



The Noble Qur'an – Key Statistics

Qur'an is derived from the word "Qaraa".

The literal meanings of the word Qur'an are "written", "writing", "read", "recited". The Qur'an is the world's most read book.

- 1. The entire Qur'an was revealed over 23 years, 5 months and 14 days. The first revelation was received on the 27th day of the month of Ramadan via Jibreel (Gabriel).
- 2. The first surah to be revealed was Surah Alaq (96) and the last to be revealed was Surah-An-Nasr (110)
- 3. The Qur'an is in the Arabic language. During the period of revelation it did not have phonetics often seen in published Qur'ans (e.g. zer, zabar, pesh). Hajjaj bin Yusuf was born in the year 661. After gaining his education he became a powerful politician and Defence Minister against the Umayyad caliphate (Bani Umayyah). He introduced the phonetics into the published Qur'an and his partner Abu Aswad established the circular markers signifying the end of the aayah. This made reading the Qur'an easier. Even today, in certain Arab countries we find the Qur'an without the phonetics
- 4. Within the Qur'an there are 150,680 dots, 558 rukoo', 6,666 or 6,323 verses (aayah) and 114 chapters

For the convenience of non-Arabs the Qur'an has been divided into 7 sections, spread into 30 parts in total.

The Qur'an has 323,760 words. The word 'Allah' has been mentioned 2,698 times in the Qur'an, 'rehman' 57 times, 'raheem' 114 times.

Further study of the Qur'an can provide many gains for us. Please read the Qur'an for the purpose of understanding it and then applying it.