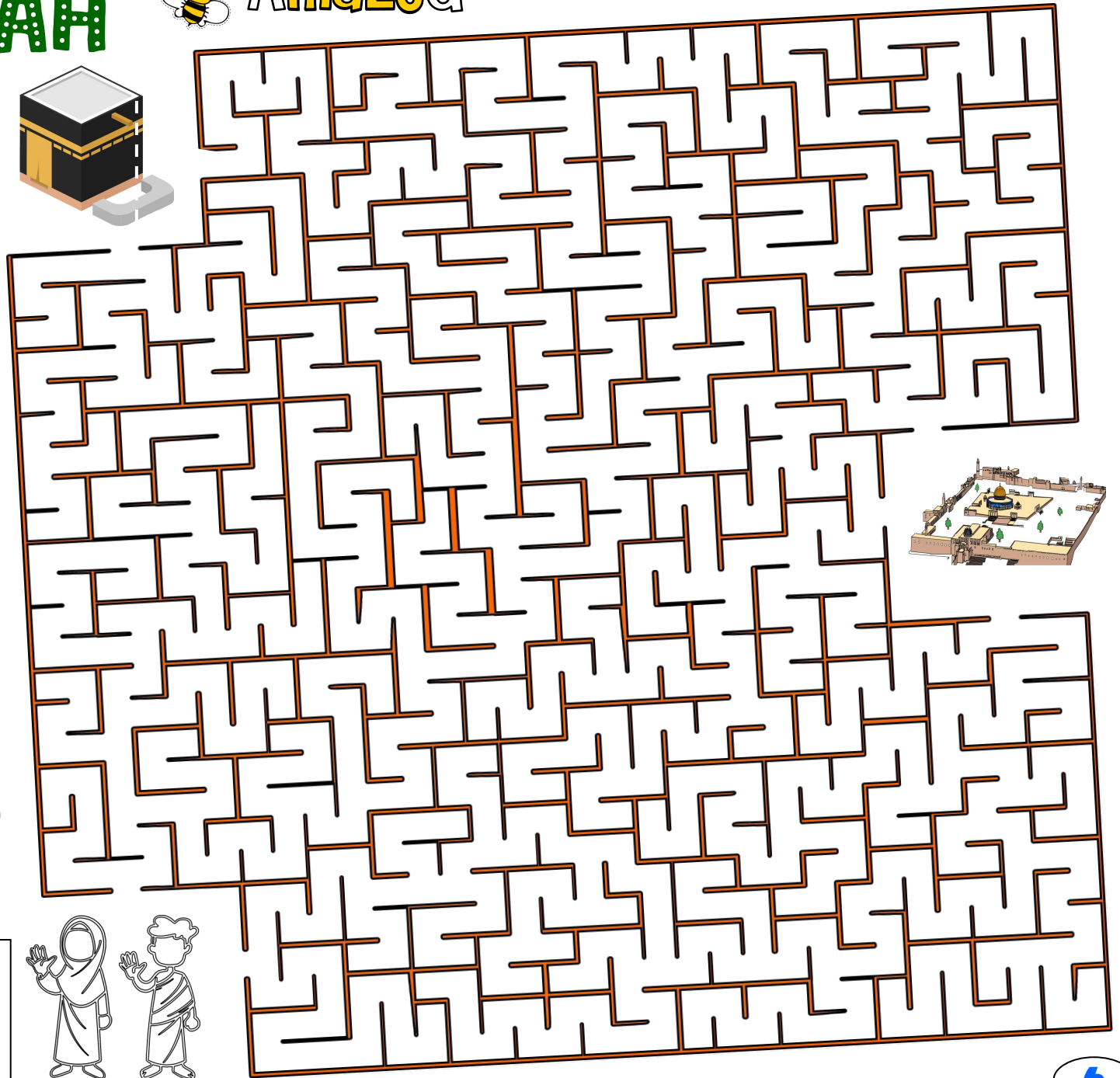


Our Prophet ﷺ encouraged Muslims to put on ihram in Masjid al-Aqsa before going on Hajj or Umrah.

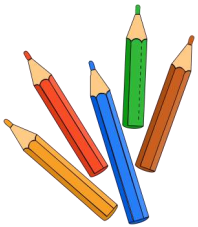
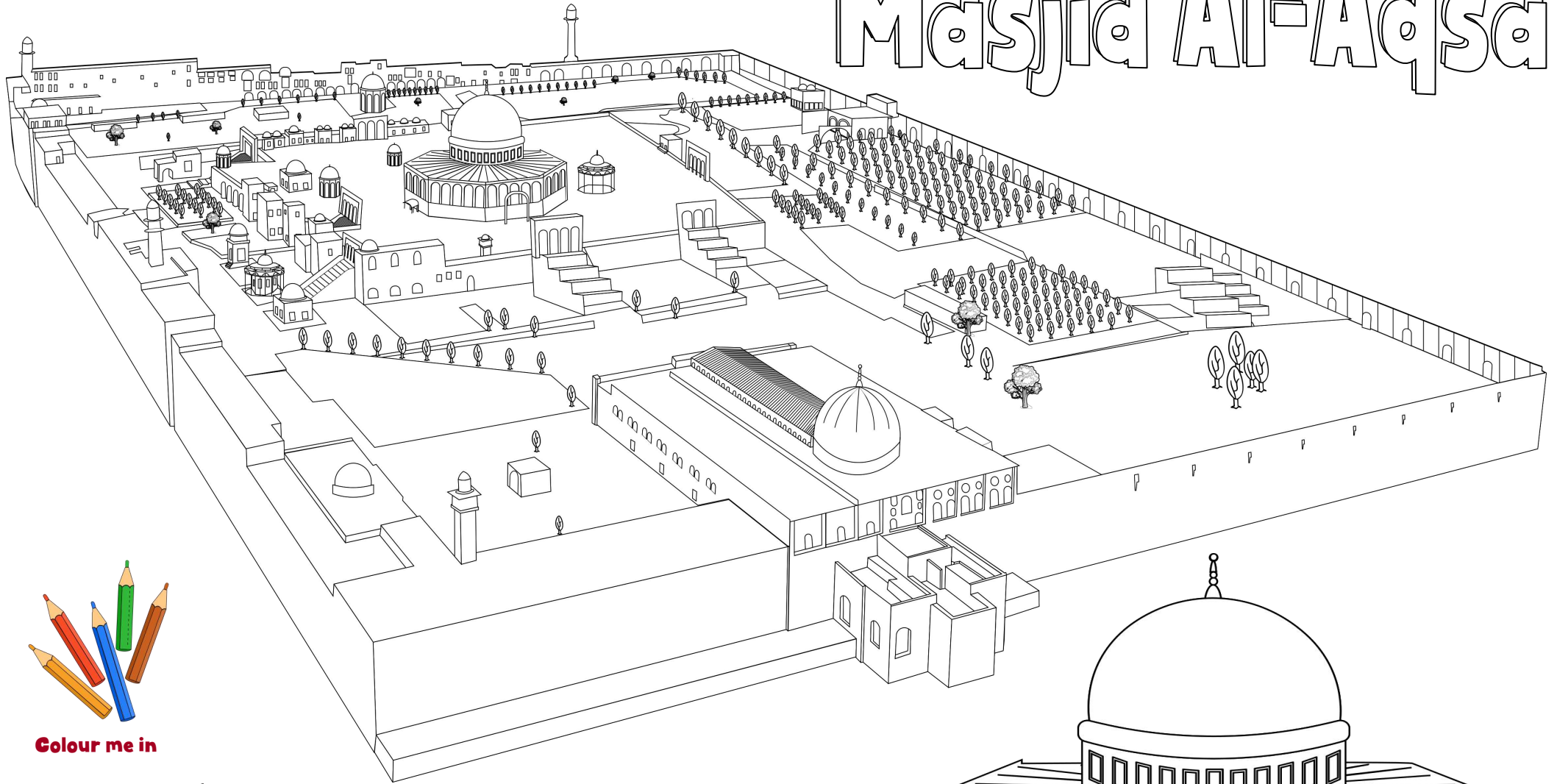
If anyone puts on Ihram for Hajj or Umrah from Masjid Al-Aqsa and then proceeds to the Sacred Masjid (Ka'bah), their past and future sins will be forgiven, or they will be entered into Paradise.

Abu Dawud

Amina and Abdullah want to do Hajj, starting from Masjid Al-Aqsa. Can you help?



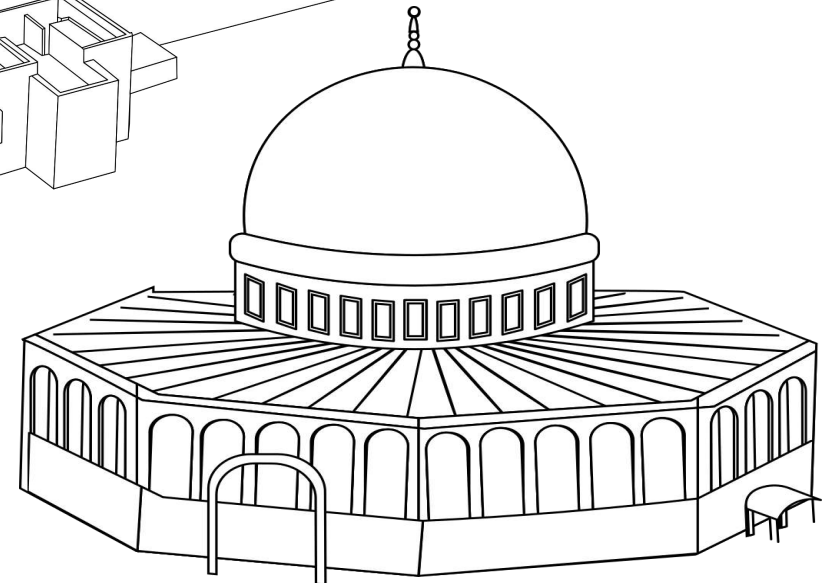
Masjid Al-Aqsa



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MASJID QIBLY



'DOME OF THE ROCK'