



# ISLAM

## Key Concepts: Giving

"The act of providing money or support for something, especially to a charity or other good cause:

Associated Concepts: Ummah/community



### Learning Focus (Gwella Section 50)

To develop opportunities for learners to reflect on and respond to beliefs, values and profound human experiences from a range of faith perspectives.

To develop an understanding and respect of difference and diversity within the school community, local, national and global faith communities



### Encounter

For Muslims there are two types of giving.

**Zakat** - one of the five pillars of Islam. This is the compulsory giving of a set proportion of money to charity on an annual basis.

**Sadaqah** - a voluntary charitable act towards another being, whether through generosity, love, compassion or faith. These acts are not necessarily physical or monetary. Simple good deeds such as a smile, or a helping hand, are seen as acts of Sadaqah. Sadaqah is an entirely voluntary charity which can be performed at any time of year, and any amount can be given. Some children may for example keep a note of the good deeds they have done during Ramadan.

More information can be found on the Islamic relief website and a video of how the charity help children can be found here <https://youtu.be/zBPRM90WB1Q>



### Reflect

What types of giving can we think of? Can we give some examples? Think about charities that we may support e.g. Christian Aid, Comic Relief, Food bank etc. What good deeds have we done for others? How does it feel to help others? Do we benefit from giving to others? Is there ever a time when you shouldn't give to others?



### Transform

Start a good deed diary for this month. Make a note of any giving you do. Write down how you felt when you gave your money, time or support to someone. Think about your reasons for doing it.

**What do I give and why?**