

Qaswa looked at the screen and couldn't believe his eyes. There in front of him on Safiya's computer; it said Qur'an City.

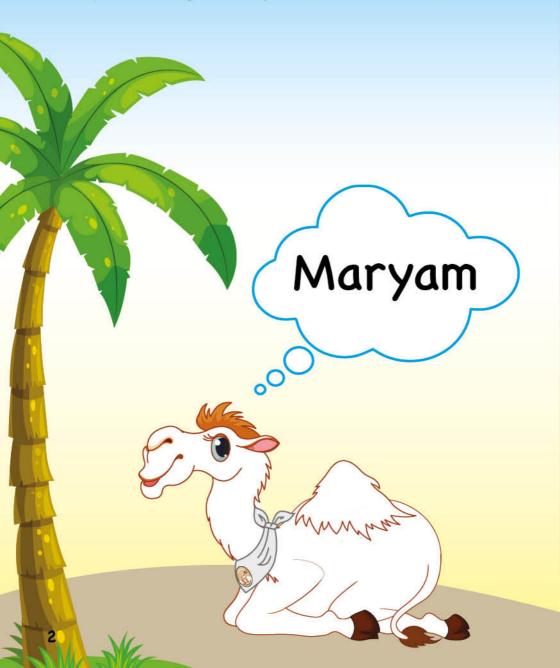
He sat down and wondered "What is Qur'an City?"

As Safiya clicked on the screen, Qaswa looked over her shoulder and saw that it was a city with 114 buildings. They were of different heights. Some were short and some were very tall.

A pretty pink building in the corner of the city caught his eye. He tried to read the name. It said MARYAM.



Qaswa sat down under the palm tree and closed his eyes thinking of the pretty name – Maryam.



And then he found himself at the door of Qur'an City. He knocked on the door. A kind looking man came out "Assalamu 'alaykum Qaswa. Welcome to Qur'an City"

"Wa 'alaykas Salaam" said Qaswa "May I enter?"

"By the way my name is Hizqeel and I will be your guide. But before you can enter you have to do wudhoo and then say Bismillahir Rahmaanir Raheem"



Qaswa did wudhoo at the special camel bathroom and said Bismillahir Rahmaanir Raheem.



He entered the beautiful brown doors and saw the most beautiful sight ever. There were angels everywhere and every building seemed to smile at him and say "Come to me"

Hizqeel showed him the city map and said "Where would you like to go first?"

"The pretty pink building called Maryam" said Qaswa



Hizqeel led the way. Qaswa looked around him. The roads had signs which said M14 NETWORK. They passed Kingdom Place and went through a large area called Huruful Muqattiaat.

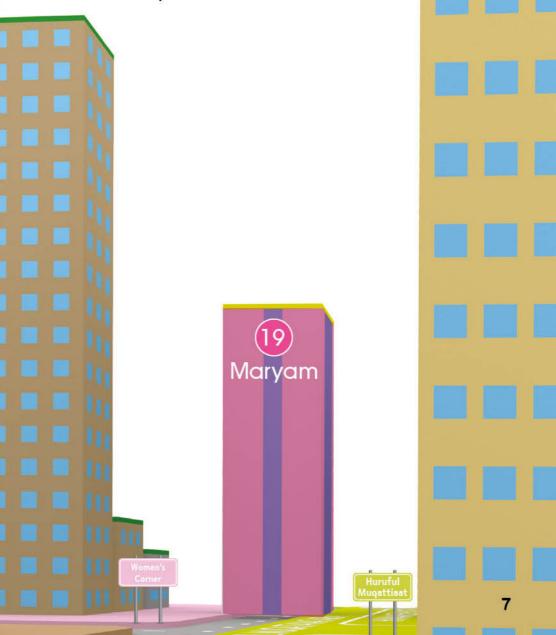
They came across a section called HAWAMEEM. The buildings shone like jewels and there was a beautiful smell coming from them. "I wonder what these are?" he thought to himself.



Just then Hizqeel said "Here we are -Suratu Maryam building"

"It's No 19 and is in between women's corner and

Huruful Muqattiaat"



Qaswa couldn't wait to explore building No 19.

He looked at the sign outside and it showed that there were 7 floors.



### FIRST FLOOR

Qaswa entered the first floor. He was transported to a temple in Jerusalem.

An old man with white hair and a white beard was praying to God with tears streaming down his cheeks. There was an angel saying something to the old man who looked so shocked.
"Are you all right?" Qaswa asked

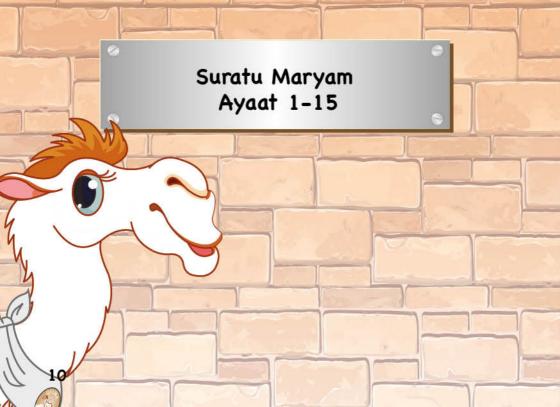
The old man didn't answer. He made a sign asking Qaswa to do tasbeeh.



Qaswa noticed a plaque on the wall. It had ayaat 1-15 of the Qur'an. The old man was Zakariyya who was just told by the angel that Allah had answered his prayers and he was to have a son called Yahya.

Qaswa thought of all the things that he thought were impossible that he would pray for when he got home. He wanted to know more about the Qur'an, be good at his school work and not be stubborn.

Suddenly a light flashed saying it was time to go to the second floor. Qaswa walked in the direction of the arrow and found himself on another floor.



### SECOND FLOOR

This was a desert and there was one date tree. He walked to the date tree and saw the prettiest young woman he had ever seen in his life. He knew this was Sayyida Maryam.

Qaswa could see that she was going to have a baby. She shook the date palm and dates fell. He heard a voice telling her to drink water from the stream and then before he knew it she had a baby in her arms. His face shone like the moon.

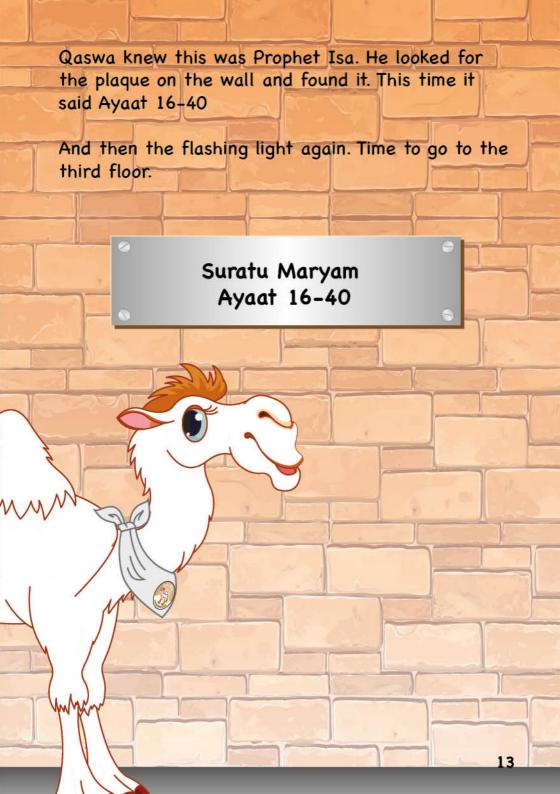
Qaswa strained his neck to see the baby.



He followed Sayyida Maryam and the baby walking towards a town.

Lots of people came to her and were asking lots of questions. He saw her point at the baby and heard the baby say he was a prophet who was given a book and he had to pray, give zakaa and had to be good to his mother.



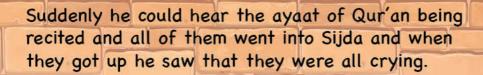


### THIRD FLOOR

There were loads of people who looked awesome. It was as though they had light coming from them. Qaswa just wanted to stare at them. He closed his eyes and said "Ya Allah! Let me see the Imam of my time for he must be like all these people".

Hizqeel was there too. He introduced Qaswa to Prophet Ibraheem, Prophet Musa, Prophet Harun, Prophet Ismail & Prophet Idrees. They were so many more there.





"Why are they sad?" he asked Hizqeel.
"They are not sad" "This happens when you understand the truth and love God". "They are tears of love of God" Hizqeel said.

On the wall the plaque said ayaat 41-58
And then the flashing light again

Suratu Maryam Ayaat 41–58



## **FOURTH FLOOR**

Qaswa entered a dark room. He was scared. There were people who were shouting and being mean to each other. There were musallas, tasbees and Qur'an in a corner which had cobwebs all over them. No one had used them for a long time. He looked for Hizqeel to help him come out of this floor. He didn't like it. Then he saw a door and it said in big writing TAWBA. His mummy had told him that when you do something wrong, you say sorry, put it right and promise not to do it again.



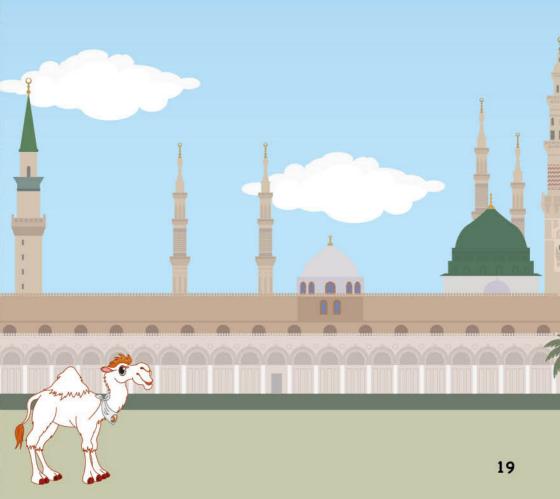
Qaswa nudged the door open and said 'Wow' – There was a beautiful garden with the most delicious of fruits everywhere. It felt so peaceful. Qaswa wanted to stay here and never leave. He thought of all the naughty things he had done. 'This is what happens when you do tawba".'Maybe I should go home and tell everyone about tawba and then come back" he thought.





### FIFTH FLOOR

He was in Madina. He could see the green dome of the mosque of the Prophet. He walked in and in a corner saw an awesome man who looked like the other Prophets he had seen. He looked sad. Tears fell down from Qaswa's eyes.



Just then the most amazing angel came. He was talking to the Prophet telling him that he could only come and tell him about the Qur'an when Allah told him and to be patient. The Prophet started smiling. Qaswa thought about all the times when he wanted things now, now, now....

He made a promise to be more patient.





### SIXTH FLOOR

This was the scariest floor of all. It was dark and horrible. There were people who were on their knees crying. Hizqeel patted Qaswa and said these are people who used to make fun of the Prophet and his followers for being good. They thought that they could do bad things and be mean to people and not be responsible for them. They did not believe that Allah is watching all the time and everything we do is recorded.

Some of them used to say that we have everything we want in the world so Allah will give it to us all the time even after we die even if we got it by





Qaswa wanted to leave this floor as quickly as possible. There was a door in the corner that said ESCAPE DOOR FOR THOSE WHO DO GOOD. Qaswa ran to the door and opened it. He hadn't even looked at the plaque on the wall to see the ayaat so he asked Hizqeel who said it was ayaat 66-95. Qaswa wondered how Hizqeel appeared whenever he needed him

Suratu Maryam Ayaat 66-95

And then the flashing light again



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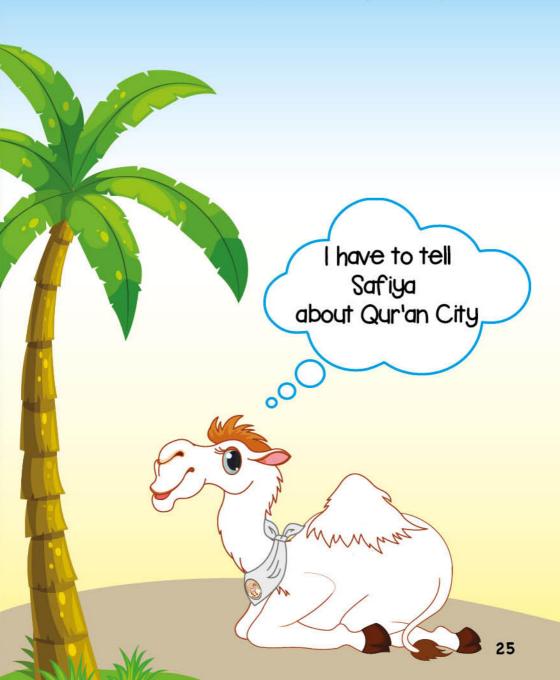
### SEVENTH FLOOR

The most incredible sight. Qaswa saw a Qur'an from which light was coming out reaching all corners of the universe. O MY GOODNESS! He said. There were hearts floating everywhere like bubbles. Each had a name of Allah on it and the name of the Ahlulbayt. Everytime Qaswa touched a bubble it felt like his heart loved Allah and the Ahlulbayt more.

I will always read and follow the Qur'an - he promised himself.



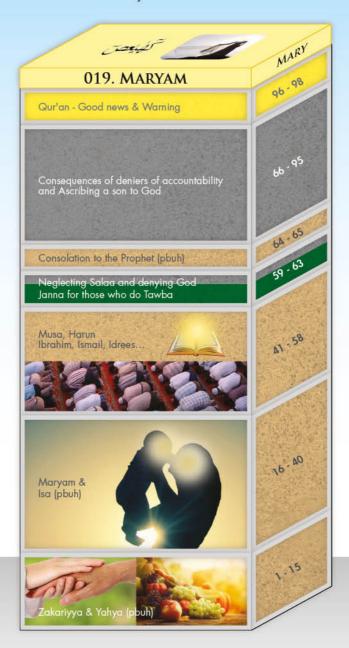
Qaswa's eyes opened and he was under the palm tree. He couldn't wait to tell Safiya about his adventure to Quran City and visiting Building No 19.



Love of Allah & the Ahlulbayt instilled by Divinity and the Qur'an a giver of good news and a warning.
Consequences of denying accountability and ascribing a son to Allah.
A direct address to the Prophet from Jibraail when he was anxious because of a lull in revelation.
Consequences of those who neglected salaa and followed base desires and a description of Janna as the reward for those who repented, believed and did good.
Prophets Ibraheem, Musa, Ismaail, Idris and others from the descendants of Adam, Nuh, Ibraheem & Israail (pbuh) – all had one characteristic in common; when the ayaat of the Rahmaan were recited, they did sajda and wept (they were moved by the ayaat).
The story of Sayyida Maryam and the miraculous birth of Prophet Isa and his reality.
The dua of Prophet Zakariyya and the miraculous birth of Prophet Yahya (pbuh).

# ~ SURATU MARYAM (19) ~

## 98 Ayaat - Makki



### Maryam - Mary



# STARTS WITH

In the last few ayaat, Allah says the purpose of this sura is to give 'glad tidings and warnings', and this aim has been followed in the beautiful form of the story of the lives of the Prophets beginning with Prophet Zakariyya...

Maryam is the only woman in the Qur'an who is mentioned by name. (34x).

Ja'fer Al Tayyar recited Ayaat 1-40 in the court of King Najashi of Abyssinia when he called the Muslims to his court upon the extradition request of the Quraysh.

#### BENEFITS OF RECITATION

- Safe pregnancy
- Increase in life, wealth and children
- Safety from thieves

#### LOCATION IN QUR'AN CITY



#### Chronological Revelation Order

Early Makki

96 68 73 74 1 111 81 87 92 89 93 94 103 100 108 102 107 109 105 113 114 112 53 80 97 91 85 95 106 101

Middle Makki

75 104 77 50 90 86 54 38 7 72 36 25 35 19 20 56 26 27 28 17 10 11 12 15 6 37 31 34 39 =

Late Makki

40 41 42 43 44 45 46 51 88 18 16 71 14 21 23 32 52 67 69 70 78 79 82 84 30 29 83 ---Madani

8 3 33 60 4 99 57 47 13 55 76 65 98 59 110 24 22 63 58 49 66 62 64 61 48 5 9 ---

#### SELECTED AYAAT

## قَالَ رَبِّ إِنِي وَهَنَ الْعَظْمُ مِنِي وَاشْتَعَلَ الرَّ أَسُ شَيْبًا وَلَمْ أَكُنُ بِدُعَائِكَ رَبِّ شَقِيًّا

He said: My Lord! surely my bones are weakened and my head flares with old age, and, my Lord! I have never been unsuccessful in my prayer to You. 19:4

# قَالَ إِنِّي عَبُنُ اللهِ أَتَا نِيَ الْكِتَابَ وَجَعَلَنِي نَبِيًّا

He said: Surely I am a servant of Allah; He has given me the Book and made me a prophet. 19:30

# ٱۅڵۼۣۧڰٙٵڷۜٙۯؚڽڹٙٲڹٛۼۄؘٵۺ۠ۼۼڵؽۿۄؙ؈ٵڷڹۜؠؚؾۣؽڝؙۮ۠؆ۣؽۜۊٲۮڡۜۯٷۺۜڹٛػڡٛڵؿٵڡؘۼٮ۫۠ۅۅٟۅڝؗۮ۠؆ۣؽۜۊٳڹٛۯٳۿۑڝٙ ۅٙٳۺۯٙٳۧؿڽڶۅٷؚۺۜؽۿۮؽؿٵۅٙاجٛؾؠؽڹٵۧٛٳڎٳڷؙؾؙڵ؏ڶؽۿۄؙٳؽٵڞٵڵڗٞڂۻڹڿڗ۠ۅٵڛڿۜۮٵۅڽٛڮڲؾؖٵ

These are they on whom Allah bestowed favors, from among the prophets of the progeny of Adam, and of those whom We carried with Nuh, and of the progeny of Ibrahim and Israel, and of those whom We guided and chose; when the communications of the Beneficent Allah were recited to them, they fell down in prostration and wept. 19:58

## إِنَّ الَّذِينَ أَمَّنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ سَيَجْعَلُ هَكُمُ الرَّحْمَٰنُ وُدًّا

Surely (as for) those who believe and do good deeds for them will Allah bring about love. 19:96

# فَإِنَّمَا يَسَّرُنَاهُ بِلِسَانِكَ لِتُبَشِّرَ بِعِ الْمُتَّقِينَ وَتُنْوَى بِعِ قَوْمًا للَّا

So We have only made it easy in your tongue that you may give good news thereby to those who guard (against evil) and warn thereby a vehemently contentious people.

19:97

## Colour in the Suratu Maryam Building.

019. Maryam	MARY 96-98
Qur'an - Good news & Warning	96
Consequences of deniers of accountability and Ascribing a son to God	66 <sup>95</sup>
Consolation to the Prophet (pbuh)	64 - 65 63
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Musa, Harun Ibrahim, Ismail, Idrees	41 - 58
Maryam & Isa (pbuh)	70 - 40
Zakariyya & Yahya (pbuh)	1-15

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