


Year 4 History Knowledge Organiser - Arabia & Islam

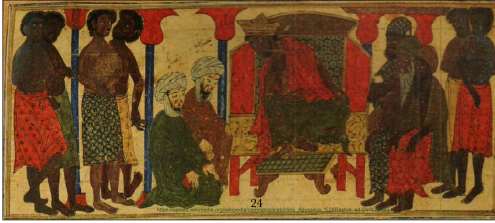
Makkah: a city in a desert
1. In 570, the Byzantine empire dominated the Mediterranean.
2. The Byzantines controlled all of Greece and Asia Minor, Egypt, Italy, much of Syria and a part of Spain.
3. Makkah is the sacred city of Arabia.
4. A new religion bursts into life in Arabia.
5. In the Kaaba (a large black temple), there are shrines dedicated to gods and spirits.


A new message
1. Muhammed was also called al'Amin (the trusted one).
2. Khadijah and Muhammed married, after a planned engagement.
3. They had six children: four girls and two boys, however only the girls lived.
4. Muhammed gave gifts to the poor and generous gifts to his foster mother.
5. Muhammed spent the night in a cave, high in Mount Hira (near Makkah) and received messages from God.
6. Muhammed shared messages with only a few and they practised the religion of Islam.
7. Muhammed started to preach to more people, but others struggled to understand it.
8. The Quraysh wanted to challenge Muhammed and his beliefs: the persecution of Muslims started.

Muhammed and Yathrib
1. Baby Muhammed was taken to the Kaaba by his grandfather, and thanks is given to the gods and spirits.
2. Women from tribes in Makkah often gave their babies to the Bedouin women to take care of them.
3. As a baby and a young child, Muhammed lived in the desert with his foster mother.
4. The Bedouin nomads made a living from working with animals.
5. When Muhammed was six, he returned to his mother but she died soon after he came home. His grandfather then took care of him.
6. When Muhammed was eight, he passed into the care of his uncle, Abu Talib (a merchant).
7. Muhammed learnt how to make his own money by learning about trade and caring for camels.
8. Muhammed shared messages from God with a few others. He had followers .
9. The number of Muslims in Yathrib grew again.
10. Muhammed settled in Yathrib and built a Muslim community there.
11. An open-air hall became the first mosque .
12. Yathrib was soon called the City of the Prophet .

Timeline	
610 AD	Muhammed spent the night in a cave, high in Mount Hira.
618 AD	Persecution grew. Muslims, and anyone who continued to protect Muhammed were stopped from doing things.
619 AD	Muhammed's wife and uncle died: persecution worsened.
620 AD	Muhammed was preaching to pilgrims in Makkah and six pilgrims from Yathrib were in the crowd.
622 AD	The number of Muslims in Yathrib grew.
629 AD	Muhammed and his followers entered Makkah peacefully.
630 AD	Muhammed marched to Makkah with 10,000 men and took over the city peacefully.

Important People
Muhammed: the prophet.
Khadijah: wife of Muhammed.
Allah: the God of Islam.
Abu Talib: Muhammed's uncle.
Aminah: Muhammed's mother.
Bilal: a freed slave who called the Muslims to prayer.

Christian King of Aksum Empire
<p>The king of Aksum refused to let the Makkans take the refugees away.</p> 

Vocabulary	
1. Kaaba	A large, black temple.
2. Bedouin	A tribal group that inhabit the desert.
3. Nomad	A group/person that travels from one place to another. They have no permanent home.
4. Persecution	Bad treatment based on race and religion.
5. Prophet	A person who speaks for God or a god.
6. Makkah	Islam's holiest city.
7. Pilgrims	People who journey to a sacred place for religious reasons.
8. Preaching	To deliver a sermon (a talk on a religious subject).
9. Followers	A person who admires and supports a particular person or set of ideas.
10. Scorn	Disrespect for someone or something.
11. Mosque	A Muslim place of worship.
12. Refugees	A person who is forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution or natural disaster.