

# Islamic Calendar Months

Here are the names of the Islamic Calendar months. Essentially, you can use them as a cheat sheet or in the following manner.

## Matching Game:

- Print off each sheet and laminate.
- Cut out each square.
- Have your child match the squares properly – matching the Arabic text with the transliterated name and the month order (first, etc.)

## Alternative Matching Game (for beginners):

- You can also print two of each sheet and then make a matching game just with the arabic text for the month name. Essentially just cut out the Arabic text squares and laminate or glue to cardstock.
- Lay down all the Islamic month cards face-side down and have your child try to find the matching name.
- This may be an ideal start for a child who is not yet familiar with the month names – you can reinforce the names and their order by telling the child when they find a match.

## Alternative Matching Game:

- Print out each sheet and laminate.
- Cut out each square but only use the month name in Arabic text and in transliteration.
- Lay down all the Islamic month cards face-side down. Since there are a few, you might want to only lay down a smaller number (making sure you have all their matching cards). Have your child try to match the name in Arabic text with its transliteration.

1 <sup>st</sup> month	محرم	Muharram
2 <sup>nd</sup> month	صفر	Safar
3 <sup>rd</sup> month	ربيع الأول	Rabi' al-Awwal
4 <sup>th</sup> month	ربيع الثاني	Rabi' al-Thani
5 <sup>th</sup> month	جمادى الأول	Jumada al-Awwal

6 <sup>th</sup> month	جمادى الثاني	Jumada al-Thani
7 <sup>th</sup> month	رجب	Rajab
8 <sup>th</sup> month	شعبان	Sha'aban
9 <sup>th</sup> month	رمضان	Ramadan
10 <sup>th</sup> month	شوّال	Shawwal

11 <sup>th</sup> month	ذو القعدة	Dhu al-Qi'dah
12 <sup>th</sup> month	ذو الحجة	Dhu al-Hijjah