

# Thafseer — Complete Study Pack


The 23 short surahs · word-by-word (lafzi) — the meaning of every word + verse translation · Exam: Sunday 11:30-13:30


## 1 · Intro + Falaq · Ikhlas · Nas · Masad

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### التفسير What is Tafseer? Introduction

#### DEFINITIONS (LEARN BOTH)

 **Linguistically (في اللغة):** tafseer means **clarification and explanation** — uncovering the meaning (الإيضاح والبيان وكشف المعنى). From the verb فَسَّرَ = to make clear, to uncover what is hidden.

 **Technically (في الاصطلاح):** a **science that explains the meanings of the speech of Allah** and clarifies what is intended by it, **according to human capacity**, with the help of other sciences such as language, grammar and rhetoric.

#### TRANSLATING THE MEANINGS OF THE QURAN — WHY IT MATTERS

Translation of Quranic word meanings = carrying the meanings from Arabic into another language. Its importance:

1. Makes the Quran easy to understand for non-Arabic speakers.
2. Lets Muslims reflect (tadabbur) on the Quran even without strong Arabic.
3. Clarifies its rulings, purposes and values for students and researchers.
4. Spreads the message of Islam to the world in a correct form.

TEXT & TRANSLATION

قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ الْفَلَقِ {١}

1. Say: “I seek refuge in the Lord of the daybreak,

مِنْ شَرِّ مَا خَلَقَ {٢}

2. from the evil of whatever He has created,

وَمِنْ شَرِّ غَاسِقٍ إِذَا وَقَبَ {٣}

3. and from the evil of the night when it grows dark,

وَمِنْ شَرِّ النَّفَّاثَاتِ فِي الْعُقَدِ {٤}

4. and from the evil of those who blow onto knots,

وَمِنْ شَرِّ حَاسِدٍ إِذَا حَسَدَ {٥}

5. and from the evil of an envier when he envies.”

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

قُلْ

Say!

بِرَبِّ

in the Lord of

أَعُوذُ

I seek refuge

الْفَلَقِ

the daybreak / dawn

شَرِّ مَا خَلَقَ

evil of what He created

غَاسِقٍ

darkness (of night)

إِذَا وَقَبَ

when it settles / spreads

النَّفَّاثَاتِ

the blowers (on knots)

الْعُقَدِ

the knots

حَاسِدٍ

an envier

= 1/3 of the Quran

TEXT & TRANSLATION

قُلْ هُوَ اللَّهُ أَحَدٌ {١}

1. Say: He is Allah, the One,

اللَّهُ الصَّمَدُ {٢}

2. Allah, the Eternal Refuge.

لَمْ يَلِدْ وَلَمْ يُولَدْ {٣}

3. He neither begets nor is born,

وَلَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ {٤}

4. nor is there to Him any equivalent.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

قُلْ

Say!

هُوَ اللَّهُ

He is Allah

أَحَدٌ

One — absolutely unique

الصَّمَدُ

the Eternal Refuge — all  
depend on Him, He needs  
none

لَمْ يَلِدْ

He did not beget

لَمْ يُولَدْ

nor was He born

كُفُوًا

equal / comparable

TEXT & TRANSLATION

قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ النَّاسِ ﴿١﴾

1. Say: “I seek refuge in the Lord of mankind,

مَلِكِ النَّاسِ ﴿٢﴾

2. the Sovereign of mankind,

إِلٰهِ النَّاسِ ﴿٣﴾

3. the God of mankind,

مِن شَرِّ الْوَسْوَاسِ الْخَنَّاسِ ﴿٤﴾

4. from the evil of the retreating whisperer,

الَّذِي يُوسْوِسُ فِي صُدُورِ النَّاسِ ﴿٥﴾

5. who whispers into the hearts of mankind,

مِنَ الْجِنَّةِ وَالنَّاسِ ﴿٦﴾

6. from among the jinn and mankind.”

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

قُلْ

Say!

أَعُوذُ

I seek refuge

شَرِّ

evil of

النَّاسِ

mankind / people

مَلِكٍ

King / Sovereign

إِلَهِ

God / object of worship

الْوَسْوَاسِ

the whisperer

الْخَنَّاسِ

the one who withdraws /  
retreats

يُوسُوسُ

he whispers

صُدُورِ

chests / hearts

الْجِنَّةِ

the jinn

TEXT & TRANSLATION

تَبَّتْ يَدَا أَبِي لَهَبٍ وَتَبَّ {١}

1. Perish the two hands of Abu Lahab — and perish he!

مَا أَغْنَىٰ عَنْهُ مَالُهُ وَمَا كَسَبَ {٢}

2. Neither his wealth benefited him, nor what he earned.

سَيَصْلَىٰ نَارًا ذَاتَ لَهَبٍ {٣}

3. He will soon enter a Fire full of flames,

وَأَمْرَأَتُهُ حَمَّالَةَ الْحَطَبِ {٤}

4. and his wife as well — the carrier of firewood;

فِي جِيدِهَا حَبْلٌ مِّن مَّسَدٍ {٥}

5. around her neck is a rope of twisted palm fibre.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

أَبِي لَهَبٍ

Abu Lahab

تَبَّتْ

may they perish / be ruined

يَدَا

the two hands (of)

لَهَبٍ

flame / blazing fire

مَا أَغْنَىٰ

did not avail / benefit

مَالُهُ

his wealth

نَارًا

a fire

أَمْرَأَتُهُ

his wife

مَا كَسَبَ

what he earned

سَيَصْلَىٰ

he will soon enter (the Fire)

حَمَّالَةَ الْحَطَبِ

carrier of firewood

جِيدِهَا

her neck

حَبْلٌ مِّن مَّسَدٍ

a rope of palm fibre

One row per surah — this is your crib-sheet view. Then the memory hooks.

Surah	Name means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme keyword	Revelation hook
الفلق Al-Falaq #113	Daybreak	الْفَلَقِ the daybreak	Refuge from <b>external</b> evils	Mu'awwidhatayn pair (with An-Nas)
الإخلاص Al-Ikhlās #112	Purity / sincerity	الصَّمَدُ the Eternal Refuge	<b>Tawheed</b> — Allah's Oneness	Answer to “describe your Lord's lineage” · = 1/3 Quran
الناس An-Nas #114	Mankind	الْخَنَّاسِ the retreating whisperer	Refuge from <b>internal</b> whisperer	Mu'awwidhatayn pair (with Al-Falaq)
المسد Al-Masad #111	Palm fibre (rope)	تَبَّتْ perish!	<b>Abu Lahab's</b> ruin — wealth can't save	Abu Lahab's insult at the Safa warning: “يَبَّأْ لَكَ”

## Memory hooks

1 **Falaq vs Nas:** Falaq = **outside** evils (creation, darkness, sorcery, envy) · Nas = **inside** evil (the whisperer). Outer enemy → 1 divine attribute (Rabb); inner enemy → 3 attributes (Rabb, Malik, Ilah) — the hidden enemy needs stronger protection.

2 **All four are Makki.** In fact every surah in this syllabus is Makki except **Al-Bayyinah, Az-Zalzalah** (lesson 3) **and An-Nasr** (lesson 6) — remember those three and answer everything else “Makki”.

3 **The protection routine:** Ikhlās + Falaq + Nas recited **after every fard salah** and **before sleep** (blow into palms, wipe body 3×, head and face first).

4 **Ikhlās = 1/3 of the Quran** in reward; it answers “describe your Lord” in 4 verses: One · Eternal Refuge · no parent or child · no equal.

5 **Masad irony:** Abu Lahab means “father of **flame**” — and his punishment is نَارًا ذَاتَ لَهَبٍ, a fire of flame. His curse (“may you perish”) was turned back on him: تَبَّتْ.

6 **Whisperer's weakness:** الْخَنَّاسِ = the one who **retreats** — he withdraws the moment Allah is remembered.

7 **Tafseer definition skeleton:** language = *clarify/uncover* (فَسَّرَ) · technical = *science*  
+ *meanings of Allah's speech* + *human capacity* + *helper sciences*.

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= the essence of the Quran

TEXT & TRANSLATION

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ {١}

1. In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ {٢}

2. All praise is for Allah, Lord of all the worlds,

الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ {٣}

3. the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful,

مَالِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ {٤}

4. Master of the Day of Recompense.

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ {٥}

5. You alone we worship, and You alone we ask for help.

اهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ {٦}

6. Guide us to the straight path —

صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ غَيْرِ الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ {٧}

7. the path of those You have blessed, not of those who earned anger, nor of those who went astray.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

بِسْمِ

in the name of

اللَّهِ

of Allah

الرَّحْمَنِ

the Most Gracious

الرَّحِيمِ

the Most Merciful

الْحَمْدُ

all praise

رَبِّ

Lord / Sustainer

الْعَالَمِينَ

مَالِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ

all the worlds (mankind, jinn  
& all that exists)

Master of the Day of  
Recompense

You alone we worship

نَسْتَعِينُ

we seek help

اهْدِنَا

guide us

الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ

the straight path

أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ

those You have favoured

الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ

those who earned anger

الضَّالِّينَ

those who went astray

TEXT & TRANSLATION

وَالضُّحَىٰ {١}

1. By the morning brightness,

وَاللَّيْلِ إِذَا سَجَىٰ {٢}

2. and by the night when it grows still,

مَا وَدَّعَكَ رَبُّكَ وَمَا قَلَىٰ {٣}

3. your Lord has neither forsaken you nor hated you,

وَلِلْآخِرَةِ خَيْرٌ لَّكَ مِنَ الْأُولَىٰ {٤}

4. and the Hereafter is better for you than this first (life).

وَلَسَوْفَ يُعْطِيكَ رَبُّكَ فَتَرْضَىٰ {٥}

5. And your Lord will surely give you, and you will be well-pleased.

أَلَمْ يَجِدْكَ يَتِيمًا فَآوَىٰ {٦}

6. Did He not find you an orphan and shelter you?

وَوَجَدَكَ ضَالًّا فَهَدَىٰ {٧}

7. And find you unaware (of the way) and guide you?

وَوَجَدَكَ عَائِلًا فَأَغْنَىٰ {٨}

8. And find you poor and enrich you?

فَأَمَّا الْيَتِيمَ فَلَا تَقْهَرْ {٩}

9. So as for the orphan, do not oppress him,

وَأَمَّا السَّائِلَ فَلَا تَنْهَرْ {١٠}

10. and as for the one who asks, do not repel him,

## وَأَمَّا بِنِعْمَةِ رَبِّكَ فَحَدِّثْ ﴿١١﴾

11. and as for the favour of your Lord, proclaim it.

### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

الضُّحَى

the morning brightness /  
forenoon

إِذَا سَجَى

when it grows still / covers  
with darkness

مَا وَدَّعَكَ

He has not forsaken you

وَمَا قَلَى

nor is He displeased / nor  
hated

الْآخِرَةُ خَيْرٌ

the Hereafter is better

يُعْطِيكَ رَبُّكَ

your Lord will give you

فَتَرْضَى

and you will be well-pleased

يَتِيماً فَأَوَى

an orphan, so He sheltered

ضَالًّا فَهَدَى

unaware (of the way), so He  
guided

عَائِلًا فَأَغْنَى

poor, so He enriched

الْيَتِيمَ

the orphan

فَلَا تَقْهَرْ

do not oppress

السَّائِلَ

the one who asks / beggar

فَلَا تَنْهَرْ

do not repel / scold

بِنِعْمَةِ رَبِّكَ

the favour of your Lord

فَحَدِّثْ

proclaim it

## سُورَةُ الشَّرْحِ Ash-Sharh — “The Expansion / Relief” (al-Inshirah)

Makki · 8 verses · #94

### TEXT & TRANSLATION

أَلَمْ نَشْرَحْ لَكَ صَدْرَكَ ﴿١﴾

1. Have We not expanded for you your breast?

وَوَضَعْنَا عَنْكَ وِزْرَكَ ﴿٢﴾

2. And removed from you your burden,

الَّذِي أَنْقَضَ ظَهْرَكَ ﴿٣﴾

3. which had weighed down your back?

وَرَفَعْنَا لَكَ ذِكْرَكَ ﴿٤﴾

4. And raised high for you your renown.

فَإِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا ﴿٥﴾

5. So, indeed, with hardship comes ease.

إِنَّ مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا ﴿٦﴾

6. Indeed, with hardship comes ease.

فَإِذَا فَرَغْتَ فَانصَبْ ﴿٧﴾

7. So when you are free (from one task), exert yourself (in worship),

وَإِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ فَارْغَبْ ﴿٨﴾

8. and turn your longing to your Lord.

### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

أَلَمْ نَشْرَحْ

have We not expanded /  
opened

صَدْرَكَ

your breast / chest

وَوَضَعْنَا عَنْكَ

and We removed from you

وَزْرَكَ

your burden

أَنْقَضَ ظَهْرَكَ

weighed down your back

رَفَعْنَا لَكَ ذِكْرَكَ

raised your renown high

الْعُسْرِ

hardship

يُسْرًا

ease

فَإِذَا فَرَغْتَ فَانصَبْ

when free, exert yourself

فَارْغَبْ

turn (your longing) to Him

## TEXT &amp; TRANSLATION

وَالتِّينِ وَالزَّيْتُونِ ﴿١﴾

1. By the fig and the olive,

وَطُورِ سَيْنِينَ ﴿٢﴾

2. and Mount Sinai,

وَهَذَا الْبَلَدِ الْأَمِينِ ﴿٣﴾

3. and this secure city (Makkah),

لَقَدْ خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ ﴿٤﴾

4. We have surely created man in the best of moulds,

ثُمَّ رَدَدْنَاهُ أَسْفَلَ سَافِلِينَ ﴿٥﴾

5. then We reduced him to the lowest of the low —

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ فَلَهُمْ أَجْرٌ غَيْرُ مَمْنُونٍ ﴿٦﴾

6. except those who believe and do good — for them is a reward never ending.

فَمَا يُكَذِّبُكَ بَعْدُ بِالدِّينِ ﴿٧﴾

7. So what makes you deny the Recompense after (this)?

أَلَيْسَ اللَّهُ بِأَحْكَمِ الْحَاكِمِينَ ﴿٨﴾

8. Is not Allah the most just of all judges?

## KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

التِّينِ

the fig

الزَّيْتُونِ

the olive

طُورِ سَيْنِينَ

Mount Sinai

الْبَلَدِ الْأَمِينِ

the secure city (Makkah)

خَلَقْنَا الْإِنْسَانَ

We created man

أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ

the best of moulds / stature

رَدَدْنَاهُ

We reduced / returned him

أَسْفَلَ سَافِلِينَ

the lowest of the low

آمَنُوا

those who believed

عَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ

did righteous deeds

أَجْرٌ غَيْرُ مَمْنُونٍ

a reward never ending

يُكَذِّبُكَ

makes you deny / belies you

الدِّينِ

the Recompense / Judgement

أَحْكَمِ الْحَاكِمِينَ

the most just of judges

One row per surah — your crib-sheet view. Then the memory hooks.

Surah	Name means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme keyword	Revelation hook
الفاتحة Al-Fatiha #1	The Opening	الْحَمْدُ all praise	<b>Essence</b> of the Quran — praise + guidance	1st complete surah · recited every rak'ah · = Umm al-Kitab
الضحى Ad-Duha #93	Morning brightness	مَا وَدَّعَكَ He has not forsaken you	<b>Consolation</b> — “He has not forsaken you”	Revelation paused; idolaters mocked → reassurance
الشرح Ash-Sharh #94	Expansion / relief	الْعُسْرِ · يُسْرًا hardship · ease	<b>With hardship comes ease</b>	Consolation pair with Ad-Duha
التين At-Teen #95	The Fig	أَحْسَنِ تَفْوِيمٍ the best form	Man in <b>best form</b> · dignity · justice	Oath by fig, olive, Sinai, secure Makkah

## Memory hooks

**1 All four are Makki.** In the whole syllabus only **Al-Bayyinah & Az-Zalzalah** (lesson 3) and **An-Nasr** (lesson 6) are Madani — answer everything else “Makki”.

**2 Fatiha split in half:** hadith qudsi — “I divided the prayer between Me and My servant.” Verses 1-4 = Allah's praise; verses 5-7 = the servant's request (worship + guidance).

**3 Duha & Sharh = the consolation pair.** Duha: “He has not forsaken you” after revelation paused. Sharh: “with hardship comes ease.”

4 **One hardship, two eases:** مَعَ الْعُسْرِ يُسْرًا is repeated — the single hardship (al-'usr) is outnumbered by the two eases (yusran).

5 **Duha's three favours → three commands:** orphan→shelter (don't oppress), astray→guide, poor→enrich (don't repel the beggar); and **proclaim** Allah's blessing.

6 **Teen's four oaths:** fig + olive + Mount Sinai + secure Makkah → man made فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ (best mould), then أَسْفَلَ سَافِلِينَ (lowest) unless he has faith + good deeds.

7 **Fatiha's other names:** Umm al-Kitab, as-Sab' al-Mathani (the 7 oft-repeated), al-Qur'an al-'Azeem, ash-Shifa, al-Hamd, as-Salah.

### 3 · Al-Alaq · Al-Qadr · Al-Bayyinah · Az-Zalzalah

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= the first revelation

TEXT & TRANSLATION

اقْرَأْ بِاسْمِ رَبِّكَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ ﴿١﴾

1. Read in the name of your Lord who created —

خَلَقَ الْإِنْسَانَ مِنْ عَلَقٍ ﴿٢﴾

2. created man from a clinging clot.

اقْرَأْ وَرَبُّكَ الْأَكْرَمُ ﴿٣﴾

3. Read, and your Lord is the Most Generous,

الَّذِي عَلَّمَ بِالْقَلَمِ ﴿٤﴾

4. who taught by the pen,

عَلَّمَ الْإِنْسَانَ مَا لَمْ يَعْلَمْ ﴿٥﴾

5. taught man what he did not know.

كَلَّا إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لَيْطَغَى ﴿٦﴾ أَنْ رَأَاهُ اسْتَغْنَى ﴿٧﴾

6-7. No! Man truly transgresses, because he sees himself self-sufficient.

إِنِّي إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ الرُّجْعَىٰ ﴿٨﴾

8. Indeed, to your Lord is the return.

أَرَأَيْتَ الَّذِي يَنْهَىٰ ﴿٩﴾ عَبْدًا إِذَا صَلَّىٰ ﴿١٠﴾

9-10. Have you seen the one who forbids a servant when he prays?

أَرَأَيْتَ إِنْ كَانَ عَلَىٰ الْهُدَىٰ ﴿١١﴾ أَوْ أَمَرَ بِالتَّقْوَىٰ ﴿١٢﴾

11-12. Have you seen — if he were on guidance, or enjoined piety?

أَرَأَيْتَ إِنْ كَذَّبَ وَتَوَلَّىٰ ﴿١٣﴾ أَلَمْ يَعْلَم بِأَنَّ اللَّهَ يَرَىٰ ﴿١٤﴾

13-14. Have you seen — if he denied and turned away? Does he not know that Allah sees?

كَلَّا لَئِن لَّمْ يَنْتَه لَنْسَفَعَا بِالنَّاصِيَةِ ﴿١٥﴾ نَاصِيَةٍ كَاذِبَةٍ خَاطِئَةٍ ﴿١٦﴾

15-16. No! If he does not desist, We will seize him by the forelock — a lying, sinful forelock.

فَلْيَدْعُ نَادِيَهُ ﴿١٧﴾ سَنَدْعُ الزَّبَانِيَةَ ﴿١٨﴾

17-18. So let him call his council — We will call the angels of Hell.

كَلَّا لَا تُطِعْهُ وَاسْجُدْ وَاقْتَرِبْ ﴿١٩﴾

19. No! Do not obey him; prostrate and draw near (to Allah).

### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

اقْرَأْ

read! / recite!

عَلَقٍ

a clinging clot

الْأَكْرَمُ

the Most Generous

عَلَّمَ بِالْقَلَمِ

taught by the pen

لَيَطْفَى

he transgresses / oversteps

اسْتَعْنَى

sees himself self-sufficient

الرُّجْعَى

the return (to Allah)

النَّاصِيَةِ

the forelock (front of the head)

الزَّبَانِيَةَ

the angels of Hell

وَاسْجُدْ وَاقْتَرِبْ

prostrate and draw near

بِاسْمِ رَبِّكَ

in the name of your Lord

خَلَقَ

He created

الْإِنْسَانَ

man / the human

كَلَّا

No! / Nay (a rebuke)

يَنْهَى

he forbids

عَبْدًا إِذَا صَلَّى

a servant when he prays

الْهُدَى

guidance

أَمَرَ بِالتَّقْوَى

enjoined piety

كَذَّبَ وَتَوَلَّى

denied and turned away

يَرَى

He (Allah) sees

نَادِيَهُ

his council / assembly

لَا تُطِعْهُ

do not obey him

TEXT & TRANSLATION

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةِ الْقَدْرِ {١}

1. Indeed, We sent it down on the Night of Decree.

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ {٢}

2. And what will make you realise what the Night of Decree is?

لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ {٣}

3. The Night of Decree is better than a thousand months.

تَنْزَلُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَالرُّوحُ فِيهَا بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ مِنْ كُلِّ أَمْرٍ {٤}

4. The angels and the Spirit (Jibreel) descend in it by their Lord's permission with every decree.

سَلَامٌ هِيَ حَتَّىٰ مَطَلَعِ الْفَجْرِ {٥}

5. Peace it is, until the break of dawn.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

أَنْزَلْنَاهُ

We sent it (the Quran) down

لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ

the Night of Decree / Power

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ

what will make you realise

خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ

better than a thousand months

تَنْزَلُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ

the angels descend

وَالرُّوحُ

and the Spirit (Jibreel)

بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ

by their Lord's permission

مِنْ كُلِّ أَمْرٍ

with every decree / matter

سَلَامٌ

peace

مَطَلَعِ الْفَجْرِ

the break of dawn

TEXT & TRANSLATION

لَمْ يَكُنِ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ مُنْفَكِينَ حَتَّىٰ تَأْتِيَهُمُ الْبَيِّنَةُ ﴿١﴾.

1. The disbelievers among the People of the Book and the polytheists were not to desist until the clear proof came to them —

رَسُولٌ مِنَ اللَّهِ يَتْلُو صُحُفًا مُطَهَّرَةً ﴿٢﴾.

2. a messenger from Allah reciting purified scriptures,

فِيهَا كُتِبَ قِيمَةٌ ﴿٣﴾.

3. within which are upright writings.

وَمَا تَفَرَّقَ الَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْكِتَابَ إِلَّا مِنْ بَعْدِ مَا جَاءَتْهُمْ الْبَيِّنَةُ ﴿٤﴾.

4. Those given the Scripture did not split until after the clear proof had come to them.

وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ حُنَفَاءَ وَيُقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُوا الزَّكَاةَ  
وَذَلِكَ دِينُ الْقِيَمَةِ ﴿٥﴾.

5. They were ordered only to worship Allah, sincere in faith, upright, and to establish prayer and give zakat — that is the upright religion.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْ أَهْلِ الْكِتَابِ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ فِي نَارِ جَهَنَّمَ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أُولَٰئِكَ  
هُمْ شَرُّ الْبَرِيَّةِ ﴿٦﴾.

6. The disbelievers among the People of the Book and the polytheists will be in the Fire of Hell, abiding forever — they are the worst of creatures.

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ أُولَٰئِكَ هُمْ خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ ﴿٧﴾.

7. Indeed, those who believe and do good — they are the best of creatures.

جَزَاؤُهُمْ عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ جَنَّاتٌ عَدْنٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهَا الْأَنْهَارُ خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا أَبَدًا رَضِيَ  
اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ وَرَضُوا عَنْهُ ذَٰلِكَ لِمَنْ خَشِيَ رَبَّهُ ﴿٨﴾.

8. Their reward with their Lord is Gardens of Eternity beneath which rivers flow, abiding forever. Allah is pleased with them and they with Him — that is for whoever fears his Lord.

#### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

الْبَيِّنَةُ

the clear proof / evidence

أَهْلُ الْكِتَابِ

the People of the Book

الْمُشْرِكِينَ

the polytheists

مُنْفَكِينَ

desisting / breaking away

صُحُفًا مُطَهَّرَةً

purified scriptures

مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ

sincere to Him in religion

حُنَفَاءَ

upright (in pure monotheism)

شَرُّ الْبَرِيَّةِ

the worst of creatures

خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ

the best of creatures

جَنَّاتٍ عَدْنٍ

Gardens of Eternity

يَتْلُو

he recites

كُتُبٍ قَيِّمَةً

upright / valuable writings

تَفَرَّقَ

they split / divided

يُقِيمُوا الصَّلَاةَ

establish the prayer

يُؤْتُوا الزَّكَاةَ

give the zakat

دِينِ الْقَيِّمَةِ

the upright religion

خَالِدِينَ فِيهَا

abiding therein forever

رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمْ

Allah is pleased with them

خَشِيَ رَبَّهُ

fears his Lord

TEXT & TRANSLATION

إِذَا زُلْزِلَتِ الْأَرْضُ زِلْزَالَهَا {١}

1. When the earth is shaken with its (final) earthquake,

وَأَخْرَجَتِ الْأَرْضُ أَثْقَالَهَا {٢}

2. and the earth throws out its burdens,

وَقَالَ الْإِنْسَانُ مَا لَهَا {٣}

3. and man cries, “What is wrong with it?”

يَوْمَئِذٍ تُحَدِّثُ أَخْبَارَهَا {٤}

4. That Day it will report its news,

بِأَنَّ رَبَّكَ أَوْحَىٰ لَهَا {٥}

5. because your Lord has inspired it.

يَوْمَئِذٍ يَصْدُرُ النَّاسُ أَشْتَاتًا لِيُرَوْا أَعْمَالَهُمْ {٦}

6. That Day people will come forth in scattered groups to be shown their deeds.

فَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ {٧}

7. So whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it,

وَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ شَرًّا يَرَهُ {٨}

8. and whoever does an atom's weight of evil will see it.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

زُلْزِلَتِ الْأَرْضُ

the earth is shaken

زِلْزَالَهَا

its (mighty) earthquake

أَثْقَالَهَا

its burdens (dead, treasures)

مَا لَهَا

what is wrong with it?

يَوْمَئِذٍ

that Day

يَصْدُرُ النَّاسُ

people come forth

لِيُرَوْا أَعْمَالَهُمْ

to be shown their deeds

تُحَدِّثُ أَخْبَارَهَا

it reports its news (testifies)

أَوْحَىٰ لَهَا

He inspired it

أَشْتَاتًا

in scattered groups

مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ

an atom's weight

خَيْرًا يَرَهُ

good — he will see it

شَرًّا يَرَهُ

evil — he will see it

One row per surah — your crib-sheet view. Then the memory hooks.

Surah	Name means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme keyword	Revelation hook
العلق Al-Alaq #96 · <b>Makki</b>	The clinging clot	اقْرَأْ Read!	“ <b>Read!</b> ” — knowledge & the pen	vv1-5 = the <b>FIRST</b> revelation (Cave of Hira); later vv = Abu Jahl
القدر Al-Qadr #97 · <b>Makki</b>	Night of Decree / Power	لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ the Night of Decree	<b>Laylat al-Qadr</b> > 1000 months	The night the Quran began to descend (Ramadan)
البينة Al-Bayyinah #98 · <b>Madani</b>	The clear proof	الْبَيِّنَةُ the clear proof	Sincere worship = <b>the upright religion</b>	People of the Book + polytheists; best vs worst of creation
الزلزلة Az-Zalzalah #99 · <b>Madani</b>	The earthquake	مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ an atom's weight	<b>Atom's weight</b> of good/evil seen	Earth quakes & testifies on the Day of Resurrection

## Memory hooks

**Two of the three Madani surahs live here:** البينة (#98) and الزلزلة (#99) —

- consecutive numbers, easy to pair. The third is النصر (#110, lesson 6); everything else is Makki.

**Al-Alaq = the beginning of the Quran.** First word ever revealed: اقْرَأْ (“Read!”).

- Then “taught by the pen” — Islam's love of knowledge from day one.

3 **Arrogance trigger:** **أَنْ رَأَاهُ اسْتَعْنَى** — man transgresses when he thinks he is self-sufficient. Cure (v19): **وَاسْجُدْ وَاقْتَرِبْ** — prostrate and draw near.

4 **One night > 1000 months.** Laylat al-Qadr's reward (~83 years) — angels + the Ruh descend, “peace until dawn.” Seek it in the last 10 nights of Ramadan.

5 **Bayyinah's “upright religion” = 3 things:** sincere worship of Allah (**مُخْلِصِينَ**) + prayer + zakat. Believers = **خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ** (best of creation), disbelievers = **شَرُّ الْبَرِيَّةِ**.

6 **Zalzalah's signature verses:** **مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ ... شَرًّا يَرَهُ** — an atom of good or evil, both seen. The earth will **testify**.

## 4 · Al-Adiyat · Al-Qari'ah · At-Takathur · Al-Asr

**Thafseer Lafzi = the meaning of every word.** For each surah: read the Arabic, learn the **word-by-word meanings** (the chips), then rebuild the translation in the **Word-by-word** tab. Theme / occasion / reflection are collapsed under each surah as background — context, not the focus of the lafzi paper. **Flash mode** hides the meanings so you can self-test.

TEXT & TRANSLATION

وَالْعَادِيَّاتِ ضَبْحًا ﴿١﴾

1. By the racers, panting,

فَالْمُورِيَّاتِ قَدْحًا ﴿٢﴾

2. striking sparks (with their hooves),

فَالْمُغِيرَاتِ صُبْحًا ﴿٣﴾

3. raiding at dawn,

فَأَثَرُنَّ بِهِ نَقْعًا ﴿٤﴾

4. stirring up clouds of dust,

فَوَسَطْنَ بِهِ جَمْعًا ﴿٥﴾

5. plunging into the midst of the enemy.

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِرَبِّهِ لَكَنُودٌ ﴿٦﴾

6. Indeed, man is ungrateful to his Lord,

وَإِنَّهُ عَلَىٰ ذَلِكٍ لَّشَهِيدٌ ﴿٧﴾

7. and he is himself a witness to that,

وَإِنَّهُ لِحُبِّ الْخَيْرِ لَشَدِيدٌ ﴿٨﴾

8. and he is intense in his love of wealth.

أَفَلَا يَعْلَمُ إِذَا بُعْثِرَ مَا فِي الْقُبُورِ ﴿٩﴾

9. Does he not know that when the contents of the graves are scattered,

وَحُصِّلَ مَا فِي الصُّدُورِ ﴿١٠﴾

10. and what is in the breasts is brought out —

## إِنَّ رَبَّهُمْ بِهِمْ يَوْمَئِذٍ لَّخَبِيرٌ {١١}

11. that their Lord, that Day, is fully aware of them?

### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

الْعَادِيَاتِ

the racers / charging horses

ضَبْحًا

panting (in their run)

الْمُورِيَاتِ قَدْحًا

striking sparks (with hooves)

الْمُغِيرَاتِ صُبْحًا

raiding at dawn

نَفْعًا

dust (cloud)

فَوَسَطْنَ بِهِ جَمْعًا

plunging into the enemy ranks

لَكَنُودٌ

ungrateful

لَشَّهِيدٌ

surely a witness

لِحُبِّ الْخَيْرِ لَشَدِيدٌ

intense in love of wealth

بُعْثِرَ مَا فِي الْقُبُورِ

graves' contents scattered

مَا فِي الصُّدُورِ

what is in the breasts

لَّخَبِيرٌ

fully aware

TEXT & TRANSLATION

الْقَارِعَةُ {١}. مَا الْقَارِعَةُ {٢}.

1-2. The Striking Calamity! What is the Striking Calamity?

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا الْقَارِعَةُ {٣}.

3. And what will make you realise what it is?

يَوْمَ يَكُونُ النَّاسُ كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْثُوثِ {٤}.

4. The Day people will be like scattered moths,

وَتَكُونُ الْجِبَالُ كَالْعِهْنِ الْمَنْفُوشِ {٥}.

5. and the mountains like fluffed-up wool.

فَأَمَّا مَنْ ثَقَلَتْ مَوَازِينُهُ {٦}. فَهُوَ فِي عِيشَةٍ رَاضِيَةٍ {٧}.

6-7. As for the one whose scales are heavy, he will be in a pleasant life.

وَأَمَّا مَنْ خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ {٨}. فَأُمُّهُ هَاوِيَةٌ {٩}.

8-9. But as for the one whose scales are light, his refuge will be the Abyss.

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا هِيَ {١٠}. نَارٌ حَامِيَةٌ {١١}.

10-11. And what will make you realise what it is? A blazing Fire.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

الْقَارِعَةُ

the striking calamity  
(Resurrection)

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ

and what will make you know

كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْثُوثِ

like scattered moths

كَالْعِهْنِ الْمَنْفُوشِ

like fluffed wool

ثَقُلَتْ مَوَازِينُهُ

his scales are heavy

عَيْشَةٍ رَاضِيَةٍ

a pleasant life

خَفَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ

his scales are light

هَاوِيَةً

the Abyss (a name of Hell)

نَارٍ حَامِيَةٍ

a blazing fire

TEXT & TRANSLATION

أَلْهَاكُمْ التَّكَاثُرُ {١}.

1. The mutual rivalry for piling up (worldly things) distracts you,

حَتَّىٰ زُرْتُمُ الْمَقَابِرَ {٢}.

2. until you visit the graves.

كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ {٣}. ثُمَّ كَلَّا سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ {٤}.

3-4. No! You will come to know. Again, no! You will come to know.

كَلَّا لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ عِلْمَ الْيَقِينِ {٥}.

5. No! If only you knew with certainty of knowledge —

لَتَرَوُنَّ الْجَحِيمَ {٦}. ثُمَّ لَتَرَوُنَّهَا عَيْنَ الْيَقِينِ {٧}.

6-7. You will surely see the Hellfire; then you will see it with the eye of certainty.

ثُمَّ لَتُسْأَلُنَّ يَوْمَئِذٍ عَنِ النَّعِيمِ {٨}.

8. Then, that Day, you will surely be asked about the pleasures (you enjoyed).

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

أَلْهَأَكُمُ

it distracted / diverted you

التَّكَاثُرُ

rivalry for piling up  
(wealth/numbers)

زُرْتُمُ الْمَقَابِرَ

you visit the graves (i.e. die)

كَأَلَّا

Nay! / no indeed

سَوْفَ تَعْلَمُونَ

you will come to know

عِلْمَ الْيَقِينِ

certainty of knowledge

لَتَرَوُنَّ

you will surely see

الْجَحِيمَ

the Hellfire

عَيْنَ الْيَقِينِ

the eye / sight of certainty

لَتُسْأَلُنَّ

you will surely be asked

النَّعِيمِ

the pleasures / blessings

a complete code of success

TEXT & TRANSLATION

وَالْعَصْرِ {١}

1. By time,

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِفِي خُسْرٍ {٢}

2. indeed mankind is in loss,

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ {٣}

3. except those who believe, do good, and counsel one another to truth and counsel one another to patience.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

الْعَصْرِ

time / the declining age

الْإِنْسَانَ

mankind

لِفِي خُسْرٍ

surely in loss

إِلَّا الَّذِينَ

except those who

آمَنُوا

those who believe

عَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ

do righteous deeds

تَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ

enjoin one another to truth

تَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ

enjoin one another to  
patience

One row per surah — your crib-sheet view. Then the memory hooks.

Surah	Name means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme keyword	Revelation hook
العاديات Al-Adiyat #100	The chargers / racers	الْعَادِيَاتِ the chargers	Man is <b>ungrateful</b> & loves wealth	Oath by warhorses charging into battle at dawn

القارعة Al-Qari'ah #101	The striking calamity	القَارِعَةُ the striking calamity	The <b>balance (mizan)</b> of deeds	People like moths, mountains like fluffed wool
التكاثر At-Takathur #102	Rivalry in increase	التَّكَاثُرُ rivalry in increase	<b>Materialism</b> distracts till death	Boasting of wealth/numbers, counting the dead at graves
العصر Al-Asr #103	Time	خُسْرٍ loss	Mankind in <b>loss</b> except four	Oath by time; ash-Shafi'i: this surah alone would suffice

## Memory hooks

1 **All four are Makki and run #100→#103 in order** — Adiyat, Qari'ah, Takathur, Asr. Learn them as a consecutive block.

2 **Adiyat's horse-oath → man's flaw:** the loyal warhorse strains for its rider, yet man is كَنُود (ungrateful) and لِحَبِّ الْخَيْرِ لَشَدِيدٌ (greedy for wealth).

3 **Qari'ah = the scales.** Heavy scale (تَقَلَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ) → pleasant life; light scale (خَفَّتْ) → هَاوِيَةٌ, the Abyss. Images: people = scattered moths, mountains = fluffed wool.

4 **Takathur's three certainties:** 'ilm al-yaqin (knowledge), 'ayn al-yaqin (sight) — you will SEE the Hellfire — then questioned about النَّعِيمِ (every blessing). Hook: counting at the graves.

5 **Al-Asr = the 4-point success formula:** (1) iman, (2) good deeds, (3) enjoin truth, (4) enjoin patience. Everyone else is فِي خُسْرٍ (in loss).

6 **Resurrection name-bank:** القَارِعَةُ (the striking calamity) and نَارٌ / هَاوِيَةٌ / الْجَحِيمِ are all Hell/Judgement vocabulary in this lesson.

Three more surahs, then the **Crib + hooks** tab. The quiz mixes these three with a recall drill — then **lesson 6** adds the final four surahs and **lesson 7** is the complete 23-surah review. **Flash mode** hides the word meanings so you can self-test.

## سُورَةُ الْفِيلِ Al-Feel — “The Elephant”

Makki · 5 verses · #105

### TEXT & TRANSLATION

أَلَمْ تَرَ كَيْفَ فَعَلَ رَبُّكَ بِأَصْحَابِ الْفِيلِ {١}

1. Have you not seen how your Lord dealt with the people of the elephant?

أَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ كَيْدَهُمْ فِي تَضْلِيلٍ {٢}

2. Did He not make their plot go astray?

وَأَرْسَلَ عَلَيْهِمْ طَيْرًا أَبَابِيلَ {٣}

3. And He sent against them birds in flocks,

تَرْمِيهِمْ بِحِجَارَةٍ مِنْ سِجِّيلٍ {٤}

4. pelting them with stones of baked clay,

فَجَعَلَهُمْ كَعَصْفٍ مَأْكُولٍ {٥}

5. and made them like chewed-up straw.

### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

أَصْحَابِ الْفِيلِ

the people of the elephant  
(Abraha's army)

كَيْدَهُمْ

their plot / scheme

فِي تَضْلِيلٍ

into misguidance / to waste

طَيْرًا أَبَابِيلَ

birds in flocks (flock after  
flock)

بِحِجَارَةٍ مِنْ سِجِّيلٍ

stones of hard, baked clay

كَعَصْفٍ مَأْكُولٍ

like eaten / chewed-up straw

TEXT & TRANSLATION

لِإِيْلَافٍ قُرَيْشٍ {١}.

1. For the security / familiarity of the Quraysh —

إِيْلَافِهِمْ رِحْلَةَ الشِّتَاءِ وَالصَّيْفِ {٢}.

2. their security in the journey of winter and summer —

فَلْيَعْبُدُوا رَبَّ هَذَا الْبَيْتِ {٣}.

3. so let them worship the Lord of this House (the Ka'bah),

الَّذِي أَطْعَمَهُمْ مِنْ جُوعٍ وَآمَنَهُمْ مِنْ خَوْفٍ {٤}.

4. who fed them against hunger and made them safe from fear.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

لِإِيْلَافٍ

for the accustomed security / familiarity

قُرَيْشٍ

the Quraysh (tribe)

رِحْلَةَ

the journey / caravan

الشِّتَاءِ وَالصَّيْفِ

winter and summer

رَبِّ هَذَا الْبَيْتِ

the Lord of this House (Ka'bah)

أَطْعَمَهُمْ مِنْ جُوعٍ

fed them against hunger

آمَنَهُمْ مِنْ خَوْفٍ

secured them from fear

TEXT & TRANSLATION

وَيْلٌ لِّكُلِّ هُمَزَةٍ لُّمَزَةٍ {١}

1. Woe to every slanderer and backbiter,

الَّذِي جَمَعَ مَالًا وَعَدَّدَهُ {٢}

2. who amasses wealth and counts it over and over,

يَحْسَبُ أَنَّ مَالَهُ أَخْلَدَهُ {٣}

3. thinking that his wealth will make him immortal.

كَأَنَّهُ لَيُبْتَلَنُ فِي الْحُطَمَةِ {٤}

4. No! He will surely be cast into the Crusher.

وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا الْحُطَمَةُ {٥}

5. And what will make you realise what the Crusher is?

نَارُ اللَّهِ الْمَوْقَدَةُ {٦}

6. It is Allah's kindled Fire,

الَّتِي تَطَّلِعُ عَلَى الْأَفْئِدَةِ {٧}

7. which rises over the hearts.

إِنَّهَا عَلَيْهِمْ مُّوَصَّدَةٌ {٨}

8. It will be closed in over them,

فِي عَمَدٍ مُمَدَّدَةٍ {٩}

9. in outstretched columns.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

وَيْلٌ

woe / destruction

هُمَزَةٌ

slanderer (insults to the face)

لُّمَزَةٌ

backbiter (in one's absence)

جَمَعَ مَالًا وَعَدَّدَهُ

amassed wealth and counts it

أَخْلَدَهُ

will make him immortal

الْحُطَمَةِ

the Crusher (al-Hutamah, a fire)

الْمُوقَدَةَ

the kindled (fire)

الْأَفئِدَةَ

the hearts

مُؤَصَّدَةً

closed in / sealed over (them)

A crib row for each of this lesson's three surahs, then the memory hooks. The complete **23-surah crib** and the all-surah battery test are in [lesson 6](#) → [lesson 7](#).

## This lesson's three surahs

Surah	Name means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme keyword	Revelation hook
الفيل #105	The Elephant	أَبَابِيلَ in flocks	Allah destroyed Abraha's <b>elephant army</b> (ababil birds)	The <b>cause</b> — set up before Quraysh's blessing
قريش #106	The tribe Quraysh	إِيْلَافٍ accustomed security	Gratitude for <b>security &amp; the winter/summer caravans</b> → worship the Lord of this House	The <b>blessing</b> that follows Al-Feel
الهمزة #104	The Slanderer	هُمَزَةً لَمَزَةً slanderer · backbiter	Woe to the <b>backbiter who hoards wealth</b> → al-Hutamah (the Crusher)	Humazah (insult to the face) vs Lumazah (backbite in absence)

## Memory hooks

- Only THREE Madani** in the whole syllabus: **البينة** (#98) + **الزلزلة** (#99) + **النصر** (#110, lesson 6). Everything else is **Makki** — answer “Makki” unless it's one of these three.
- Feel → Quraysh = cause → blessing.** Allah destroyed the elephant army (Feel) → so Makkah and Quraysh's caravans stayed safe (Quraysh). In some recitations they are read as one unit.
- Quraysh's two gifts:** **أَطْعَمَهُمْ مِنْ جُوعٍ** (fed against hunger) + **آمَنَهُمْ مِنْ خَوْفٍ** (secured from fear) — provision & safety.

4 **Humazah's pair:** هُمَزَةٌ = insult to the face · لَمَزَةٌ = backbite in absence. Punishment = الحَطَمَةُ, the Crusher (a name of Hell).

5 **“First” superlatives:** Al-Alaq = first revelation · Al-Fatiha = first complete surah · Laylat al-Qadr = night the Quran first descended.

6 **Two “equals” facts:** Al-Ikhlās =  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the Quran · Laylat al-Qadr = better than 1000 months.

7 **Occasions worth memorising:** Masad (Abu Lahab's insult at Safa) · Falaq/Nas (sorcery / refuge) · Ikhlas (“describe your Lord”) · Duha (revelation paused) · Alaq (Cave of Hira / Abu Jahl) · Feel (Year of the Elephant) · Quraysh (safe caravans).

## 6 · Al-Ma'un · Al-Kawthar · Al-Kafirun · An-Nasr

**Thafseer Lafzi = the meaning of every word.** For each surah: read the Arabic, learn the **word-by-word meanings** (the chips), then rebuild the translation in the **Word-by-word** tab. Theme / occasion / reflection are collapsed under each surah as background — context, not the focus of the lafzi paper. **Flash mode** hides the meanings so you can self-test.

TEXT & TRANSLATION

أَرَأَيْتَ الَّذِي يُكَذِّبُ بِالْإِيمَانِ {١}

1. Have you seen the one who denies the Recompense?

فَذَلِكَ الَّذِي يَدُعُّ الْيَتِيمَ {٢}

2. That is the one who drives away the orphan,

وَلَا يَحْضُرُ عَلَىٰ طَعَامِ الْمِسْكِينِ {٣}

3. and does not encourage the feeding of the poor.

فَوَيْلٌ لِلْمُصَلِّينَ {٤}

4. So woe to those who pray —

الَّذِينَ هُمْ عَنْ صَلَاتِهِمْ سَاهُونَ {٥}

5. those who are heedless of their prayer,

الَّذِينَ هُمْ يُرَاءُونَ {٦}

6. those who make a show [of their deeds]

وَيَمْنَعُونَ الْمَاعُونَ {٧}

7. and withhold [even] small kindnesses.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

يُكَذِّبُ بِالْإِيمَانِ

denies the Recompense /  
Judgement

يَدُعُّ

drives away / repels harshly

الْيَتِيمَ

the orphan

لَا يَحْضُرُ

does not urge / encourage

الْمِسْكِينِ

the poor / needy

سَاهُونَ

heedless / neglectful (of it)

يُرَاءُونَ

they show off (riyaa)

الْمَاعُونَ

small kindnesses / everyday  
assistance

## سُورَةُ الْكَوْثَرِ Al-Kawthar — “Abundance”

Makki · 3 verses · #108

shortest surah

### TEXT & TRANSLATION

إِنَّا أَعْطَيْنَاكَ الْكَوْثَرَ {١}

1. Indeed, We have granted you al-Kawthar (abundance).

فَصَلِّ لِرَبِّكَ وَانْحَرْ {٢}

2. So pray to your Lord and sacrifice [to Him alone].

إِنَّ شَانِئَكَ هُوَ الْأَبْتَرُ {٣}

3. Indeed, the one who hates you — he is the one cut off.

### KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

أَعْطَيْنَاكَ

We have given you

الْكَوْثَرَ

abundant good / a river in  
Paradise

فَصَلِّ

so pray

وَانْحَرْ

and sacrifice

شَانِئَكَ

the one who hates you

الْأَبْتَرُ

the cut-off one (no good, no  
legacy)

surah of baraa'ah

TEXT & TRANSLATION

قُلْ يَا أَيُّهَا الْكَافِرُونَ ﴿١﴾

1. Say: O disbelievers,

لَا أَعْبُدُ مَا تَعْبُدُونَ ﴿٢﴾

2. I do not worship what you worship,

وَلَا أَنْتُمْ عَابِدُونَ مَا أَعْبُدُ ﴿٣﴾

3. nor are you worshippers of what I worship.

وَلَا أَنَا عَابِدٌ مَّا عَبَدْتُمْ ﴿٤﴾

4. Nor will I be a worshipper of what you worship,

وَلَا أَنْتُمْ عَابِدُونَ مَا أَعْبُدُ ﴿٥﴾

5. nor will you be worshippers of what I worship.

لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ ﴿٦﴾

6. For you is your religion, and for me is my religion.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

الْكَافِرُونَ

the disbelievers

لَا أَعْبُدُ

I do not worship

مَا تَعْبُدُونَ

what you worship

عَابِدُونَ

worshippers

دِينُكُمْ

your religion

وَلِيَ دِينِ

and for me is my religion

the Farewell surah

TEXT & TRANSLATION

إِذَا جَاءَ نَصْرُ اللَّهِ وَالْفَتْحُ {١}

1. When the help of Allah and the conquest come,

وَرَأَيْتَ النَّاسَ يَدْخُلُونَ فِي دِينِ اللَّهِ أَفْوَاجًا {٢}

2. and you see the people entering the religion of Allah in multitudes,

فَسَبِّحْ بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ وَاسْتَغْفِرْهُ ۗ إِنَّهُ كَانَ تَوَّابًا {٣}

3. then exalt your Lord with praise and seek His forgiveness. Indeed, He is ever Accepting of repentance.

KEY WORDS (LAFZI)

نَصْرُ اللَّهِ

the help of Allah

الْفَتْحُ

the conquest (of Makkah)

أَفْوَاجًا

in multitudes / crowds

فَسَبِّحْ

so glorify (say Subhan-Allah)

بِحَمْدِ رَبِّكَ

with praise of your Lord

اسْتَغْفِرْهُ

seek His forgiveness

تَوَّابًا

ever Accepting of repentance

A crib row for each of these four surahs, then the memory hooks. The **complete 23-surah crib** and the all-surah battery test are in [lesson 7](#).

This lesson's four surahs

Surah	Name means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme keyword	Revelation hook
الماعون #107	Small kindnesses / aid	الْمَاعُونَ small kindnesses	Faith proven by <b>deeds</b> — orphan, poor, no riyaa	Whoever denies Judgement abuses the orphan & prays for show

الكوثر #108	Abundance	الكَوْثَرُ abundance	Allah's <b>gift</b> to the Prophet ﷺ; pray & sacrifice	al-‘As called the Prophet ﷺ “abtar” — the hater is abtar
الكافرون #109	The disbelievers	الْكَافِرُونَ the disbelievers	Total <b>baraa’ah</b> from shirk — no compromise	Quraysh offered to swap worship year-by-year — rejected
النصر #110	The Help / Victory	أَفْوَاجًا in crowds	Meet victory with <b>tasbih &amp; istighfar</b>	Madani · Farewell Hajj · sign of the Prophet's ﷺ death

## Memory hooks

- 1 **Three “occasion” surahs to never miss:** Al-Masad (Abu Lahab's insult), Al-Kawthar (al-‘As called the Prophet ﷺ *abtar*), Al-Kafirun (Quraysh's worship-swap offer). Examiners love the reason for revelation.
- 2 **Al-Ma‘un pairing:** denying the Judgement (يُكَذِّبُ بِالْأَيْنِ) shows up as abusing the **orphan** + ignoring the **poor** + praying for **show** + withholding **small aid**.
- 3 **Kawthar = shortest surah** (3 verses). Its command: فَصَلِّ لِرَبِّكَ وَأَنْحَرْ — pray and sacrifice **for Allah alone** (vs idolaters' sacrifice).
- 4 **Kafirun = the surah of baraa’ah** (disassociation). Memory: “to you yours, to me mine” (لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ) — no compromise on Tawheed.
- 5 **Nasr = the farewell.** Victory (نصر + فتح) → people enter Islam أفواجًا → respond with سَبِّحْ + اسْتَغْفِرْ. It hinted the Prophet's ﷺ mission was finishing.
- 6 **Mu'awwidhat protection set:** Ikhlas + Falaq + Nas (after every fard salah & before sleep); Kafirun is also recommended **before sleep** as a declaration of Tawheed.

## 7 · Complete review — all-23 crib + battery test

The whole syllabus on one screen. المَدَنِيّ rows (Madani) are marked gold: only **Al-Bayyinah**, **Az-Zalzalah** and **An-Nasr** are Madani — everything else is Makki.

### All 23 surahs — the complete crib

#	Surah	Means	Key word (lafzi)	Theme	M/M
1	الفاتحة	The Opening	الْحَمْدُ all praise	Essence of the Quran — praise, tawheed, the straight path	Makki
93	الضحى	Morning Brightness	مَا وَدَّعَكَ He has not forsaken you	Comfort: your Lord has not abandoned you	Makki
94	الشرح	The Expansion	الْعُسْرُ • يُسْرًا hardship • ease	“With hardship comes ease” — relief after difficulty	Makki
95	التين	The Fig	أَحْسَنَ تَفْوِيمٍ the best form	Man created in the best form; faith + deeds save him	Makki
96	العلق	The Clot	اقْرَأْ Read!	First revelation — “Read!”; knowledge vs tyranny	Makki
97	القدر	The Decree	لَيْلَةَ الْقَدْرِ the Night of Decree	Laylat al-Qadr — better than 1000 months	Makki
98	البينة	The Clear Proof	الْبَيِّنَةُ the clear proof	The clear evidence; best vs worst of creation	Madani
99	الزلزلة	The Earthquake	مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ an atom's weight	The earth testifies; atom's weight of good/evil seen	Madani
100	العاديات	The Chargers	الْعَادِيَاتِ the chargers	Man's ingratitude to his Lord	Makki
101	القارعة	The Striking Calamity	الْقَارِعَةُ the striking calamity	Judgement Day; the scales of deeds	Makki
102	التكاثر	Rivalry in Increase	التَّكَاثُرُ rivalry in increase	Distraction by worldly competition until death	Makki
103	العصر	Time	خُسْرٍ loss	All mankind is in loss — except 4 qualities	Makki

104	الهمزة	The Slanderer	هُمَزَةٌ لَمَزَةٌ slanderer · backbiter	Woe to the backbiter who hoards wealth	Makki
105	الفيل	The Elephant	أَبَائِلٌ in flocks	Allah destroyed Abraha's army of the elephant	Makki
106	قريش	Quraysh	إِيَّالِفٍ accustomed security	Gratitude for security & provision → worship	Makki
107	الماعون	Small Kindnesses	الْمَاعُونَ small kindnesses	Faith proven by deeds; no riyaa	Makki
108	الكوثر	Abundance	الْكُوثَرُ abundance	Allah's gift; pray & sacrifice; hater is abtar	Makki
109	الكافرون	The Disbelievers	الْكَافِرُونَ the disbelievers	Disavowal of shirk — no compromise	Makki
110	النصر	The Help	أَفْوَاجًا in crowds	Victory → tasbih & istighfar; farewell	Madani
111	المسد	Palm Fibre	تَبَّتْ perish!	Abu Lahab's ruin — wealth can't save	Makki
112	الإخلاص	Sincerity	الصَّمَدُ the Eternal Refuge	Pure Tawheed — = 1/3 of the Quran	Makki
113	الفلق	Daybreak	الْفَلَقِ the daybreak	Refuge from external evils	Makki
114	الناس	Mankind	الْخَنَّاسِ the retreating whisperer	Refuge from the internal whisperer	Makki

## Memory hooks for the whole syllabus

1

**Only 3 Madani surahs:** النصر · الزلزلة · البينة (Bayyinah, Zalzalah, Nasr). Asked  
“Makki or Madani?” — if it isn't one of these three, answer **Makki**.

2

**The “occasion of revelation” set** examiners love: Al-Masad (Abu Lahab's insult at  
Safa) · Al-Ikhlās (the idolaters asked to “describe your Lord's lineage”) · Al-Kawthar  
(al-‘As called the Prophet ﷺ abtar) · Al-Kafirun (Quraysh's worship-swap offer) · An-  
Nasr (the Farewell Hajj / the Prophet's ﷺ approaching death).

**3** **“First” superlatives:** Al-Alaq = the **first revelation** (“Iqra — Read!”) · Al-Fatiha = the **first complete surah** and the essence (Umm al-Kitab) · Laylat al-Qadr (Al-Qadr) = the night the Quran first descended, better than 1000 months.

**4** **The protection set (Mu'awwidhat):** Al-Ikhlās + Al-Falaq + An-Nas — recited after every fard salah and before sleep. Falaq = **external** evils; Nas = the **internal** whisperer (al-khannās, who retreats when Allah is remembered).

**5** **Judgement-Day scenes:** Az-Zalzalah (earth testifies, atom's weight seen) · Al-Qari'ah (the scales / mawazin) · At-Takathur (rivalry distracts “until you visit the graves”) · Al-Asr (all mankind in loss **except** faith, good deeds, advising truth & patience).

**6** **Makkan history pair:** Al-Feel (Allah destroyed Abrahā's elephant army with the ababil birds) → Quraysh (so be grateful for the security and the winter/summer caravans → worship the Lord of this House). Cause → blessing.

**7** **Consolation pair:** Ad-Duha (“your Lord has not forsaken you”) + Ash-Sharh (“with hardship comes ease”) — both reassure the Prophet ﷺ. At-Teen: man made in **the best form** (aḥsan taqwīm).

## Self-test — every quiz question with its answer

### Intro + Falaq · Ikhlas · Nas · Masad

Tafseer **linguistically** (في اللغة) means:

→ **Clarification and uncovering the meaning**

From قَسَّرَ — to make clear / uncover. Lafzi tafseer = giving the meaning of each word.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

وَمِنْ شَرِّ حَاسِدٍ إِذَا حَسَدَ

→ **الفلق**

Al-Falaq, last verse — “and from the evil of an envier when he envies.”

Which surah does this verse belong to?

الَّذِي يُوسِّسُ فِي صُدُورِ النَّاسِ

→ **الناس**

An-Nas, v5 — “who whispers into the hearts of mankind.”

Meaning of الصَّمَدُ :

→ **The Eternal Refuge — all depend on Him, He needs none**

As-Samad — the One every creature turns to, while He needs no one.

Meaning of غَاسِقٍ إِذَا وَقَبَ :

→ **Darkness of night when it settles**

ghasiq = the dark night; idha waqab = when it grows dark / settles.

Meaning of الخَنَّاسِ :

→ **The one who withdraws / retreats**

Al-khannas — the whisperer who retreats when Allah is remembered.

Meaning of حَمَّالَةَ الْحَطَبِ :

→ **Carrier of firewood**

Abu Lahab's wife — “carrier of firewood” (she carried thorns to harm the Prophet ﷺ).

Meaning of النَّفَّاثَاتِ فِي الْعُقَدِ :

→ **Those who blow on knots (sorcery)**

an-naffathat fil-'uqad — the women/sorcerers who blow on knots.

Meaning of كُفُوًا :

→ **Equal / comparable**

kufuwan — “none is comparable / equal to Him.”

Meaning of تَبَّتْ :

→ **May they perish / be ruined**

tabbat — “perish / be ruined” (the two hands of Abu Lahab).

Which Arabic word/phrase means “**did not avail / benefit him**”?

→ مَا أَغْنَى

مَا أَغْنَى عَنْهُ مَالُهُ — “his wealth did not avail him.”

Which surah here is **Madani**?

→ **None — all four are Makki**

Falaq, Ikhlas, Nas and Masad are all Makki. (Only Bayyinah, Zalzalah and An-Nasr are Madani.)

## Al-Fatiha · Ad-Duha · Ash-Sharh · At-Teen

Meaning of مَالِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ :

→ **Master of the Day of Recompense**

Al-Fatiha v4 — Allah is Master / Owner of the Day of Judgement.

Meaning of الصِّرَاطِ الْمُسْتَقِيمِ :

→ **The straight path**

Al-Fatiha v6 — اهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ, “guide us to the straight path.”

Meaning of مَا وَدَّعَكَ رَبُّكَ وَمَا قَلَى :

→ **Your Lord has not forsaken you nor hated you**

Ad-Duha v3 — the direct reassurance to the Prophet ﷺ when revelation paused.

Which Arabic phrase means “**do not repel / scold (the beggar)**”?

→ فَلَا تَنْهَرْ

وَأَمَّا السَّائِلَ فَلَا تَنْهَرْ — “as for the one who asks, do not repel him.” (فَلَا تَنْهَرْ = do not oppress the orphan.)

Meaning of أَنْقَضَ ظَهْرَكَ :

→ **weighed down your back (Which)**

Ash-Sharh v3 — الَّذِي أَنْقَضَ ظَهْرَكَ, that weighed down the back.

Meaning of رَفَعْنَا لَكَ ذِكْرَكَ :

→ **We raised high your renown**

Ash-Sharh v4 — وَرَفَعْنَا لَكَ ذِكْرَكَ; the Prophet's ﷺ name is joined to Allah's in the shahadah and adhan.

Meaning of أَحْسَنَ تَقْوِيمٍ :

→ **The best of moulds / stature**

At-Teen v4 — فِي أَحْسَنِ تَقْوِيمٍ, in the best mould.

Meaning of أَسْفَلَ سَافِلِينَ :

→ **The lowest of the low**

At-Teen v5 — ثُمَّ رَدَدْنَاهُ أَسْفَلَ سَافِلِينَ, reduced to the lowest of the low (without faith).

Which surah does this verse belong to?

→ الضحى

“And the Hereafter is better for you than this first life” — Ad-Duha verse 4.

وَلِلْآخِرَةِ خَيْرٌ لَكَ مِنَ الْأُولَى

Which surah does this verse belong to?

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ

→ **الفاتحة**

“You alone we worship and You alone we ask for help” — Al-Fatiha verse 5.

Which surah here is **Madani**?

→ **None — all four are Makki**

Fatiha, Duha, Sharh and Teen are all Makki. In the whole syllabus only Al-Bayyinah, Az-Zalzalah and An-Nasr are Madani.

Surah Ad-Duha was revealed because:

→ **Revelation paused and the idolaters mocked that Allah had forsaken the Prophet**

When wahy stopped for a time, the disbelievers taunted him; Allah revealed Ad-Duha to reassure him.

## Al-Alaq · Al-Qadr · Al-Bayyinah · Az-Zalzalah

Meaning of **عَلَّمَ بِالْقَلَمِ** :

→ **Taught by the pen**

Al-Alaq v4 — Allah taught man through the pen; the honour of writing and knowledge.

Meaning of **اسْتَعْنَى** :

→ **Sees himself self-sufficient**

Al-Alaq v7 — **أَنْ رَأَى اسْتَعْنَى**: man transgresses when he thinks himself self-sufficient.

Meaning of **الرُّجْعَى** :

→ **The return (to Allah)**

Al-Alaq v8 — **إِنِّي إِلَيَّ رُجْعَى**: to your Lord is the return.

Meaning of **خَيْرٌ مِنْ أَلْفِ شَهْرٍ** :

→ **Better than a thousand months**

Al-Qadr v3 — Laylat al-Qadr is better than a thousand months (~83 years).

Meaning of **وَالرُّوحِ** in Al-Qadr (“the angels and ...”):

→ **The Spirit — Jibreel**

**تَنْزِيلُ الْمَلَائِكَةِ وَالرُّوحِ** — the angels and the Ruh (Jibreel) descend on Laylat al-Qadr.

Meaning of **خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ** :

→ **The best of creatures**

Al-Bayyinah v7 — believers who do good are **خَيْرُ الْبَرِيَّةِ**; the disbelievers are **شَرُّ الْبَرِيَّةِ**.

Meaning of **مُخْلِصِينَ لَهُ الدِّينَ** :

→ **Sincere to Him in religion**

Al-Bayyinah v5 — the upright religion: worship Allah **مُخْلِصِينَ** (sincere) to Him, with prayer and zakat.

Meaning of **مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ** :

→ **An atom's weight**

Az-Zalzalah vv7-8 — **مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ**: an atom's weight of good or evil, both seen.

Which Arabic phrase means “**prostrate and draw near**”?

→ **وَأَسْجُدْ وَاقْتَرِبْ**

Al-Alaq v19 — **وَأَسْجُدْ وَاقْتَرِبْ**, a verse of prostration; the cure for arrogance.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

اقْرَأْ بِاسْمِ رَبِّكَ الَّذِي خَلَقَ

→ **العلق**

“Read in the name of your Lord who created” — Al-Alaq verse 1, the first revelation.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

فَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ

→ **الزلزلة**

The “atom’s weight of good” verse — Az-Zalzalah verse 7.

Which surah is **Madani**?

→ **Al-Bayyinah**

Al-Bayyinah (#98), Az-Zalzalah (#99) and An-Nasr (#110) are the three Madani surahs in the syllabus.

## Al-Adiyat · Al-Qari'ah · At-Takathur · Al-Asr

Meaning of **كَنُودٌ** :

→ **Ungrateful**

Al-Adiyat v6 — **man** is **كَنُودٌ**, ungrateful, to the Lord who provides for him.

Which Arabic word means “**the charging horses / racers**”?

→ **الْعَادِيَاتِ**

**وَالْعَادِيَاتِ صَبْحًا** — the racers / charging warhorses, panting. (**الْمُغِيرَاتِ** = the raiders.)

Meaning of **تَقَلَّتْ مَوَازِينُهُ** :

→ **His scales (of deeds) are heavy**

Al-Qari'ah v6 — a heavy scale of good deeds leads to **عَيْشَةٍ رَاضِيَةٍ**, a pleasant life.

Meaning of **كَالْعِهْنِ الْمَنْفُوشِ** :

→ **Like fluffed-up wool**

Al-Qari'ah v5 — on that Day the mountains become **كَالْعِهْنِ الْمَنْفُوشِ**, like fluffed-up (carded) wool.

Meaning of **هَآوِيَةٌ** :

→ **The Abyss — a name of Hell**

Al-Qari'ah v9 — the one whose scales are light, his refuge is **هَآوِيَةٌ**, the Abyss (Hell).

Meaning of **النَّعِيمِ** in At-Takathur:

→ **The blessings / pleasures (you'll be asked about)**

**نُتِمَّ لِنَسْأَلَنَّ يَوْمَئِذٍ عَنِ النَّعِيمِ** — you will be questioned about every blessing enjoyed.

Meaning of **أَلْهَاكُمُ** :

→ **It distracted / diverted you**

At-Takathur v1 — **أَلْهَاكُمُ اللَّكَاكُمُ**, the rivalry for piling up distracted you from the Hereafter.

Which Arabic phrase means “they enjoin one another to patience”?

→ **تَوَاصَوْا بِالصَّبْرِ**

Al-Asr v3 — **وَتَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ**, counsel one another to patience (تَوَاصَوْا بِالْحَقِّ = to truth).

Which surah does this verse belong to?

يَوْمَ يَكُونُ النَّاسُ كَالْفَرَاشِ الْمَبْتُوثِ

→ **القارعة**

“The Day people will be like scattered moths” — Al-Qari'ah verse 4.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

إِنَّ الْإِنْسَانَ لِفِي خُسْرٍ

→ **العصر**

“Indeed mankind is in loss” — Al-Asr verse 2.

Which surah here is **Madani**?

→ **None — all four are Makki**

Adiyah, Qari'ah, Takathur and Asr are all Makki. Only Bayyinah, Zalzalah (lesson 3) and An-Nasr (lesson 6) are Madani.

Surah **Al-Asr** is:

→ **Makki, 3 verses**

Al-Asr is #103, Makki, just 3 verses — yet ash-Shafi'i said it alone could guide mankind.

## Al-Feel · Quraysh · Al-Humazah

Which surah does this verse belong to?

أَلَمْ تَرَ كَيْفَ فَعَلَ رَبُّكَ بِأَصْحَابِ الْفِيلِ

→ **الفيل**

“Have you not seen how your Lord dealt with the people of the elephant?” — Al-Feel verse 1.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

الَّذِي أَطْعَمَهُمْ مِنْ جُوعٍ وَآمَنَهُمْ مِنْ خَوْفٍ

→ **قريش**

“Who fed them against hunger and secured them from fear” — Quraysh verse 4.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

وَيْلٌ لِّكُلِّ هُمَزَةٍ لُّمَزَةٍ

→ **الهمزة**

“Woe to every slanderer and backbiter” — Al-Humazah verse 1.

Meaning of **طَيْرًا أَبَابِيلَ** :

→ **Birds in flocks**

Al-Feel v3 — Allah sent against Abraha's army birds in successive flocks (ababil).

Meaning of **كَعَصْفٍ مَأْكُولٍ** :

→ **Like chewed-up / eaten straw**

Al-Feel v5 — Abraha's army was left like straw that has been eaten and chewed up.

Meaning of كَيْدُهُمْ :

→ **Their plot / scheme**

Al-Feel v2 — Allah made their كَيْدٍ (plot) go astray (فِي تَضَلُّيلٍ).

Meaning of رِحْلَةَ الشِّتَاءِ وَالصَّيْفِ :

→ **The journey of winter and summer**

Quraysh v2 — their safe trade caravans of winter (to Yemen) and summer (to Syria).

Which Arabic phrase means “**secured them from fear**”?

→ **أَمَّنَهُمْ مِنْ خَوْفٍ**

Quraysh v4 — وَأَمَّنَهُمْ مِنْ خَوْفٍ, the blessing of security (paired with provision against hunger).

Meaning of الْحُطَمَةِ :

→ **The Crusher (a blazing fire)**

Al-Humazah v4 — the slanderer-hoarder is cast into al-Hutamah, the Crushing Fire of Allah.

Meaning of أَخْلَدَهُ :

→ **Will make him immortal / live forever**

Al-Humazah v3 — the hoarder imagines مَالَهُ أَخْلَدَهُ, that his wealth made him immortal.

Meaning of هُمَزَةٍ :

→ **A slanderer who insults to the face**

هُمَزَةٌ insults openly to the face; لُمَزَةٌ backbites in one's absence.

Meaning of الصَّمَدِ :

→ **The Eternal Refuge — all depend on Him, He needs none**

Al-Ikhlâs v2 — As-Samad, the One every creature turns to while He needs no one (lesson 1).

Meaning of الْخَنَاسِ :

→ **The one who withdraws / retreats**

An-Nas — the whisperer who retreats the moment Allah is remembered (lesson 1).

Surah Al-Feel was revealed about which historical event?

→ **Abraha's elephant army marching to destroy the Ka'bah (Year of the Elephant)**

In the Year of the Elephant (~570 CE), Abraha attacked Makkah; Allah destroyed his army with birds and stones.

Al-Humazah condemns a person who:

→ **Slanders/backbites and hoards wealth thinking it makes him immortal**

هُمَزَةٌ (insult to face) + لُمَزَةٌ (backbite) who مَالًا وَعَدَدَهُ thinking أَخْلَدَهُ.

Which THREE surahs in the whole syllabus are **Madani**?

→ **Al-Bayyinah, Az-Zalzalah and An-Nasr**

Al-Bayyinah (#98), Az-Zalzalah (#99) and An-Nasr (#110) are Madani; everything else is Makki.

## Al-Ma'un · Al-Kawthar · Al-Kafirun · An-Nasr

Meaning of الْمَاعُونِ :

→ **Small kindnesses / everyday assistance**

Al-Ma'un = small acts of help (and basic items people lend each other) — withholding them is condemned.

Meaning of **يَدْعُ الْيَتِيمَ** :

→ **Drives away the orphan**

yadu‘u al-yatim — he repels the orphan harshly, the mark of one who denies the Judgement.

Which Arabic word means **“the poor / needy”**?

→ **الْمِسْكِينِ**

al-miskin — the poor/needy; Al-Ma‘un condemns not urging that he be fed.

Meaning of **سَاهُونَ** :

→ **Heedless / neglectful of their prayer**

“...those who are heedless of their prayer” — sahun = careless / neglectful of it.

Meaning of **الْأَبْتَرُ** :

→ **The one cut off (no good, no legacy)**

Al-abtar = cut off from all good — said of the Prophet's ﷺ enemy, not of him.

The command in Al-Kawthar means:

فَصَلِّ لِرَبِّكَ وَأَنْحَرْ

→ **Pray to your Lord and sacrifice**

“So pray to your Lord and sacrifice” — worship and sacrifice for Allah alone, vs idolaters' sacrifice.

Meaning of **شَانِئَكَ** :

→ **The one who hates you**

shani'aka — the one who hates you; he is the abtar, the truly cut off.

Meaning of **أَفْوَاجًا** :

→ **In multitudes / crowds**

People entered the religion of Allah أفوَاجًا — in great crowds — after the conquest of Makkah.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

وَيَمْنَعُونَ الْمَاعُونَ

→ **الماعون**

“...and withhold small kindnesses” — the last verse of Al-Ma‘un.

Which surah ends with **لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ** ?

→ **الكافرون**

Al-Kafirun — the declaration of disassociation (baraa'ah) from shirk.

Which surah in this lesson is **Madani**?

→ **(النصر) An-Nasr**

An-Nasr is Madani (revealed at the Farewell Hajj); the other three are Makki. Only Bayyinah, Zalzalah and An-Nasr are Madani in this syllabus.

## Complete review — all-23 crib + battery test

Meaning of **الصَّمَدُ** :

→ **The Eternal Refuge — all depend on Him**

As-Samad (Al-Ikhlās) — the One every creature turns to, needing none.

Meaning of الْخَنَّاسِ :

→ **The retreating whisperer**

Al-Khannas (An-Nas) — withdraws when Allah is remembered.

Meaning of الْقَارِعَةُ :

→ **The striking calamity (Judgement Day)**

Al-Qari'ah — the sudden striking calamity.

Meaning of مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ :

→ **An atom's weight**

Az-Zalzalah — “whoever does an atom's weight of good will see it.”

Meaning of اِفْرَأْ :

→ **!Read! / Recite**

Al-Alaq, v1 — the first word revealed: “Read in the name of your Lord.”

Meaning of أَفْوَاجًا :

→ **In multitudes / crowds**

An-Nasr — people entered Allah's religion in crowds.

Meaning of الْمَاعُونَ :

→ **Small kindnesses / everyday aid**

Al-Ma'un — withholding even small assistance is condemned.

Meaning of الْكَوْثَرَ :

→ **Abundance (a river in Paradise)**

Al-Kawthar — abundant good granted to the Prophet ﷺ.

Meaning of تَبَّتْ :

→ **May they perish / be ruined**

Al-Masad — “Perish the two hands of Abu Lahab.”

Meaning of أَحْسَنَ تَقْوِيمٍ :

→ **The best of moulds / stature**

At-Teen — “We created man in the best of forms.”

Which Arabic phrase means “**the Night of Decree**”?

→ **لَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ**

Laylat al-Qadr (Al-Qadr) — better than a thousand months.

Which surah does this verse belong to?

→ **الشرح**

Ash-Sharh — “Did We not expand for you your breast?”

أَلَمْ نَشْرَحْ لَكَ صَدْرَكَ

Which surah does this verse belong to?

لَكُمْ دِينُكُمْ وَلِيَ دِينِ

→ الكافرون

Al-Kafirun — “to you your religion, and to me mine.”

Which surah does this verse belong to?

فَمَنْ يَعْمَلْ مِثْقَالَ ذَرَّةٍ خَيْرًا يَرَهُ

→ الزلزلة

Az-Zalzalah — the atom's-weight verse.

Which THREE surahs in the syllabus are **Madani**?

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Everything is Makki except Al-Bayyinah (#98), Az-Zalzalah (#99) and An-Nasr (#110).

Which surah equals **one-third of the Quran** in reward?

→ الإخلاص

Al-Ikhlās — pure Tawheed is a third of the Quran's message.