

Investigating the Islamic Civilisation

When Muhammad (570 to 632 CE) was 40, he began to receive and pass on messages that he believed were the word of Allah, an Arabic word for ‘the god’. Islam grew first among a small group of his family and friends, but became the main religion of Arabia, spreading throughout the Middle East, Asia and North Africa.

One Great Adventure

Islam Drama Workshop

One Moment to Shine

The performance of Aladdin

One Unselfish Act

Macmillan Coffee morning and Autumn Fair.

Vocabulary Dozen

One **BIG** Problem
Are all good things always good for all people?

theory

an explanation for why things work or how things happen. They are not guesses or facts.

conductor

the artistic leader who directs an orchestra, choir or group of performers.

prosperity

the state of being wealthy or successful.

opaque

a material that does not allow light to travel through it.

dynamics

the variations in loudness and softness within a piece.

migration

the movement of people from one to another.

refraction

the bending of light as it travels from one material to another.

onslaught

a fierce or destructive attack.

conquer

to defeat by force.

redeemer

someone who buys back, rescues or saves.

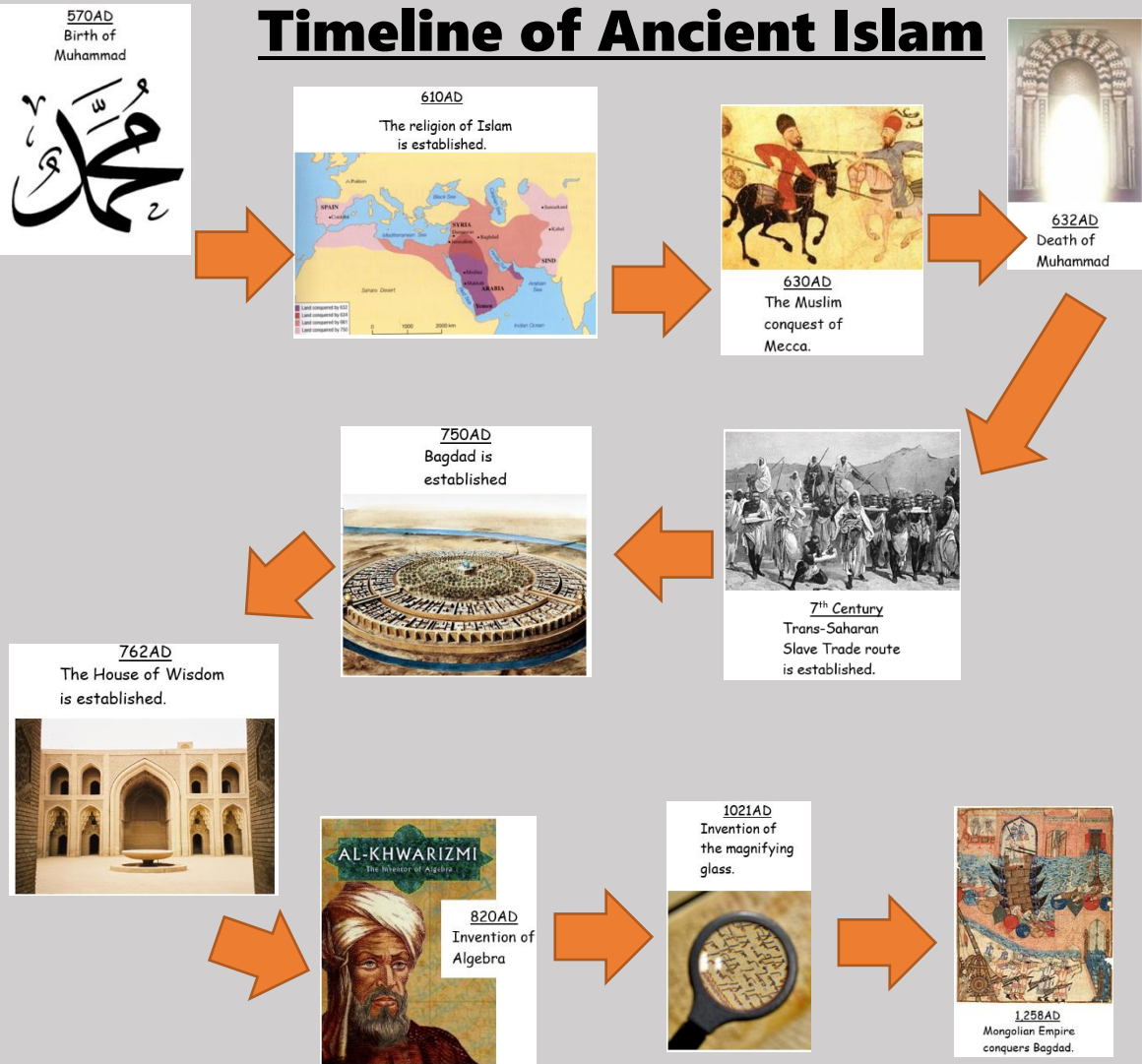
refugee

a person fleeing from their own country out of fear of persecution.

looming

something large, unfamiliar or scary getting closer.

Timeline of Ancient Islam



The Islamic Civilisation

POWER: The power and authority of Muhammad and then the different caliphates over the following centuries show what the priorities of the leaders were and how they used the power they had.

RELIGION: With the birth of Islam and the life of Muhammad, the practices, rules and beliefs of the early Muslims established the empire. This will have then helped lead to the opportunities they had to make the advancements they made.

CONFLICT: The spread of Islam was, at least in part, thanks to military conquest and also linked to taxation and occupation.

TRADE: The lives of the wealthy occupants of Bagdad benefited from trade with different areas from across the empire.

MIGRATION: The trading of slaves within the Islamic empire lead to up to 17 million people being removed from Africa.

One Wise Thought: “Let us pick up our books and our pens, they are the most powerful weapons.”

Courageous Advocate – Malala Yousafzai

Born in 1997, Malala grow up in Pakistan and has been an activist for female education rights since 11. She was the target of a failed assassination in 2012 (aged 15) and is the winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014 when only 17. As a Sunni Muslim, her religious belief has provided her with the bedrock for her activism.

