

## Ideas to celebrate the birthday of Prophet Muhammad (s)

- 1) A Play on the Prophet - Choose a story from the life of the Prophet and get children (or adults) to perform a play.
- 2) Story telling session - there are many interesting stories on the Prophet. Hold a story telling session and make it exciting. A very good book on a story from the life of the Prophet written in contemporary style is 'The Camel in the Sun', about the Prophet's compassion for a tired camel.
- 3) Quiz on the Prophet - Let the audience benefit from questions based on the life of the Prophet.
- 4) Poetry on the Prophet - Hold a session of Nasheeds, Qasidas, Spoken word, and poetry in praise of the Prophet. It is very effective in evoking emotion for the Prophet.
- 5) Film on the Prophet - watch a movie on the Prophet complete with drinks and popcorn.
- 6) 40 Hadith from the Prophet - hold a competition or learning session on 40 short hadith from the Prophet and learn/discuss them.
- 7) Art on the Prophet - Draw/Paint Islamic calligraphy on the Prophet. The internet has many good samples.
- 8) Fun day - Have games and other fun activities on the Prophet.
- 9) Talk/Discussion on the Prophet - Have a talk or discussion on the life of the Prophet with practical examples from his life relevant to today's times. Include verses of Quran on the greatness of the Prophet.
- 10) Book club session on the Prophet - gather a few people and read together. Articles on the Prophet, a good book on the Prophet, etc.
- 11) Send a gift to your neighbour, colleagues at work, fellow students . . . Include a hadith or anecdote from the Prophet. Use this occasion to spread an understanding of the Prophet that will counter the misconceptions that abound.