Allah is the Creator

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Activity 1: Reading

The word, create, means to make.

One who creates is called a creator.

Allah is the creator of everything that is, was, or will be.

The word for creator in Arabic is Al-Khaaliq.

All praise and thanks are Allah’s, the (only) Originator [or the (Only) Creator] of the heavens and the earth, Who made the angels messengers with wings, two or three or four. He increases in creation what He wills. Verily, Allah is Able to do all things. (35:001)

He is Allah, the Creator, the Inventor of all things, the Bestower of forms. To Him belong the Best Names. All that is in the heavens and the earth glorify Him. And He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise. (59:024)

That is Allah, your Lord, the Creator of all things, Lâ ilâha illâ Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He). How then are you turning away (from Allah, by worshipping others instead of Him)? (40:52)

Allah is the Creator of all things, and He is the Wakil (Trustee, Disposer of affairs, Guardian) over all things.(39:62)

Such is Allah, your Lord! Lâ ilâha illa Huwa (none has the right to be worshipped but He), the Creator of all things. So worship Him (Alone), and He is the Wakil (Trustee, Disposer of affairs or Guardian) over all things.(6:102)

Verily, your Lord is the All-Knowing Creator.(15:86)

Activity 2: What do you remember?

1. What does the word create mean?
2. What is someone who creates called?
3. Who is the creator of everything?
4. How do we say the Creator in Arabic?
Activity 3: Color/Trace/Write

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Activity 4: Reading: What did Allah create?

Allah created everything.

Allah created the earth.

Allah created the trees and plants.

Allah created animals.

Allah created people.
Allah created the mountains.

Allah created the rivers

and the seas.

Allah created EVERYTHING!
Activity 5: Draw some things that Allah created.
Remember not to draw animals or people.
**Activity 6: Learn about Trees and Plants**

**Trees**

Trees are a type of plant. The main difference between trees and other plants is that trees are bigger—much bigger! When fully grown, a typical tree is much taller than a person. And a towering giant redwood tree can be taller than a 30-storey building, with a trunk as wide as a house.

Trees grow all over the world. Millions of them grow together in thick forests. There are also lots more trees growing in grasslands, parks, farms, gardens and even on city streets. Altogether, scientists have counted over 60,000 different species (types) of trees.

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In Arabic, tree is sha-ja-rah.

Read a poem about trees at:  
http://www.islam4kids.com/i4k/i4k.cfm?scn=poeems&pm=poeems/The_Good_Tree.htm
Plants

Everywhere you look, you will see plants—even if you live in a city. As well as the trees, grass and flowers that grow in the ground, there are things made from plants all around you. The jeans you wear, the books you read, wooden chairs and tables, headache pills, car tires and, of course, most of the food you eat, all come from plants. Plants are not just useful—they are important. We really could not live without them.

A PLANET FULL OF PLANTS

From space, the Earth’s continents look mainly green. That is because of the trillions and trillions of plants that cover most of the Earth’s land area, in forests, grasslands, farmers’ fields, parks and gardens. All these plants are essential to life on Earth, and make our planet work the way it does. It is because of plants that the Earth has an atmosphere we can breathe, food for animals to eat and soil for more plants to grow in. So what exactly are plants?

GREEN LIFE

A plant is a type of living thing. Unlike humans and other animals, most plants cannot run around, eat, chase each other or talk. They are simpler life forms that spend most of their lives in one place, rooted in the soil. Instead of having to look for food, they soak up gases from the air, water from the ground and light from the Sun, and use these to make food inside their leaves.

He has created the heavens without any pillars that you see, and has set on the earth firm mountains lest it should shake with you. And He has scattered therein moving (living) creatures of all kinds. And We send down water (rain) from the sky, and We cause (plants) of every goodly kind to grow therein.(31:10)
Plants come in a huge variety of shapes and sizes. They range from tiny rootless duckweed, less than 1 millimeter across, to sequoia trees, which grow up to 85 meters tall and are the biggest living things on Earth. In between are thousands of different species, or types, of plants, including mosses, ferns, seaweeds, pond plants, vines, cactuses, bushes and trees. Scientists have counted about 260,000 different plant types altogether.

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Activity 7: How many plants and trees can you name in 1 minute? Have Ummy or Abi write the names for you here:

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The word for plants in Arabic is na-baat
Activity 8: Go on a nature walk. Collect samples of plants and leaves and glue or paste here. If you cannot go on a walk, draw some pictures of plants and trees.

Allah created plants and trees.

Name: ____________________________    Date:_______________
Activity 9: Learn about animals.

The word “animal” might make you think of a furry creature with four legs and a tail. But all living creatures, from slugs and spiders to walruses and wildebeest, are animals. We humans are animals, too. There are more than two million species of animal. Only one per cent of these are vertebrates—animals with backbones. The rest are invertebrates—animals without backbones.

WHERE ANIMALS LIVE

Animals have found ways of living in nearly every part of our world. There are animals in very deep sea, animals that spend their whole lives underground and others that live in trees. Birds and insects fill the skies. A few types of invertebrates such as tiny mites and ticks manage to survive in the icy wastes of Antarctica and there are penguins, fish, seals and whales in the surrounding waters. Only the tops of very high mountains have no animal life.

FINDING FOOD

Within the animal kingdom there are two main ways of feeding. Many animals, including some water-living creatures, feed on plants. Others catch and eat other animals. Some animals such as bears—and humans—eat both plants and animals.
Activity 10: How many animals can you name in 1 minute.

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Activity 11: Draw some animal homes.
### Activity 12: Read about some animals names.

(From Microsoft Encarta)

#### Animal names

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Activity 13: Learning about The Creation of People

Abi Musa Al Sha’arai narrated that the Prophet (salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam) said: “Allah created Adam from a handful of dust taken from different lands, so the children of Adam have been created according to the composition of the land. Therefore from mankind we have white, red, black and yellow ones; we have good and evil, ease and sorrow, and what comes in between them.” (Sahih Al Bukhari)

Ibn Mas’ud (radiAllahu anhu) and other companions of the Prophet (salla Allahu alayhi wa sallam) said that Allah sent Jibreel (alayhi salaam) onto the earth to get Him clay there from. The earth said: “I seek refuge in Allah from your decreasing my quantity or disfiguring me.” So Jibreel (alayhi salaam) returned and did not take anything. He said: “My Lord, the land sought refuge with You and it was granted.” So Allah sent Mikhail (alayhi salaam) for the same purpose, and the land sought refuge with Allah and it was granted. So he went back and said to Allah what Jibreel (alayhi salaam) had said before him. Then Allah sent the Angel of Death, and the land sought refuge in Allah, the angel said: “I also seek refuge from Allah from returning without carrying out His command.” So he took clay from the face of the earth and mixed it. He did not take from one particular place, rather he took white, red and black clay (from different places). The Angel of Death ascended with it, and He (Allah) soaked the clay until it became sticky. So Allah shaped Adam into a human being, but he remained a figure of clay for forty years. When the time drew near to breathe the spirit into Adam, as Allah decreed, He commanded the angels: “When I breathe My spirit into him, prostrate before him. Allah breathed His spirit into Adam and when it reached his head Adam sneezed.” The angels said: “Say all praise belongs to Allah.” Adam repeated: “All praise belongs to Allah,” Allah said to him: “Your Lord has granted you mercy.” (Stories of the Prophets)
Thus was the creation of the first man, Adam, from whom we all come from.

Today, there are over 6 billion people living on earth.

Here is a quick look at a few of the countries/people of the world.

**United States**

The United States is made up of 50 individual states, including Alaska, to the north-west of Canada, and the Hawaiian Islands in the mid-Pacific Ocean.

People from the United States are called **Americans**.
**Italy**

Italy is a long peninsula in southern Europe that is shaped like a boot.

People from Italy are called **Italians**.

![Map of Italy](image1)

**Japan**

Japan is a country in the Pacific Ocean that is made up of four major islands. Japan is a rugged land of high mountains and deep valleys, with many small plains. It is also a volcanic country—the highest mountain, Fuji, is a dormant volcano. Japan also suffers from earthquakes.

People from Japan are called **Japanese**.

![Map of Japan](image2)
Egypt

The country of Egypt is in North Africa. It is one of the continent’s largest countries. The most important geographical feature is the River Nile, which runs from its source at Lake Victoria, through Uganda, Sudan and Egypt to the Mediterranean Sea.

People from Egypt are called Egyptians.

Brazil

Brazil is the largest country in South America and it occupies nearly one half of the continent.

People from Brazil are called Brazilians.
**Australia**

Australia is an island continent. It is also the flattest continent. People from Australia are called **Australian**.

1. Map of Australia

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2. Flag of Australia
Activity 14: How does Allah create something?

Allah tells us that when he creates something he simply says, Be! ﷺ

Verily, Our Word (Command) to a thing when We intend it, is only that We say to it: "Be!" – and it is. (16:40)

Activity 15: Listen to a narration about the beginning of creation

(From Tafsir ibn Kathir)

(Say (O Muhammad ): "Do you verily disbelieve in Him Who created the earth in two Days And you set up rivals (in worship) with Him That is the Lord of all that exists. He placed therein (i.e. the earth) firm mountains from above it, and He blessed it, and measured therein its sustenance (for its dwellers) in four Days equal (i.e. all these four 'days' were equal in the length of time) for all those who ask (about its creation). Then He Istawa ila the heaven when it was smoke, and said to it and to the earth: "Come both of you willingly or unwillingly." They both said: "We come willingly." Then He finished them (as) seven heavens in two Days and He made in each heaven its affair. And We adorned the nearest (lowest) heaven with lamps (stars) to be an adornment as well as to guard (from the devils by using them as missiles against the devils). Such is the decree of the Almighty, the Knower) (41:9-12).

These Ayat indicate that Allah started creation by creating earth, then He made heaven into seven heavens. This is how building usually starts, with the lower floors first and then the top floors, as the scholars of Tafsir reiterated, as we will come to know, Allah willing. Allah also said,

(Are you more difficult to create or is the heaven that He constructed He raised its height, and has perfected it. Its night He covers with darkness and its forenoon He brings out (with light). And the earth, after that, He spread it out. And brought forth there from its water and its pasture. And the mountains He has fixed firmly. (To be) a provision and benefit for you and your cattle) (79:27-33).

It is said that "Then" in the Ayah (2:29) relates only to the order of reciting the information being given, it does not relate to the order that the events being mentioned took place, this was reported from Ibn `Abbas by `Ali bin Abi Talhah.

Mujahid commented on Allah's statement,

(He it is Who created for you all that is on earth) "Allah created the earth before heaven, and when He created the earth, smoke burst out of it. This is why Allah said,
(Then He Istawa ila (turned towards) the heaven when it was smoke.) (41:11)

(And made them seven heavens) means, one above the other, while the ‘seven earths’ means, one below the other."

This Ayah testifies to the fact that the earth was created before heaven, as Allah has indicated in the Ayaat in Surat As-Sajdah.

Sahih Al-Bukhari records that when Ibn `Abbas was question about this matter, he said that the earth was created before heaven, and the earth was spread out only after the creation of the heaven. Several Tafsir scholars of old and recent times also said similarly, as we have elaborated on in the Tafsir of Surat An-Nazi`at (chapter 79). The result of that discussion is that the word Daha (translated above as "spread") is mentioned and explained in Allah’s statement,

(And the earth, after that, He spread it out. And brought forth there from its water and its pasture. And the mountains He has fixed firmly.) (79:30-32)

Therefore, Daha means that the earth's treasures were brought to its surface after finishing the job of creating whatever will reside on earth and heaven. When the earth became Daha, the water burst out to its surface and the various types, colors, shapes and kinds of plants grew. The stars started rotating along with the planets that rotate around them. And Allah knows best.

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