

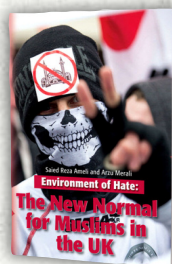
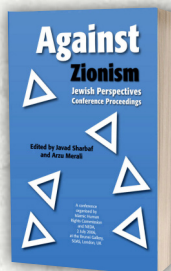
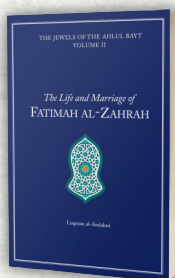
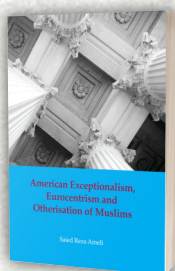
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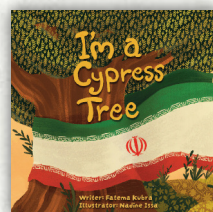
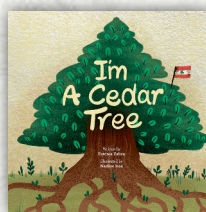
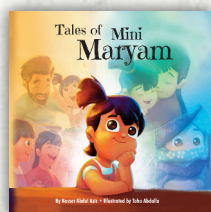
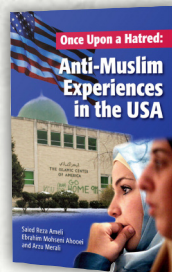


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Towards Sacred Activism

Dawud Walid (2025)

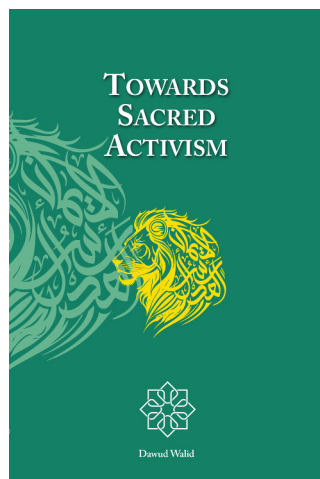
TOWARDS Sacred Activism by Dawud Walid offers guidance for Muslims in the West on engaging in social justice activism while remaining true to their Islamic values. The work provides general parameters and reminders rooted in fundamental Islamic principles. This book draws from the rich Islamic tradition to advocate for a model life that prioritises the well-being of all of Allah's creation, with a particular focus on humanity..

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“This work by Imam Dawud Walid, *Towards Sacred Activism*, is a very valuable addition to the ever-growing library of English-language Islamic literature. The title itself, however, seems to hint at an oxymoron. After all, activism, as usually understood, implies a passionate, engulfing engagement with the world, while the sacred implies that which is of or related to God, who is, in many critical aspects, distinct from the world. This seeming contradiction only exists when we view the world through the dichotomised lens provided to us by the modern West. As more and more Muslims adopt that lens as part of their effort to both understand and engage with the modern world, the gap between the religious scholar, viewed by many as the principal defender and preserver of the sacred in the world, and the activist, grows wider.”

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A walk through the streets of Sarajevo: Bosnia and Herzegovina from the perspective of the martyr Ayatollah Ali Khamenei (r.a.)

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THIS BOOK is a collection of speeches, references, and prayers regarding Bosnia and Herzegovina by Martyr Ali Khamenei (r.a.), spanning the period from February 3, 1992, to March 17, 2005.

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that an act of aggression against Bosnia and Herzegovina is merely a matter of time.

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Islamic Metaphysics of Racism

Dawud Walid (2025)

IN ISLAMIC Metaphysics of Racism, Dawud Walid explores the spiritual and metaphysical roots of racism through the lens of Islamic theology, Qur'anic teachings, and the science of purification of the soul (tazkiyyah al-nafs). Moving beyond political or sociological analyses, the book identifies racism as a manifestation of deep-seated spiritual maladies—arrogance, envy, ignorance, rage, fear, grief, and self-loathing—and offers remedies rooted in Islamic ethics and metaphysics.

Walid insists that no legislative or activist framework alone can eradicate racism unless it is accompanied by inner transformation. Drawing on the works of Imam al-Ghazali, Usman dan Fodio, Ahmadou Bamba, and the legacy of Malcolm X, Walid presents a spiritually anchored path of healing and redemption.

In the same vein as classical masters such as al-Ghazali, al-Muhasibi, and other luminaries of the Islamic tradition who wrote on the purification of the heart, Dawud Walid stands on their shoulders by seeking to understand contemporary social crises through the lens of intrinsic human diseases of the heart and their timeless remedies, making this spiritual wisdom urgently relevant to modern debates on racism and justice.

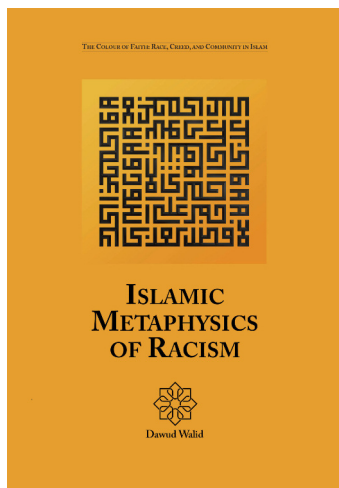
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Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei: Life and Legacy of a Wise Leader

by Professor Saied Reza Ameli (2025)

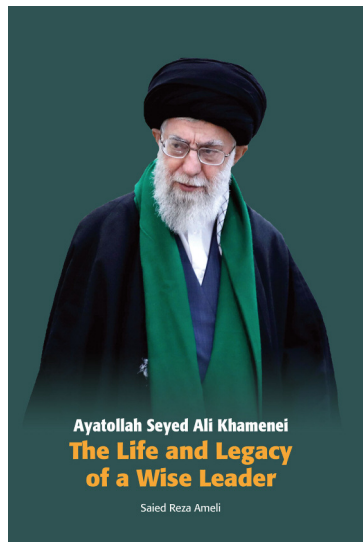
AYATOLLAH Seyed Ali Khamenei: Life and Legacy of a Wise Leader offers a rare and incisive portrait of one of the most influential figures in contemporary global politics and Islamic thought. In 144 pages, this volume distils the profound intellectual architecture and enduring legacy of Iran's now martyred leader, presenting an account that is both scholarly and accessible.

This work is far more than a mere chronology of events. It is an exploration of a distinctive leadership philosophy—rooted in divine wisdom (Hikmah), Quranic values, and strategic foresight—that has guided Iran through decades of immense

internal transformation and external pressure.

The book explores not only the moral and theological foundations of Khamenei's leadership but also his commitment to scientific advancement, economic resilience, and cultural sovereignty. This is a narrative of leadership with moral clarity, civilisational ambition, and unwavering purpose.

For scholars, policymakers, and those intrigued by contemporary Islamic thought, this book offers a compelling and necessary contribution. It is a testament to leadership anchored in values, and to a vision that dares to challenge the prevailing order.



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Blackness and Islam

Dawud Walid (2021)

MUSLIMS speak of Islam in egalitarian terms: the religion of peace, the religion that seeks to elevate man over his base desires, the religion that does not discriminate based on race and ethnicity. Despite the egalitarian spirit of Islam, the lived reality of many Muslims is very different, and this is most apparent when we observe how Muslims deal with race and ethnicity.

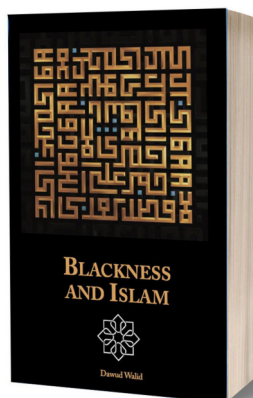
Muslims who are Black in the West, in particular, have found that while Islam may not discriminate based on race, many Muslims do. To make matters worse, some of those Muslims will delve into the Islamic tradition to justify their biases and bigotries, seeing no contradiction between their racism and the Islamic ideals.

This work seeks to clarify and debunk some traditions which support their racist positions and presents short biographies

of early Muslims who were Black. The biographies of these great Muslim personalities show us how Blackness was a normal part of life for early Muslims, in sharp contradistinction to modern prejudices against Black folks found in some Muslim communities.

“Imam Dawud Walid’s life’s work – in his previous publications, in the present volume and over the decade that I have known him – commends him as a soldier against satanic racism and especially its most perfect historical expression: white supremacy. This volume, by framing a religious response to what must be understood as a satanic spiritual attack, should be widely read and taught.” -

• **Dr. Rudolph Bilal Ware** –
*Associate Professor of
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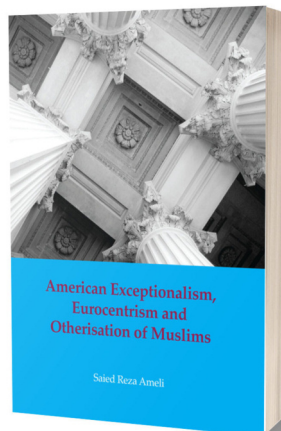
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American Exceptionalism, Eurocentrism and Otherisation of Muslims

Saied Reza Ameli (2018)

AMERICAN *Exceptionalism, Eurocentrism and Otherisation of Muslims* is a timely intervention in contemporary debates related to questions of Western oppression and people's liberation. Anybody interested in the past, present and future of the North/South global structures of domination and the responses given by theologies of liberation, this book is a must read.

“American Exceptionalism, Eurocentrism and Otherization of Muslims’ is an important contribution to understand the rise of global islamophobia and the difficult moment humanity faces today. Dr.Ameli brings us a profound analysis on the roots of the problem. He takes a long durée perspective to deconstruct major myths of Western modernity by going back to the history of Al-Andalus and the Crusades, to the conquest of the Americas in 1492, the invention of the myth of European origin in Greek civilization in the 18th century, the eurocentric structures of knowledge of the modern world, all the way to the orientalist narratives of the recent “war on terror”. But this book is not just about the deconstruction of Western Modernity myths. Dr.Ameli provides a fascinating reconstruction from Islamic sources of concepts of Justice and Ethics as well as Islam's comprehensive contributions to different aspects of human life as solutions to the different problems humanity faces today. This book is a major scholarly contribution in relation to previous literature published on the topic. It is a tour-de-force and a must read for anybody interested in building a new world, a new humanity and a new civilization beyond the present destructive exploitation and domination of Western civilization.



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On the Sociology of Islam

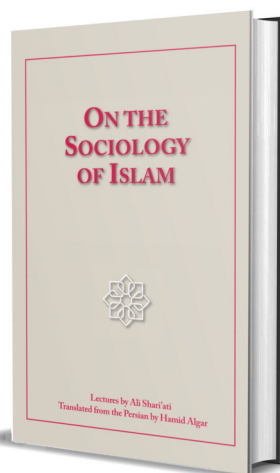
by Dr. Ali Shari'ati (2017)

DR. ALI SHARI'ATI (1933-1977) was a teacher, scholar and writer, who had a dynamic influence on the young people of Iran with his classes, discussions, free lectures and articles during the 1960s and 1970's. Shari'ati was a sociologist, educated in Mashhad and Paris, as well as a student of history and philosophy.

He subjected contemporary society to careful examination, using the terms, experiences and concepts found in Islamic philosophy and culture for his analysis. He formulated and presented to his

students and readers a coherent Islamic world-view and an ideology of social, political and economic change. His views contributed much to the Iranian Islamic revolution. Shari'ati's works are constantly reprinted and eagerly studied throughout Iran.

This anthology – translated by the esteemed Professor Hamid Algar – presents his major ideas. In it the reader is introduced to several of his favourite themes: the unity of the universe, the confusion of terms in Marxism and the man of faith as rebel.



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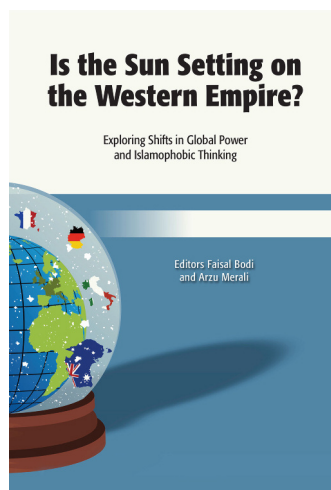
Is the Sun Setting on the Western Empire? Exploring Shifts in Global Power and Islamophobic Thinking

(2026)

THE PROCEEDINGS of this conference presented futures of multipolarity. This volume covers questions of how the west declines, the conflicts it has had and will foment in its efforts to prevent its demise, and what possible alternatives – for good or ill – are on the horizon

First presented at the end of 2022, these papers and presentation chart and

analyse the already evident collapse of the 'New World Order', its repercussions, not least in Palestine, and the possible futures opening up as a result. This book is essential reading for anyone who wants to hear from authentic academic and activist voices, speaking from within decolonial and anti-imperialist politics.



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A Brief History of the Islamic Movement in Nigeria

Zeenah Ibraheem (2022)

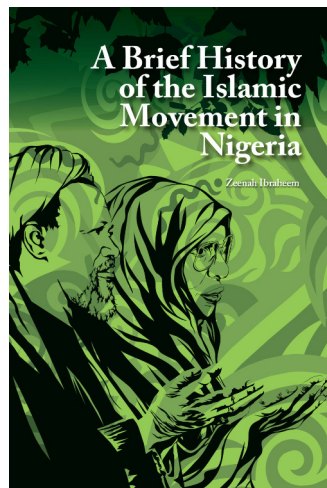
THE ISLAMIC Movement in Nigeria is a decades-long non-violent struggle that focuses on establishing an Islamic State and alternative government, having taken inspiration from the Iranian Revolution. Founded by Sheikh Ibrahim El-Zakzaky, the movement, its leaders and activists still face hostility.

This book provides a thorough understanding of the movement's development from the perspective of Zeenah Ibraheem covering many topics such as the Funtua Declaration, the Zaria Massacres of 2014 and

2015 and many experiences with the movement's opposition.

The author provides a first-hand account of her and her family's struggles in fighting for truth and justice in a country rife with corruption and a government still under the influence of Western imperialism.

This retelling provides a historical narrative of the Islamic Movement in Nigeria from the perspective of one of its leaders and the challenges which have arisen when resisting an oppressive government.



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Muslim Experiences of Hatred and Discrimination in Germany

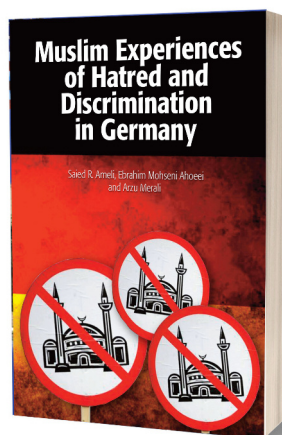
Saied R. Ameli, Ebrahim Mohseni Ahoeei and Arzu Merali - (2021)

USING the state of the art Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations, the authors of this long awaited analysis of Islamophobia in Germany chart the demise of the ideas of citizenship, equality and new Germanness.

The authors argue that Germany is uniquely poised in Europe to lead other nations in good practice or bad. The current situation is veering dangerously to the bad - with laws, policies and public rhetoric all imbued with and reproducing

Islamophobic narrative and practice.

Alongside analysis, the research sets out a comprehensive set of recommendations looking at media, policing, political narrative, citizenship laws, employment, education and many other aspects of the German state. It also presents fieldwork and statistics based on the DHMIR survey of the experiences of Muslims in Germany.



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Muslim Experiences of Hatred and Discrimination in Austria

(2021)

REVIEWS

This book could not be timelier given the rise of fascism in Europe. Austria is at the forefront of this rise. The extreme right Freedom Party of Austria (FPO) is a powerful factor in Austrian politics with support from one third of the electorate. This report details the influence of Islamophobia on the individual life of Muslims and on the institutional level in the public domain. It starts with a description of the history of Muslim communities in Austria since 1529. It explains how Islamophobia got institutionalized through the FPO campaign to stop “foreign infiltration” in 1999. The campaign got the FPO into a government coalition with the conservative Christian Democrats that year.

The book contains a wealth of qualitative and quantitative data on how Islamophobia penetrated every aspect of public life in Austria and the disastrous impact on the

daily lives of Muslims. This book is a must read for everybody following the rise of the extreme right in Europe.

• *Sandew Hira is secretary of the Decolonial International Network.*

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What's Going on Here? US Experiences of Islamophobia between Obama and Trump

By Saied R. Ameli and Saeed A. Khan - Trump (2020)

SAIED R. Ameli is joined by Saeed A. Khan to overview and analyse Islamophobia and the experiences of Muslims in the USA. Using Ameli's Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations (DHMIR) the authors look at developments from the end of the Obama regime to the current Trump administration setting them within the long view of the establishment of the USA.

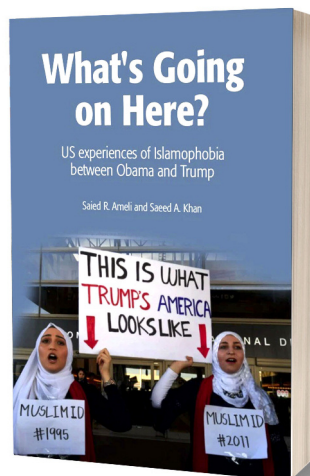
Following on from the survey findings in California in 2011-12, this book utilises original survey material from Chicagoland in 2014-15.

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Political Islamophobia at American Policy Institutes: Battling the Power of Islamic Resistance

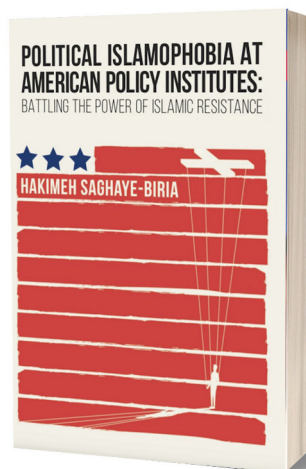
Hakimeh Saghaye-Biria (2020)

FOR THE last 5 decades the RAND Corporation, the Brookings Institute and the Washington Institute for Near East Policy have focussed on developments in Western Asia (‘the Middle East’). This focus increased exponentially after the 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran. They have since produced highly influential policy recommendation on the region but more broadly Islam (as religious and political ideas) and Muslims (as political subjects but also Islamically adherent actors) whether in the region or well beyond,

including in minority situations.

Overviewing these three think tanks’ obsession with Islam and Muslims since the Islamic Revolution in Iran in 1979, Saghaye-Biria discusses the implications for Muslim societies of the direction of travel proposed.

This thorough backgrounder and analysis raises important and challenging questions for Muslim policymakers, political activists and civil society leaders, as well as providing important critique for those studying Islam and politics in the current era.



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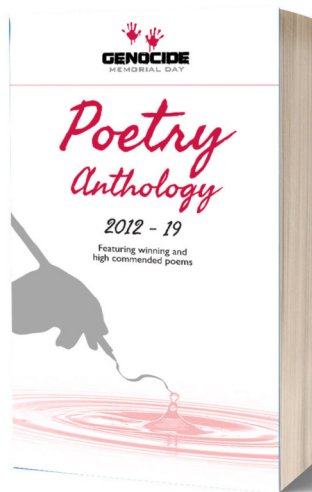
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WHETHER to memorialise, to inspire a prayer or to learn from, analyse and study, this volume brings much to reflect on, and despite its topic, a glimmer of hope that with increased understanding comes the chance of a better future. This is of interest to those who need a teaching resource on this topic, as well as those who appreciate poetry.

This anthology brings all the entries from winners, runners-up and those highly commended from 2012 - 2019 Genocide Memorial Day poetry competition in one volume. Since its first establishment in 2010, GMD events have taken place across the

world, established by different organisations working on their own or as part of both the Universal Justice Network (UJN) and the Decolonial International Network (DIN). Events have taken place in Jerusalem, The Hague, Paris, Brussels, Kuala Lumpur and many other places.

In the UK, running alongside the event itself and the website which provides resources for schools, teachers and activists on the various themes, has been the poetry competition for young people.



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The New Colonialism: The American Model of Human Rights

Edited by Arzu Merali and Faisal Bodi - (2019)

BASED on IHRC's conference of the same name, this book presents nine contributions from scholar-activists looking at how human rights as theory and practice have been co-opted by the US as part of a brutal, racist and colonial foreign and domestic policy. This book is a must-read for anyone concerned not just with US double standards but also the adulteration of the ideals of human rights as transformative discourse.

With papers from Saied R. Ameli, Laurens de Rooij, Mary K. Ryan, Saeed A. Khan, Tasneem Chopra, Sandew Hira, Ramon Grosfoguel, Rajeesh Kumar and Sohail Daulatzai.

REVIEWS:

"The promotion of human rights would be deemed a noble, constructive pursuit, ostensibly intended to create and promote universal standards of justice, equality and dignity. But the reality is often misaligned with the rhetoric when in the name of human rights, hegemonic forces seek to dehumanize

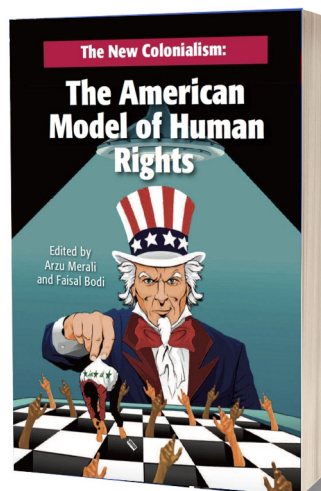
and devalue societies and peoples.

"This volume explores the American weaponization of human rights, as a discourse and a system of policies, as it institutionalizes racism, injustice and inequality, through the codification and imposition of Eurocentric frames of power that are, in fact, antithetical to both the principles and promise of human rights, i.e. a new expression of colonialism."

• *Saeed Khan, Senior Lecturer, Near East & Asian Studies and Global Studies, Wayne State University.*

"The New Colonialism: The American Model of Human Rights should be essential reading for those who seek to understand how the promotion of human rights has been a tool for American and Western colonisation of the physical space, cyberspace, and cultural imperialism."

• *Mohideen Abdul Kader, Universal Justice Network.*



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Subverting Sanctions: How Human Rights and International Law have been Violated

Saied Reza Ameli, Mohsen Ahooei, foreword
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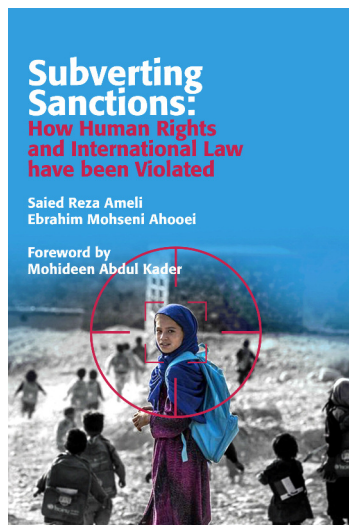
THE PURPOSE of 'Subverting Sanctions: How Human Rights and International Law have been Violated' is to demonstrate the human rights dimensions of sanctions in the sample countries and to argue a legal framework necessary to bring a lawsuit against the US on the basis of flagrant violation of human rights. Mass human rights violations resulting from the past sanctions include denial of access to health and medical services for sanctions.

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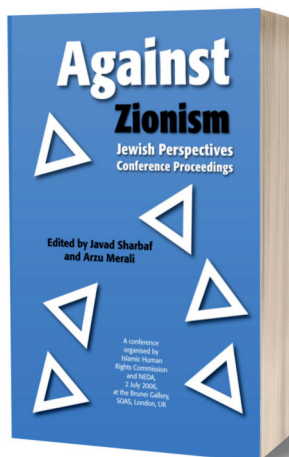
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'Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives' at the Brunei Gallery, School of Oriental and African Studies, marked a turning point in solidarity and activism for Palestine in civil society. Following on one year after the multi-faith conference 'Towards A New Liberation Theology: Reflections on Palestine' this event marked the continued and deep collaboration between diverse Jewish and Muslim voices.

The papers in this collection come from brave intellectuals, academics, activists, and Rabbis. All of

them continue to challenge the injustices and outright oppression caused by racist, supremacist discourses. Their work remains pertinent at a time when advocacy for justice, especially in support of the Palestinian people, their rights and their aspirations, is being demonised.

This volume is essential reading for those struggling for the dignity and equality of all peoples in making the arguments and connections needed to transform all cultures of hate into ones of mutual respect for diversity, and dignity for all.



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The Life And Marriage of Fatimah Al-Zahrah

Luqman Al-Andalusi - (2017)

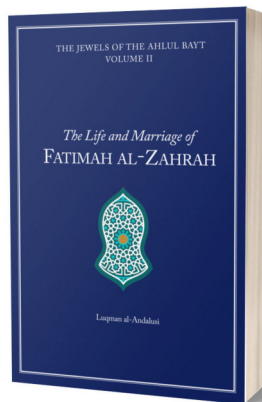
The Jewels of the Ahlul Bayt Volume II.

This is the second title in author Luqman Al-Andalusi's series of books detailing the lives of the Household of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). Fatimah al-Zahrah and her beloved family has been a source of inspiration, guidance and succour for countless Muslims throughout the history of Islam. This book hopes to delve into the marriage and personal life of Sayyidinah Fatimah and her beloved husband Sayyidina Ali ibn AbiTalib, in order to show how and why Muslims benefit from their radiant examples.

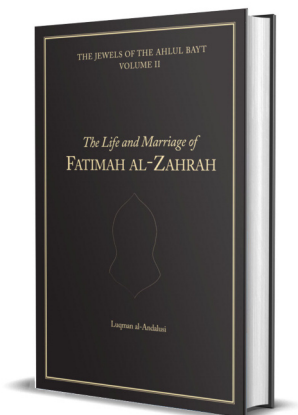
The examples set by them and the lessons gained from their lives are meant not only to be read, but also to be implemented within our lives.

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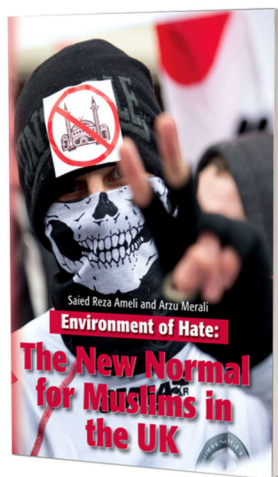
Environment of Hate: The New Normal for Muslims in the UK

Saied R. Ameli and Arzu Merali (2015)

Environment of Hate: The New Normal for Muslims in the UK provides shocking insight into the UK as an ever developing 'Stasi state' rife with hatred for the 'suspect' Muslim community. With analysis at every level – from grassroots to institutions – the authors examine the construction of an environment where Muslims are feared and loathed.

The authors have implemented the Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations – a critical methodology that argues that hate crimes do not occur in a vacuum. Perpetrators are themselves victim citizens who have been mobilised by structural forces; namely the government and the media. Both perpetrator and victim alike are at the mercy of a broader context of hate policy, hate representation and hate environment.

Taking us back to pre-9/11, the report acknowledges that even then Muslims were seen as exotic, different and a threat to national security. The state is seen as neutral and embodying Britishness and citizens of the state are only defined by their adherence to this specific national identity. Through devoted analysis to the PREVENT strategy and the Channel programme, the authors detail the way surveillance focused specifically on Muslims means they are assumed guilty of terrorism by association. With an overview of headlines in popular media, the report showcases embedded stereotypes and coded discriminatory language. The Muslim minority becomes victim to the social attitudes of the majority – learned through government policy and the media they consume – and this is then expressed in acts of hatred, hostility and violence.



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This will make very uncomfortable reading; not all will agree with this analysis, but it is painfully clear that physical and verbal violence against Muslims has risen spectacularly in recent years. As the authors make plain, a failure to challenge the attitudes that produce this is to open the door also to the most overt forms of racism and anti-Semitism. What is described here is a serious reproach to our society's most humane ideals and values.

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Dr. Rowan Williams,
Archbishop of Canterbury 2002-2012

Only Canadian: The Experience of Hate Moderated Citizenship for Muslims

Saied R. Ameli and Arzu Merali - (2014)

Only Canadian: The Experience of Hate Moderated Differential Citizenship for Muslims is another work in our series that utilises the Domination Hate Model of Intercultural Relations (DHMIR), this time focusing on Canada. The authors locate the impact of discriminatory and demonised discourses in the experience of citizenship for Muslims. Presenting the findings of fieldwork and articulating the voices of Muslims themselves, Ameli and Merali argue for a reinvention of the idea of a plural society.

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Ameli and Merali offer a timely and critical assessment of the Muslim experience in Canada. Drawing upon a national survey of over 400 Muslims, the report highlights that all is not well in the “peaceable kingdom”. In fact Ameli and Merali document the glaring contrasts between the Canadian rhetoric of multiculturalism and inclusion with the reality of exclusionary practices associated with Islamophobia. This ground-breaking study also provides a framework for change through a series of sweeping recommendations for popular and political action both from within and beyond the Muslim community.

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Dr. Barbara Perry,
Professor and Associate Dean in the Faculty of Social
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The Prisoners' Diaries: Palestinian Voices from the Israeli Gulag (2013)

(2013)

THIS BOOK is a compilation of firsthand experiences of 22 Palestinian prisoners released from prison by Israel as part of the prisoner exchange for the release of Gilad Shalit. The prisoners were interviewed by journalists and their accounts, their diaries, were compiled into a book by Norma Hashim. These autobiographical texts offer a rare opportunity to comprehend the inhumane indignities endured by tens of thousands of Palestinians prisoners throughout the decades of this long painful conflict.

REVIEWS OF THE PRISONERS' DIARIES:

"What I found most valuable about this publication was its success in turning the abstraction of Palestinian prisoners into a series of human stories most of which exhibit agonized feelings of regret resulting from prolonged estrangement from those they most love in the world. Particularly moving were the sorrows expressed by men missing their mothers and daughters. These are the written words of prisoners who have been convicted of various major

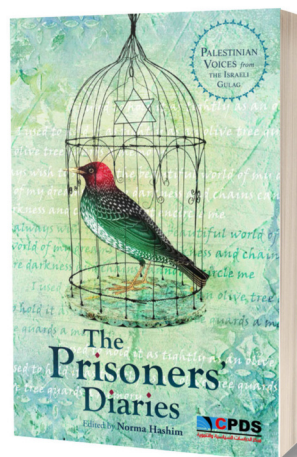
crimes by Israeli military courts, some of whom face cruel confinement for the remainder of their life on earth, and who have been further punished by being deprived of ever seeing those they love not at all, or on rare occasions, for brief tantalizing visits under dehumanizing conditions, through fogged up separation walls."

• **Richard Falk**, *Honorary Fellow at The International State Crime Initiative, professor emeritus of international law and practice at Princeton University, and United Nations*

• **Stephen Robert Sizer**, *Anglican vicar of Christ Church, Virginia Water, Surrey, England, writer, peace activist and freelance photographer*

"A humane, beautiful, valuable yet painful book. I ask all people of conscience to read it to learn more about the suffering of the Palestinian detainees in Israeli Occupation prisons."

• **Hana Shalabi**, *former hunger striker, Hasharon prison, Tel Aviv*



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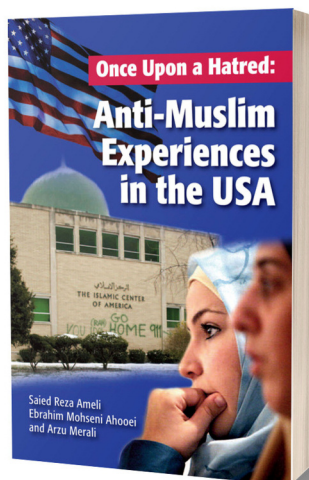
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Once Upon a Hatred: Anti-Muslim Experiences in The USA

Saied Reza Ameli, Ebrahim Mohseni Ahooei and Arzu Merali - (2013)

THE THIRD book in the IHRC Experiences of Hostility and Discrimination Project. *Once Upon A Hatred* charts the history of Muslims in the US, their current situation as targets of a gamut of discriminatory laws, and most importantly, the ideas and voices of Muslims themselves. These voices provide not only a moving picture of their experiences, but also a way to move forward for a society that seems trapped in a vicious cycle of anti-minority vilification and violence.



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Researching and documenting the impacts of Islamophobia on the Muslim community in the US is a much needed critical first step, which in due time should bring broader awareness to civil society institutions and policy makers on how best to remedy the effects of racism and to move toward reclaiming the public arena for voices that speak and practice affirmative inclusiveness. This book is one more brick in an international effort directed at a data driven analysis of Islamophobia and its profound consequences on Muslims and society at large.

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Dr. Hatem Bazian,
Director, Islamophobia Research and Documentation Project of the Center for Race and Gender, University of California, Berkeley.



DEUTSCHLAND, MUSLIME, GESELLSCHAFT UND STAATSBÜRGERSCHAFT (2011)

(2011)

DEUTSCHLAND, MUSLIME, GESELLSCHAFT UND STAATSBÜRGERSCHAFT: Erwartungen und Erfahrungen Muslimischer Organisationen ist Teil der Arbeit der Islamischen Menschenrechtskommission (IHRM) zum Thema "Muslime als Minderheiten" in Europa und Nordamerika. Der Fokus dieser Forschungsarbeit, der Blickwinkel von Organisationen der

Zivilgesellschaft, bietet einen Ausgangspunkt für weitere Studien, die sich wirklich im Gegensatz zu wahrgenommenen Erwartungen und Beiträgen direkt von Muslimen, als Individuen und Gemeinschaften, in Deutschland widmen

wollen.

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GERMANY, MUSLIMS, CIVIL SOCIETY AND CITIZENSHIP: Expectations and experiences of Muslim organisations

2011

IN 2007 – 08, Islamic Human Rights Commission (IHRC) undertook a survey of Muslim civil society organizations in Germany.

The aim was to assess according to their view, the priorities and concerns of Muslims in Germany as opposed to the way government and political discourse present Muslim communities.

This book is an analysis of the results of that survey by Margit Liebhart. Combined with an overview of existing work in the field, Liebhart highlights minority issues within the context of

Muslim-Germany in an effort to “assist those who wish to seek positive change in structuring minority-majority relations” in Germany and beyond.

Liebhart’s study demonstrates that Islamophobia is ever-present. Addressing it is hampered by State complicity, Muslim alienation both self-imposed and as a result of discrimination by the state, and with a lack of education and subsequent misunderstandings on the part of the non-Muslims accountable for this phenomenon in Germany.



Margit Liebhart

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Bibliographical Discourse Analysis: The Western Academic Perspective on Islam, Muslims and Islamic Countries (1949 – 2009)

Volumes 1 – 4 by Saied Reza Ameli

"The superbly researched work of Saeid Ameli is... particularly welcome at the present juncture. It is far more than a critical and statistical bibliography of publications and theses dealing with Islam and the Islamic world that have appeared between 1949 and 2009... All in all, an extremely useful and informative book, for which Ameli and his collaborators deserve our thanks."

– Hamid Algar, Professor Emeritus, University of California, Berkeley

Saied Reza Ameli's work *Bibliographical Discourse Analysis: The Western Academic Perspective on Islam, Muslims and Islamic Countries (1949 – 2009)* is a ground breaking critical analysis of Occidental Academic preoccupation with Islam and Muslims. These four volumes cover both the changes in interest within academia in

what is being studied, to the change in view of Islam and Muslims as the subject of study.

The work looks at articles, books, PhD and masters theses and dissertations that have been published over the past 60 years and that focus typically on the study of Islam or Muslims either globally or in a certain locality.

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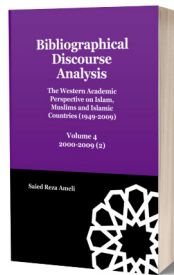
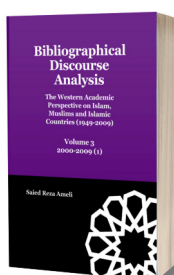
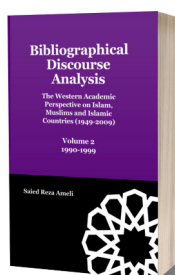
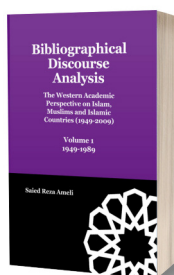
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France and the Hated Society: Muslim Experiences

(2012)

“**ISLAMOPHOBIA** in France is also a continuation of colonial and racist discourse, argues the Islamic Human Rights Commission in this insightful study of French political culture and attitudes.”

• **Liz Fekete**, *Institute of Race Relations*

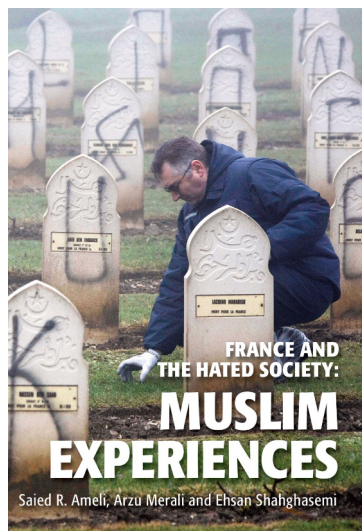
ABOUT THE BOOK

France and the Hated Society: Muslim Experiences, exposes the pervasive nature of Islamophobic discrimination in France. Survey results show that over 80% of Muslims in France have had such negative experiences. The highest figure, over 87%, reported seeing negative stereotypes of Muslims in the media.

Of the 29 categories of explicit and implicit forms of discrimination and hate respondents were asked about, 28 categories were reported by an alarming proportion of respondents (a minimum of 44% and maximum of 87%).

Solutions to such problems cannot be drawn

without considering the historical context behind such attitudes. The study considers how such acts are encouraged and legitimised, including discriminatory legislation resulting in social inequality and negative media representation of Muslims. A historical-cultural context is set out, charting French interaction with Islam and Muslims from the earliest days up to the present day, focusing on important historical turning points, such as the crusades; the expulsion of Muslims from the Iberian Peninsula in 1492; and the impact of French imperial ambition post-1789. The contemporary state of Muslims in France is studied, considering roles played by *laïcité*, multiculturalism, *communautarisme* and French republicanism on French self-perception. Issues relating to immigration, the Algerian War of Liberation, the demonization of refugees and the debate surrounding housing, unemployment and marginalisation are all considered.



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Getting the Message: The Recurrence of Hate Crimes in the UK

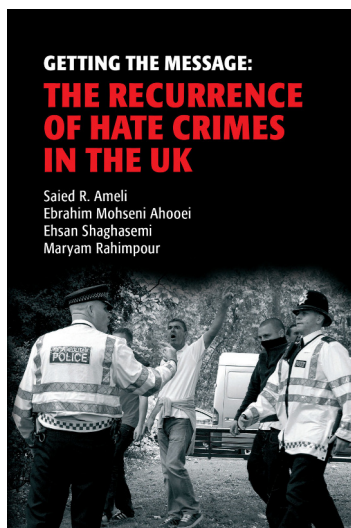
Saied Reza Merali, Ebrahim Mohseni Ahooei, Ehsan Shaghasemi,
Maryam Rahimpour (2011)

IHRC's inaugural study to its ongoing project investigating issues of hate crimes and discrimination as experienced by Muslims in the UK and Europe. The study gives special attention to the Islamophobic and racist motivations for such crimes and goes beyond merely looking at major criminal acts, such as murder and other forms of violence, and considers the environment in which such acts may be encouraged and legitimised. This includes factors such as discriminatory legislation resulting in social inequality in jobs, housing and social services, among other things, as well as negative media representation of Muslims.

A significant portion of the study is devoted to conceptualising and analysing the causes of hate crimes. This takes into account many considerations, including:

- Defining what is meant by the term 'hate crime'
- Categorisation of different types of prejudice
- Backgrounds of perpetrators and victims of hate crimes and factors which increase hatred
- Impacts of hate crimes on individuals, the community and the broader threat to society
- Hate crime legislation, its functionality and the challenges it faces
- The specific case of Muslims in Britain and the hate crimes they face

The survey group was given the opportunity to freely express their views regarding the causes of hate crime and what can be done to combat the problem. This provides a platform for hate crimes victims to voice their perceptions of the problem, which remain otherwise muted.



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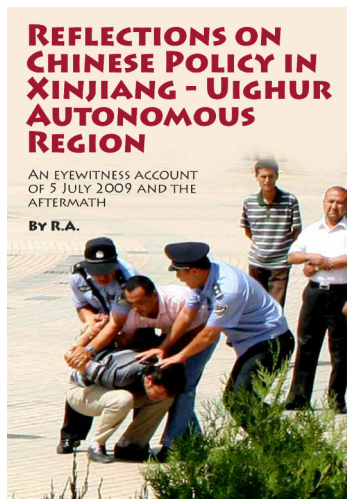
Reflections on Chinese Policy in Xinjiang-Uighur Autonomous Region

by "RA" - (2011)

PERIODICALLY, the issue of China's actions in its Northwestern province of Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region comes to the fore. The most recent of these incidents was in July 2009 when so-called riots in the region led to the arrests and detentions of many Uighurs as well as the deaths of many involved in what began as peaceful protests. Portrayed by the media in China and to some extent the West, as the violent rioting of extremist separatists,

rampaging and killing ethnic Han, the events have fallen away from scrutiny and a more truthful account given little opportunity to surface.

This essay recounts the run up to July 2009 in XUAR and provides an eyewitness account of the events and their aftermath. They are presented here in a bid to kick start the type of dialogue with the Chinese authorities needed to help China's anti-imperialist ambitions have better realisation within its borders.



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BROKEN PROMISES: Human Rights, Constitutionalism and Socio-economic Exclusion in Bahrain

by Omar F. Ahmed (2011)

IN 2009-10, Islamic Human Rights Commission (IHRC) undertook work pertinent to constitutionalism and democratic reform within Bahrain. The aim was to highlight the failure of the state to uphold its promises of reform from an absolute monarchy to a constitutional one.

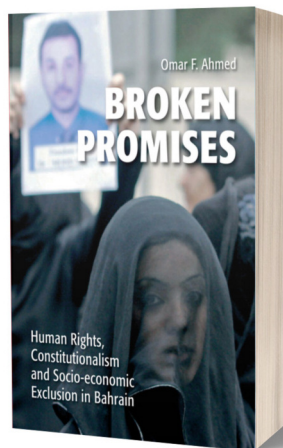
Omar F. Ahmed's report looks into the contentious issues of constitutionalism and democratic reform within Bahrain.

In the report, Ahmed argues that 'the reign of the current ruler, King Hamad al-Khalifa has represented a failure of constitutionalism and a resurgence of monarchical cronyism, institutionalised by state apparatus and enforced through brutal deployment of the security forces.' In doing so, Bahrain has been unsuccessful in preventing social-economic exclusion. The report discusses exclusion of the wider general population, in addition to the more

specifically targeted institutional discrimination against its Shia majority.

Additionally, the report presents the view that, linked with social exclusion, there is a continuing trend of human rights violations within the country, 'carried out by the Government and the country's state institutions, predominantly its security and intelligence services.' The abuses that have been emphasised in the report are, firstly, unwarranted restrictions on the freedom of expression, assembly and association. Secondly, using information obtained through human rights groups, the report accuses authorities of arbitrarily detaining opposition figures and human rights activists, and subjecting numerous prisoners to torture.

Whilst deeply critical of the Bahraini regime, the report puts forward recommendations as to how to move beyond the vicious cycle of repression and corruption.



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Yahudi Perspektifinden Anti-Siyonizm

Against Zionism: Turkish translation

Edited by Arzu Merali and Javad Sharaf - (2010)

THE TURKISH translation of "Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives" a compilation of papers presented at the 2006 IHRC conference is now available online.

Burada yayınlanan bildiriler, organizasyonunu İslami İnsan Hakları Komisyonu'nun (IHRC) ve NEDA'nın üstlendiği "Siyonizm'e Karşı Yahudi Perspektifleri Konferansı'nda", Londra Üniversitesi Doğu ve Afrika Çalışmaları Okulu (SOAS)'ın ev sahipliği ile 2 Temmuz 2006 tarihinde Brunei toplantı salonunda sunulmuştur. Tüm bildirilerin ses kayıtları "Against Zionism: Jewish Perspectives" adresinden online olarak dinlenebilir.

Yayıncılar, bu kitapçıkta bahsi geçen mevzuların, kritik bir düşüncenin sert eleştirilere maruz kaldığı ve marjinalliğe itildiği bir zamanda, verimli tartışmalara ve düşüncelere ilham vermesi umudunu taşımaktadırlar. Bu kitapçıkta çalışmaları yayımlananlar ortodoksundan sekülerine, sağcısından solcusuna geniş bir yelpazede birbirinden farklı özgeçmişlere sahip kimselerdir.

Umuyoruz ki bu çalışma, ezilenlerin dayanışması ve kritik düşünce yolculuğuna başlamak ve devam etmek için bir ilham olur.



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Europe's Shame: Anti-Muslim Hatred and the Roma of Bulgaria

Seyfeddin Kara (2010)

THIS REPORT looks at the situation of Roma communities in Bulgaria, and the discrimination they face.

FIELDWORK REPORT SUMMARY

The living conditions are dire and inhuman for the Roma community of Varna. In their neighbourhoods they mostly live in small shacks. The rooms consisted of either one or two beds that took up half of the room, with the families having to share these beds or sleep on the floor. The rest of the limited space was being used for eating, laundering and bathroom facilities. Many shacks have mice holes in some of the walls, and they mostly have no windows. In some shacks, there were

holes where windows should have been, with people having to use plastic, metal, or wood to protect them from the harsh weather conditions.

Most of the children do not go to school simply because their families cannot afford to pay the fees, buy books or cover other expenses. There is a high level of unemployment. Some of the local Roma claimed that they were victimized by companies who employed them but did not pay their salaries. It seems to be a widespread problem and security forces offer no help. As a result the youth prefer to search through rubbish and collect metal so that they can earn some money to help their families.



Anti-Muslim Hatred and the Roma of Bulgaria

Seyfeddin Kara



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Policing, Protest and Conflict: A Report into the Policing of the London Gaza Demonstrations 2008-09

Adam Majeed (2010)

POLICING, Protest and Conflict: A Report into the Policing of the London Gaza Demonstrations in 2008 – 2009, by Adam Majeed, is a response to the myriad of complaints received by the Islamic Human Rights Commission (IHRC) from demonstrators during the 22 Day War on Gaza. IHRC is no stranger to the problems of partisan policing and harassment of activists, and this report follows in the line of previous work, spanning a decade.

In some cases, the recommendations of IHRC have been adopted or at the very least, hotly debated. However, this report shows that there is still a long way to go.

REVIEW:

The Metropolitan Police is generally at its best when listening to its sternest critics.

That was the view of Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Grieve who led the Met's radical

and effective response to Lord Macpherson's stinging criticism at the conclusion of the Stephen Lawrence Inquiry. As Denis O'Connor, Chief Inspector of the Constabulary, makes clear in 'Adapting to Protest' the Met needs to reflect on its public order policing operations so as to revive a style of policing '... based on minimal force and anchored in public consent'. This robust and challenging IHRC report, 'Policing, Protest and Conflict: A Report into the Policing of the London Gaza Demonstrations in 2008 – 2009' is therefore precisely the kind of perspective the Met should engage with as it seeks to restore confidence in its unique tradition of public order policing in the capital.

• **Dr. Robert Lambert**
MBE, co-director, European Muslim Research Centre, and founder and former head, Muslim Contact Unit, Metropolitan Police Service.

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For Liberty?

The Impact of the French Ban on the Islamic Headscarf and Other Religious Symbols in Schools

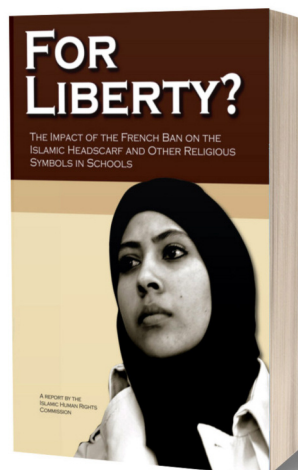
(2009)

BASED ON the Islamic Human Rights Commissions submissions to the Committee against the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, and the accounts collected and previously published by the Comité 15 Mars et Libertés (March 15 Freedom Committee), this book relays the depth of horror of both the experiences of those affected and their meaning in terms of women's rights.

FROM THE PREFACE:

This report started life as a submission to the [UN] CEDAW committee in January 2008 on concerns regarding the violation of CEDAW by the banning of hijab and other religious symbols in schools and its social impact on Muslim women across France. Limited by time and space, and parts of the CEDAW remit, many aspects of the research and fieldwork

undertaken in preparation for the report could not be presented. This report is an attempt to provide an accessible introduction to the effects of the ban on girls and women in France to a wider audience. The recommendations made to the CEDAW committee are appended for ease of reference in this report, and the text closely follows the presentation in the original submission. Added also are many extracts and case studies from the March 15th Liberation Committee's excellent book on the ban, *The headscarf ban in French schools: Truth unveiled* (2005). It is our hope that this report will provide some insight for those interested in the events chronicled herein, as to their effect, and their as yet unresearched potential effects – all negative – on the well-being, opportunities and future of an untold number of women in France.



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'The British Media and Muslim Representation: The Ideology of Demonisation'

by Saied R. Ameli, Syed Mohammed Marandi, Sameera Ahmed, Seyfeddin Kara and Arzu Merali (2007)

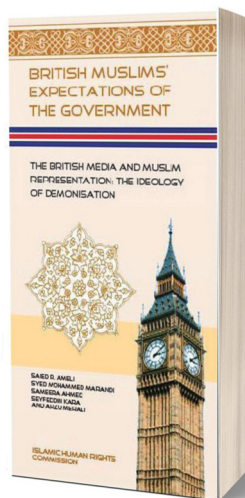
THE SIXTH volume in the landmark British Muslims' Expectations of the Government series is 'The British Media and Muslim Representation: The Ideology of Demonisation' by Saied R. Ameli, Syed Mohammed Marandi, Sameera Ahmed, Seyfeddin Kara and Arzu Merali. Published January 2007.

FROM THE FOREWORD:

As this war was fought, a battle over terminology was and is being ferociously waged on a daily basis, with British political language at odds with the representations on the screen: the government talks about Hizbullah aggression while TV screens show Israeli war crimes; the government talks about ending external interference in Lebanon and Gaza from Iran and Syria, and news bulletins show an Israeli onslaught on both besieged nations. A war between civil society and pro-Israeli elements

rages in the press, and the government has fallen into line with a societal reading of Islam and Muslims, wherever they are, as aggressive and aggressors, despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary such as in Lebanon and Gaza. The view is of Muslims as incorrigibly savage and beyond negotiations. Peace will come on Israeli, US and British terms, not those dictated by Muslims, or indeed, international law.

This polarisation of representations highlights the core of this volume's aim – to dissect how cultural and social policy is informed by media representation of Muslims – which as current events have shown is not always intentionally inimical – but which nevertheless has a huge part to play in shaping negative perception of Muslims and creating negative experiences for Muslims at individual and collective levels.



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Law and British Muslims: Domination of the Majority or Process of Balance?

by Saied R. Ameli, Beena Faridi, Karin Lindahl and Arzu Merali
(2006)

IHRC's fifth volume in the BMEG project looks at 'Law and British Muslims: Domination of the Majority or Process of Balance?'

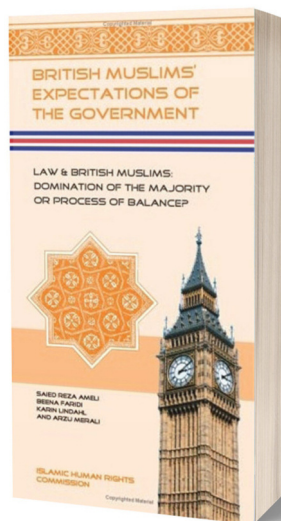
The report by Saied R. Ameli, Beena Faridi, Karin Lindahl and Arzu Merali for the Islamic Human Rights Commission was published on 18th May 2006 (ISBN 1-903718-32-5, pp 101)

FROM THE FOREWORD:

The institutionalising of prejudice is an increasingly recognised phenomenon, and the development of new laws as well as the reinterpretation of existing ones is a means of tackling establishment prejudice. But what of the law and legal system itself?... Can the legal system of any country be neutral as to religion, race and even gender? If so, in the United Kingdom are we almost there or is this a work in progress? By analysing

Muslim responses to questionnaires on law, this report seeks to answer some of these questions and to contextualise within current debates how Western systems of law represent minorities both in democratic terms and in service delivery.

At a time when Muslims in the UK are at the forefront of debate as to how laws and their implementation can not only discriminate against people but have actually targeted certain groups of people, this report challenges the government to look at its so-called radical legal reform programme in a way that actually reflects the growing unease amongst minorities. This unease is reflected not only in the perceptions but the experiences of peoples for whom the law in the UK is not colour, creed or gender blind.



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Hijab, Meaning, Identity, Otherization and Politics: British Muslim Women

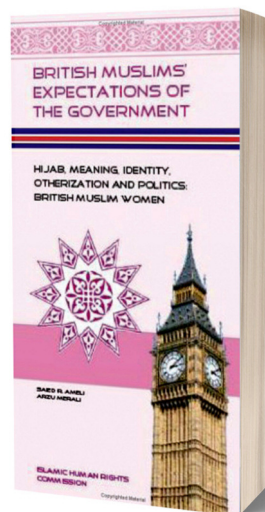
by Saied R. Ameli and Arzu Merali (2006)

THE FOURTH volume in the British Muslims' Expectations of the Government (BMEG) series is 'Hijab, Meaning, Identity, Otherization and Politics: British Muslim Women'. Written by Saied R. Ameli and Arzu Merali for the Islamic Human Rights Commission, the research unpacks the community's feelings and needs on this issue as well as unravelling some of the contradictions of a liberal / multicultural state on this issue.

FROM THE FOREWORD:

If we are to work towards a truly egalitarian society we need to have the courage

to problematise and interrogate our conceptions of each other and what motivates us. Whilst this is a two-way project, it is currently Muslims who feel the very public pressure to change their concepts and practices, rather than to be engaged as to why their concepts and practices are meaningful and important to them as individuals and communities, but also for society as a whole. Without that engagement any number of policies and measures whether forced through law or coerced through strategy will have little or no effect on the community it targets and will only serve to oppress those it claims to benefit.



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Secular or Islamic: What Schools do British Muslims Want for their Children?

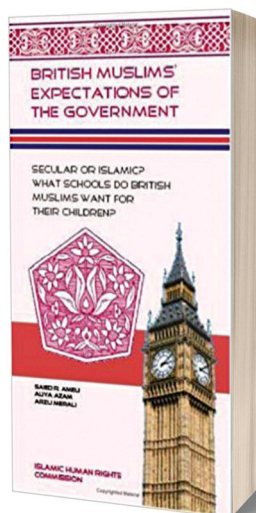
by Saied R. Ameli, Aliya Azam, and Arzu Merali (2005)

'**SECULAR** or Islamic? What Schools do British Muslims want for their Children?' is volume 3 in the British Muslims' Expectations of the Government Series (BMEG). It was published on 6th July 2005 (ISBN 1-903718-27-9, 82 pp) and was written by Saied R. Ameli, Aliya Azam, and Arzu Merali for the Islamic Human Rights Commission.

BACKGROUND

The report is the third in the series British Muslims' Expectations of the Government. It aims at producing a study of the reality behind detracting claims concerning faith-based schools and religion

and Islam on a broad scale. The report addresses the critique of faith schools, that they are divisive and foster fundamentalism, the issue of underachievement among Muslim students and the experience of bullying and isolation felt by Muslim students in schools. Additionally, the report seeks to extract the positive implications of parents' international human rights to determine their children's education. The issue of state-funding of Muslim schools, their benefits and current standing, as well as a comparison of funds allocated across a range of myriad other faith schools is also addressed.



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Social Discrimination: Across the Muslim Divide

by Saied R. Ameli, Manzur Elahi, and Arzu Merali (2004)

'SOCIAL Discrimination: Across the Muslim Divide' is the second report in the British Muslims' Expectations of the Government (BMEG) project. Written by Saied R. Ameli, Manzur Elahi, and Arzu Merali for the Islamic Human Rights Commission, it was published on 16th December 2004, (ISBN 1-903718-28-7, 74pp) and was launched at the House of Lords in the UK that month.

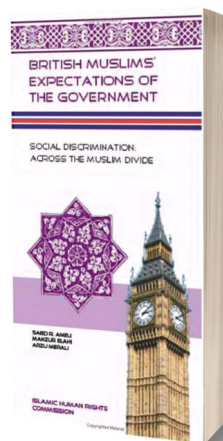
FROM THE FOREWORD

This report examines how such discourses create a sustained atmosphere that eventually leads to the normalisation and increase of discrimination in everyday life, and even in the operation of new policy and the creation of new law. It uses data on discrimination gathered as part of the British Muslims' Expectations of the Government project, as well as interviews and case studies to highlight not only the rise and pervasiveness of discrimination against Muslims, but its varying and worrying nature. From sophisticated and subtle

exclusion to violent attacks, discrimination is becoming part of the life landscape for Muslims in the UK.

Protecting minority group rights is not exceptional or antithetical to the rights of individuals or majority groups, yet the public debate that informs governmental policy portrays a basic tenet of human rights as exactly this. It is worth remembering that group rights became part of the lexicon of international rights speak in the wake of unimaginable genocide on European soil that started with societal discrimination, ultimately reflected in law, which justified itself on the difference of the minority it murdered en masse from the majority.

This, and not uniformity to majority norms, is the very basis of universal citizenship – and the British government should take heed of its own citizens' concerns when they say that they expect that their protection is affected by the recognition of their differences in culture, belief and practice from the majority society they live with. Not to do so is a human rights issue in itself.



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Publisher Islamic Human Rights Commission

Dual Citizenship: British, Islamic or Both? — Obligation, Recognition, Respect and Belonging (2004)

THE FIRST volume in the ground breaking British Muslims' Expectations of the Government (BMEG) project looked at Citizenship as not only a series of 'rights and obligations', but also comprising the 'need for recognition' and the 'emotional' elements. Without the latter two elements, discussions aimed at fostering civic values and dynamic, inclusive citizenship are in vain, and could lead to long term social fragmentation.

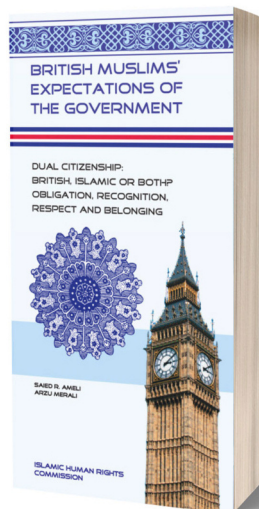
The report by Saied Reza Ameli and Arzu Merali for the Islamic Human Rights Commission *Dual Citizenship: British, Islamic or Both? — Obligation, Recognition, Respect and Belonging* was published in November 2004, and launched at the House of Lords in December that year.

FROM THE PREFACE:

Citizenship and the recognition of discrete individuals by the state is a key but often overlooked human rights issue. Whilst recent discussions in the

UK have focused on citizens – and in particular Muslim citizens – duties and roles vis-à-vis the state and wider society, the parallel issue of recognition as a citizen has been underplayed or forgotten. Imams must now pass examinations in English, families are encouraged to speak English at home, and new citizens swear oaths of allegiance to the Queen. With all these developments, comes a crucial question: in a world where human rights are supposed to be universal, if some rights are conditional for minorities, does this mean that some rights holders are more equal than others?

By raising the spectre of conditionality – duties before or in return for rights – recent debates sparked by media pundits and high ranking politicians have implicitly contested the idea of a 'universal citizen'. This undermines the very agent that the burgeoning body of human rights treaties and instruments developed over the last century sought to protect from the vagaries of the state.



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Pages 85 pages

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Quest for Unity and Other Works

Imam Achmad Cassiem - (2011)

THE QUEST for Unity and other selected works by South African activist and cleric, Imam Achmad Cassiem.

Cassiem is a veteran anti-apartheid activist who was imprisoned on Robben Island with Nelson Mandela for two terms, the first of which when he was only seventeen years old. An active member of the Pan African Congress, Cassiem headed Qibla, the Islamic movement that fought apartheid with the many comrades of different movements. In this republishing of some of his key works, published towards the end of the apartheid era, both his concerns for the dismantling of apartheid and the unity of humankind as exemplified through Muslim unity are expressed, using Islamic teachings and Qur'anic revelation.

In the main work, 'Quest for Unity' he lambasts the continuing divides amongst Muslims that see them, in his opinion, ally themselves with oppression, through disregard of Qur'anic injunctions to unite. Through the command for unity, Cassiem discusses the concept of justice and a just social order. In 'Ramadhan: The Month of

High Intensity Training' Cassiem provides not only access to certain regular supplications and their meaning, but also explains how changing oneself is the first and crucial step on the road to changing the world.

In 'The Intellectual Roots of the Oppressed: Islam's Triumph Over Apartheid' Cassiem argues that the end of the apartheid era is near and cites Islam as the 'lost property' of the Azanians and all oppressed peoples, drawing on his explanation of Islamic justice.

In 'Islam's Triumph Over Apartheid' Cassiem expands on the idea of Ummah. His explanation of the concept centre the Islamic community at the centre of the ongoing struggles against oppression in its many forms including racism, nationalism and dehumanisation.

This book is interesting for many different audiences: from the transnational activist, to the historian of the anti-apartheid struggle and other liberation struggles.

With struggles for liberation still ongoing around the world, Cassiem provides some context for Islamic activism within all of them.



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Tales of Mini Maryam & The Heroes (working title)

by Kosser Abdul Aziz (2026)

IN THESE six heart-warming stories, Maryam is joined by her friends, Zak and Saif. Together, they play dress up and pretend to be their favourite heroes – from superheroes and historical heroes to modern-day heroes from different languages and cultures.

Join Maryam for another shopping trip, only to be stopped in her tracks by web spinner Saif. Does she escape? The playful shujaas, Zak and Saif, are about to disrupt Mama's prayer. Can Maryam stop them? The alps won't leave Sammy the cat alone. Maryam warns them, but it's too late. The batalas are having a fabulous time playing in the rain, but soon it's time for prayer. Do they have their wudu? Our herojs visit a care home, where they must learn to be quiet, caring and respectful, especially with Uncle Habib. And at bedtime, kahraman Maryam forgets to read her bedtime duas. What's that lurking in the shadows?

Each relatable story ends with a question prompt for the reader, followed by an Islamic reminder – encouraging young readers to think,

reflect and learn along the way.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

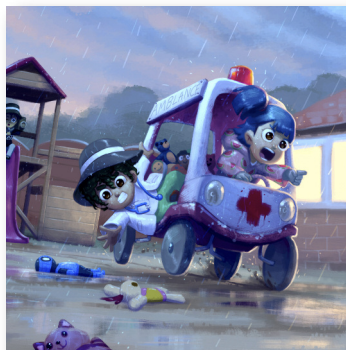
Kosser Abdul Aziz is an author, educator and community leader passionate about empowering women and children through education, creativity and storytelling.

Her debut best-selling children's book, *Tales of Mini Maryam*, was published in 2020 and went on to inspire a children's story-time TV show celebrating the work of emerging Muslim authors. She is also the author of *The Fabulous Five in Ramadan* and is developing several new titles for children and young people.

She lives in London with her family and three cats, and enjoys creating adventures with her six grandchildren, who affectionately call her 'Gangsta Granny.'

READERSHIP Children 6+

Also enjoyable and appealing for parents who read aloud to their children.



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I'm a Cypress Tree

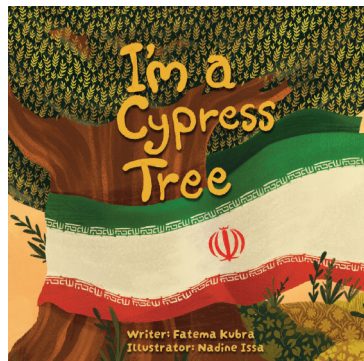
By Fatema Kubra (2026)

THE LATEST instalment in the 'Resilience Collection', I'm A Cypress Tree, looks at Iran*.

In I'm a Cypress Tree we learn all about the famous Cypress Tree of Yazd. Through its eyes we see and hear all about

Persian history and culture, from ancient times to the current era.

Perfect by itself or as part of the full collection, for youngsters trying to navigate world events and the associated upheavals.



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I'm An Olive Tree

By Muhammad Mahdi, illustrator Nadine Issa (2025)

IHRC Press's latest children's book 'I'm An Olive Tree' is now available to order. Recommended Age Range: 5 – 9 years old.

OVERVIEW

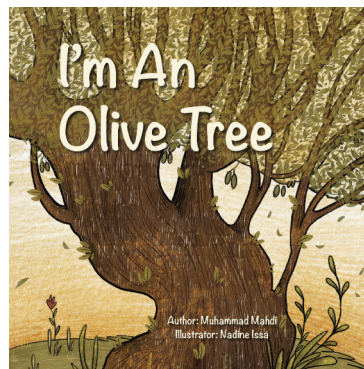
'I'm An Olive Tree' invites young readers to grow alongside the journey of Palestinian olive trees, blooming through the seasons, witnessing the land's beauty, wealth and hardships, and standing strong as they spread their seeds of resilience, no matter the challenges.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Nadine Issa is an illustrator from a special village called Malkeye in southern

Lebanon. Growing up, she was part of both Lebanese and Palestinian communities. Because of the lack of recognition of village borders, she has both Lebanese and Palestinian citizenships, and she feels proud to share in both cultures. Nadine's early life was shaped by stories of resilience and friendship from both sides, which inspire her art. Her illustrations often reflect themes of home, hope, and togetherness, showing how both Lebanese and Palestinian communities face challenges with strength and unity.

• All profits from the sale of this book will go to the IHRC's Trust's Palestine Appeal.



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I'm A Cedar Tree

By Fatema Zahra, illustrator Nadine Issa (2024)

OVERVIEW

'I'm A Cedar Tree' is a captivating journey through time, tracing the story of the majestic cedrus libani of Lebanon. From its roots in the era of ancient prophets to its enduring presence as a symbol of resilience and resistance, this enchanting tale weaves history, culture, and nature into a celebration of the monumental cedar tree. Packed with fascinating facts and powerful narrative, it invites young readers to discuss the strength of nature and the enduring spirit of its land and people.

CONTENTS

The Lebanon cedar tree is regarded as one of the most ancient trees in existence.

This book references the history of the tree and its region, and its symbolism in different cultures and religion. It

also describes properties of and the many uses of the tree's wood and leaves.

The tree is also referenced as a symbol of the resilience and resistance of the people of the region over millennia.

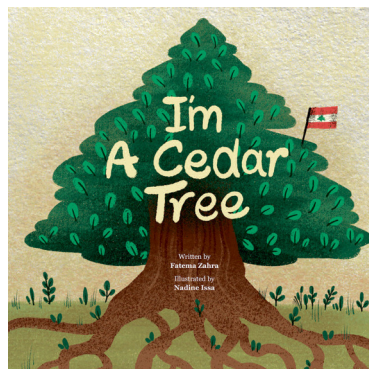
Each page has a 'Did you know?' section about the cedar tree referencing its history, its mentions in religious texts, botanical and more facts for children.

'I'm A Cedar Tree' delivers a powerful message for children about the strength of a tree that will always stand tall.

Children can participate in an activity as well to make a pledge here. They can print it out and display it as a reminder of their commitment to help the oppressed.

The book is accompanied by online activities, including a pledge, videos of books readings, and a lesson plan for teachers.

Author: Fatema Zahra
Illustrator: Nadine Issa



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Free Free Palestine

By Ali Akbar, illustrator Nadine Issa (2023)

OVERVIEW

Join Zara on a thrilling London adventure! When she stumbles upon a protest outside the Houses of Parliament, her curiosity leads her to a remarkable discovery about the Palestinian cause. With bravery and determination, Zara learns about freedom and fighting for what's right.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

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Tales of Mini Maryam

by Kosser Abdul Aziz (2020)

WHETHER playing make believe or running around in the park, whether eating, sneezing or talking to Abu on the phone, Maryam has something unique to say and also something special to learn. Join her on her adventures and learn alongside her the short duas and invocations of everyday Muslim life.

Kosser Abdul Aziz's debut is a collection of six lively short stories capturing the world of three year old mini Maryam. Reminding children of all ages to make Dua, be wonderful, stay amazed at the world and always seek to understand each day. With fantastic and engaging illustrations by Taha Abdalla. Read more after the page samples.

Welcome to the delightful world of 3 year old Maryam captured and delivered with 6 heart-warming short stories.

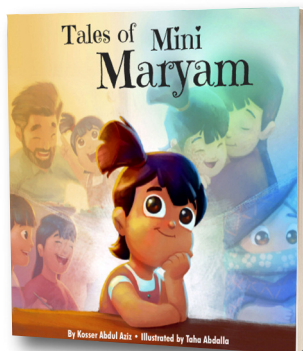
Maryam whizzes around her house collecting and loading almost everything on to her tiny push chair, only to be met with disaster but, is all at loss? No, for Maryam remembers the power of dua (prayer).

What do we say after we have sneezed? Why do people go on pilgrimage? Can mini Maryam pray with her family? What do we say before we eat? Curious mini Maryam soon finds out.

Join Maryam as she discovers when and why to read certain Islamic prayers and to also keep her family in check!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Kosser Abdul Aziz lives in London with her husband. In 2012, she gave up her career in Canary Wharf to home school their children and to continue to voluntarily run educational and recreational activities and events for her local community.



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“And what reason have you
that you should not fight in
the way of Allah and of the
weak among the men and the
women and the children, (of)
those who say: Our Lord!
cause us to go forth from this
town, whose people are
oppressors, and give us from
Thee a guardian and give us
from Thee a helper.”

[Qur'an 4:75]

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