



## Things You May Notice...

\*Please note that this discussion is based on the book, “How to Talk to Your Muslim Child about topics in the Ontario Ministry of Education’s Health Education Curriculum 2015”. Each section of the book is tailored to some of the discussions a certain age group may engage in, in public school. Each Maktab is responsible for when and if to bring these discussions to their students. [This article is suitable for 3rd and 4th Grades.](#)

Allah SWT is our Creator and knows what is best for us. Allah created boys and girls to be different, and He wants them to grow up and marry someone of the opposite gender. This helps families have children and continue to grow.

You may notice that there are some families that have two moms or two dads instead of one mom and one dad. These types of relationships are displeasing to Allah SWT, however, we must treat everyone with kindness, dignity, and respect.

Allah wants us to marry someone from the opposite gender, not the same gender. This means, men can only marry women, and women can only marry men. We learn these teachings from the Quran and the Sunnah of the Prophet Muhammad SAW. We obey Allah SWT because Allah knows what is best for us and He loves us. Therefore, a man cannot fall in love with a man, nor can a woman fall in love with a woman. This is known as homosexuality and in Islam it is considered Haraam (forbidden). People in the past, such as the people of Prophet Lut AS would practice homosexuality and eventually they were punished by Allah because of it.

Allah, our Creator, also knows which gender is best for us when He created us. If Allah created a girl, they are not and cannot be a boy, and if Allah created a boy, they are not and cannot be a girl. If you are a boy, your gender identity is male, and if you are a girl, your gender identity is female. This is how Allah created us and we cannot change that no matter what we do.

If someone does not follow Islam or goes against this rule, we can still be kind to them and treat them with respect. We should present our beliefs of following our Creator while maintaining respect, avoiding fights, and not belittling anyone. We want everyone to understand the truth, which is Islam.

May Allah allow us to always follow His commandments.  
Ameen!

**References:** [How to talk to your Muslim child about topics in the Ontario Ministry's Health Education Curriculum](#)