

Some Facts about Quran

- Allah defines His book as "O mankind! There has come to you an instruction from your Lord, a cure for whatever (disease) is in your hearts, a guidance and blessing for the true believers. Say: "It is the grace and mercy of Allah (that He has sent this Quran), so let the people rejoice over it, for it is better than (worldly riches) they are collecting". [10/57,58]
- Allah defines His glorious Quran as "If We had sent down this Quran on a mountain, you would have seen it humble itself and splitting from fear of Allah". [59/21]
- The Quran is the "word of God" exactly as revealed to prophet Muhammad (S.A.W).
- The revelation of Quran took place over the period of 23 years.
- According to Quran milk is the best drink and honey is the best food.
- The best month mentioned in Quran is Ramadan and best night is Laylatul Qadr (night of power, in which Quran was sent down for the humanity).
- Quran stressed about Salah (prayer) 700 times.
- Quran emphasized about Zakat/charity 150 times.
- Prophet Musa(Moses)is mentioned and discussed most in Quran.
- Word "Allah" is mentioned 2698 in Quran.
- According to Quran the first and ancient mosque is KAABA in Mecca.
- Surah (chapter) At Taubah [#9] is the only Surah in Quran which does not start with "Bismillah ir-Rahmaani ir- Raheem".

- 6 Surah (chapter) in Quran have their titled named after different prophets.
- According to Quran the Day of Judgment will be equal to fifty thousand year [70/4].
- The Quran has been described by 55 names and Qualities in several of its verses. These include Kitab, Kalaam, Noor, Huda, Rahmah, Furqaan, and so on.
- Interesting mathematical facts in Quran are the following
 - A) Word man appears 24 times and Women 24 times.
 - B) Word Dunia (name of this worldly life) is mentioned 115 times and Aakhirat (name of hereafter life) also mentioned 115 times.
 - C) Angles 88 times, Satan 88 times.
 - D) Life 145 times, death 145 times.
 - E) Eblees (king of devils) 11 times, seek refuge from Eblees 11 times.
 - F) Hardship 114 times and patience 114 times.
 - G) Months mentioned 12 times.
 - H) Day mentioned 365 times
 - I) Sea 32 times, Land 13 times, total
 $Sea+Land=32+13=45$, % of sea is 71.111, % of Land is 28.888, therefore:
 $\%sea+\%land=100.0$. Modern science has only recent proven that waters covers 71.11% of earth, while the land covers 28,889%. Is this a coincidence?

Some scientific facts in the Quran:

a) Origin of Life:

Water is essential for all living things, we all know that water is vital for life, but Quran makes a very unusual claim. **“We made every living thing from water, Will they not believe? [21/30].** In this verse, water is pointed out as the origin of life. Now science tells us all living things are made of cells, and cells are mostly made of water. The fact that living things consists mostly of water was discovered only after the invention of microscope. In the desert of Arabia, the last thing someone would have guessed is that life came from water.

b) Iron :

Iron is not natural to earth; it did not form on earth but came down to earth from outer space. Scientist has found that billions of years ago the earth was struck by meteorites. These meteorites were carrying iron from distant stars which had exploded. Quran says the following on the origin of iron. **“We sent down Iron with its great inherent strength and its many benefits for humankind” [57/25].** Allah uses the word ‘sent down’ for iron. It is clear from this verse that iron is not an earthly material, but was sent down for the benefit of the Humanity.

c) Sky's protection:

The sky plays a crucial role in protecting the earth. The sky protects the earth from the lethal rays of the sun. If the sky did not exist then the sun's radiation would have killed off all life on earth.

It also acts like a blanket wrapped around the earth, to protect it from the freezing cold of space. The temperature just above the sky is approximately -270°C. If this temperature was to reach earth then the planet would freeze over instantly. The sky also protects life on earth by warming the surface through heat retention (greenhouse effect), and reducing temperature extremes between day and night. These are some of the many protective functions of the sky.

The Quran asks us to consider the sky in the following verse:

"WE MADE THE SKY A PROTECTIVE CEILING. AND YET THEY ARE TURNING AWAY FROM OUR SIGNS!" [21:32]

The Quran points to the sky's protection as a sign of Allah. The protective properties of the sky were discovered by scientific research conducted in the 20th century.

d) Mountains:

The Quran draws our attention to a very important characteristic of mountains:

“DID WE NOT MAKE THE EARTH A RESTING PLACE? AND THE MOUNTAINS AS STAKES?”[78:6-7]

The Quran indicates that mountains have deep roots by using the word stakes to describe them. In fact, mountains do have deep roots, and the word stakes is an accurate description for them. A book titled 'Earth' by Geophysicist Frank Press explains that mountains are like stakes, and are buried deep under the surface of the earth. Mount Everest, the height of which is approximately 9 km above ground, has a root deeper than 125 km.

The fact that mountains have deep 'stake' like roots was not known until after the development of the theory of plate tectonics in the beginning of the 20th century.

E) Pain receptors:

For a long time it was thought that the sense of feeling and pain was dependent to the brain, however, it has been discovered that there are pain receptors present in the skin. Without these pain receptors, a person would not be able to feel pain. Consider the following verse on pain:

“WE SHALL SEND THOSE WHO REJECT OUR REVELATIONS TO THE (HELL) FIRE. WHEN THEIR SKINS HAVE BEEN BURNED AWAY, WE SHALL REPLACE THEM WITH NEW ONES SO THAT MAY TO FEEL THE PAIN: GOD IS ALMIGHTY, ALL-WISE.”[4:56]

Allah tells the people who reject his message that when they are in Hell and their skins are burnt off (so they can't feel any pain), he will give them new skins so that they continue to feel the pain. The Quran makes it clear that pain is dependent upon the skin. The discovery of pain receptors in the skin is a fairly recent discovery for Biology.

Just like the Quran contains knowledge about the natural world, it also contains information about the inner dimensions of our souls. It relates to our feelings, wants and needs. The Quran informs us that we have a purpose in life, and that following Allah's guidance will lead us to inner peace in this life, and Paradise in the hereafter. And that rejection of his message will lead to depression in this life and Hellfire after death.

“WE SHALL SHOW THEM OUR SIGNS IN THE UNIVERSE AND WITHIN THEMSELVES, UNTIL IT BECOMES CLEAR TO THEM THAT THIS IS THE TRUTH. IS IT NOT ENOUGH THAT YOUR LORD IS THE WITNESS OF ALL THINGS?”[QURAN 41:53]