The Seerah
The life of Prophet Muhammad
peace and blessings of Allah be upon him

The Orphan Boy

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Stage 1-3
In the Name of Allah
Allah had saved the Kabah from Abraha and his army and the people of Makkah were safe again.
The leader of Makkah, Abdul-Muttalib had many children, one of them was called Abdullah.
Abdul-Muttalib loved Abdullah very much.
Soon after the army of Abraha had been killed, Abdullah set off on a long trip to make money for his family. He left his wife, Amina (Aa-me-na) behind in Makkah.
When Abdullah got to a place called Yathrib (Ya-th-rib), he became ill and sadly died.

When Abdul-Muttalib and Amina heard the news they became sad, as they both loved Abdullah very much.
Two months later, things changed as Allah blessed Amina with a baby son. After a long time of feeling sad Amina felt happy again, she asked Abdul-Muttalib to come and look at the baby.
Abdul-Muttalib came and looked at the baby, and was very happy, he took the baby to the Kabah and thanked Allah. He then chose a very special name for his grandson, he called him, Muhammad.
Abdul-Muttalib, loved his grandson and wanted the best things for him. He wanted his grandson to be a good boy so he sent him to live in the desert with a kind woman called Haleema.
Haleema lived away from the busy town of Makkah. It was a nice and quiet place. Where the children could play with farm animals, drink fresh milk and eat good food.
Abdul-Muttalib’s grandson grew up in the home of Haleema and was becoming a strong and kind boy. Then one day a scary thing happened.
The children were playing with Muhammad, peace be upon him, when a strange man came.

He came up to Muhammad, peace be upon him and opened his chest.
He then took out his heart and washed it with pure Zam-Zam water.
After he had cleaned it, he put it back into the young boy’s chest.
The other children were very scared and ran to Haleema, shouting, “Muhammad is dead!”
Haleema came running to see and found that the stranger had gone, but Muhammad, peace be upon him was looking a little pale.
The kind Haleema was worried and took the boy back to his grandfather and mother in Makkah.
Amina was happy to be with her son again and the young Muhammad, peace be upon him, was happy to be with his mother and grandfather.
Abdul-Muttalib and Amina decided to visit Yathrib.

So Abdul-Muttalib, Amina, her servant Baraka (Ba-ra-ka) and the young Muhammad, peace be upon him all set off to go to Yathrib.
Everyone enjoyed their stay in Yathrib, but soon it was time to go back to Makkah.

The visitors started their trip back home.
On the way Amina became ill. She became sicker and sicker until she finally died.
Muhammad, peace be upon him, the orphan boy had first lost his father, now his kind mother had died.
Life felt very sad for the orphan boy, but his gentle grandfather took him into his home and cared for him even more than before.
Glossary

**Orphan** – a child whose father has died.

**Servant** – to work for another person in their home, doing their housework for them.

**Stranger** – A person nobody knows.

**Yathrib** (*Ya-th-rib*) – The old name for Madeenah (*Ma-dee-na*). A town in Saudi Arabia.

**Zam-Zam** – A special spring where blessed water comes out from. It can help cure illnesses by the will of Allah.