

I-Comprehension: *Read the following passage, then answer the questions:*

Almsgiving (Zakat)

The original sense of the word Zakat is purification of riches and souls. It is a religious duty incumbent upon any person who is Muslim, free, adult and sane for Zakat is not a duty for the insane. It is nevertheless, the duty of his guardian to produce it from the person's wealth. It is thus enforceable upon the wealth of the insane. The Zakat falls due when such a person possesses a fixed amount of wealth, as it is termed nisab 2.5 % and it has remained in his possession for a whole lunar year. Zakat is not incumbent upon a man, against whom there are debts equal or outweighing the amount of his whole riches, nor is it due upon the necessities of life, such as dwelling- houses, clothes, household furniture, weapons for defence, books for his study and tools for his profession or handicraft.

Zakat is levied on the rich for the benefit of the poor, and thus is a real brotherhood established between the rich and the poor. The payment of the poor rate is an injunction next importance only to prayer. Zakat is divided into two fundamental categories:

- A. The Zakat of wealth B. The Zakat of Al-Fitr

The Zakat on wealth is incumbent upon the nisab of camels, bulls, cows, and buffaloes, sheep and goats, horses, silver and gold, cash, bank-notes and articles of merchandise.

Zakat Al-Fitr is due upon any Muslim who is free and who possesses the amount of Zakat after covering expenses of food and all the necessities of his family for the day and night of the Feast for all those for whom he has to provide such as parents, wife, children and servants. Zakat helps to ensure welfare and prosperity among the people and secure social justice. It is the means of establishing love and friendship among the different classes of the community. It also alleviates the suffering of the poor who otherwise feel deprived. Moreover, it helps to diffuse cooperation, amity, brotherhood, and kindness amongst both the poor and the rich.

Questions

1. What is meant by Zakat in Islam?
2. Who are those people who are bound to pay Zakat?

3. When does Zakat fall due on a Muslim's wealth?
4. What are the two categories of Zakat?
5. Whom is Zakat of Al-Fitr due upon?
6. What are the benefits of Zakat?

2- Write the question you would ask if you wanted to know:

- a- The price of a fountain pen.
- b- The distance from Alexandria to Aswan.
- c- The time and the place of an examination.
- d- The capital of Spain.
- e- The most interesting place in Cairo.

3- Give synonyms:

accede dairy diary impotent adept incite

IV- Writing: Write a paragraph on ONLY ONE of the following:

1. Studying abroad
2. Our duties towards our parents
3. Pollution

V-A- Translate the following passage into Arabic:

The belief in the final day necessitates:

- a- Believing that this world and all that is in it has an end.
- b- Allah, the Exalted, will resurrect the creatures once again.
- c- The people will be held accountable for their deeds. He who does good, it will be good for him, and he who errs, will suffer the consequences. Everyone will be held responsible for his own deeds.
- d- Mankind's deeds are being recorded and will be reviewed by him on the Day of Reckoning.
- e- The Muslim will eventually admitted to Jannah, (the heavenly garden), and the unbeliever will be admitted to Hell.

B- Translate the following words into English:

خشوع الكرم حماس حكيمة اماكن مقدسه
شروع ايليس ومله فضيله عوايه