



LADYFIZZA
ANNUAL QURAN
COMPETITION

JUNE 17TH - 19TH

— **2022** —

HIFZ | TAFSIR | OPEN RECITATION
INFORMATION PACK



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Introduction

The competition is named after Lady Fizza (AS) who was well known as the woman who only spoke verses of Quran.

Through the competition we aim to help participants and observers alike build a relationship with the Quran.

Whether memorising chapters, improving recitation, discussing the verses through tafseer or even just by watching others, we hope children, youth and adults in our community will further develop a love of the book.

The competition will take place in Birmingham from the 17th - 19th of June 2022 and will provide an opportunity for a range of individuals to participate. The competition will be split into three categories; Hifz, Tafseer and Open Recitation.

Important Dates and Registration Fees

Registration Fees (non-refundable): Under 16's £5 per category
16+ £10 per category

Registration is open until 18th March 2022, 23:59 hrs

Cancellation deadline: 17th April 2022, 23:59 hrs

Any cancellations or drop-outs after this date will be subject to a £10 cancellation fee.

Competition dates: 17th June 2022 to 19th June 2022

Closing ceremony and awards: 19th June 2022

Register at www.lfqc.uk

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Age and Recitation Categories

- 5-7yrs – Open Recitation and Hifz
- 8-11yrs – Open Recitation, Hifz and Tafseer
- 12-15yrs – Open Recitation, Hifz and Tafseer
- 16+yrs – Open Recitation, Hifz and Tafseer*

* *If there are enough applications for 16-21yrs Tafseer, a new category will be created and participants will be notified before the cancellation date.*

Open Quran Recitation:

Under 16

Participants will have been given chapters or verses to prepare prior to the competition. On the day of the competition, participants will be asked to recite either a selection or the multiple chapters that they have prepared. For smaller chapters, they may be asked to recite the entire chapter. The selections will be randomly chosen on the day.

16+

The participant will be required to recite a selection from any part of the Holy Qur'an which has been randomly selected. Prior to this, the participant would be unaware of the sections they will be reciting. Depending on the speed and quality of the recitation the judges will decide how much the participant would recite, up to a maximum of 2 pages (Uthman Taha script).

Hifz (All Ages):

The participant is expected to memorise **all** of the chapters or verses given. On the day, the participant will be asked to recite from separate areas from anywhere in their hifz schedule. This may not be from the beginning of the chapter. For smaller chapters, participants may be expected to complete recitation of the entire chapter/s. The judges would initiate by reciting a verse or the end of a previous verse, the participant is then expected to continue.

The Chapters and verses for Hifz and Open Recitation can be found in the [competition questions section](#) on page 8.

Tafseer (all ages):

Participants will be given verses or a small chapter to research and prepare for in advance. They are able to use any reference material to prepare as long as they are able to quote the source of their research if asked. Recommended tafseer references are provided later in this information pack.

Tafseer 8-11yrs

On the day, each participant will be given an allocated time to provide a general explanation of the **entire chapter**. The judges will then question the participant based on any or all of the verses in the chapter or things that have been mentioned by the participant in their presentation.

Participants can quote and refer to a tafseer in any language. The judges are able to read out the verses in Arabic and/or English (once) before the participant starts.

Tafseer 12-15yrs and 16+ (16-21yrs and 21yrs+ subject to number of participants)

On the day, each participant will be given an allocated time to provide a general explanation of 2 verses (from the allocated verses).

One of these verses will be randomly selected and one can be chosen by the participant.

For each verse, the judges will then question the participant based on the general explanation they presented. Participants can quote and refer to a tafseer in any language.

This year, participants will be allowed to bring one single-sided A4 page of written information/notes and have access to a copy of the Arabic Holy Qur'an for reference.

The Chapters and verses for Tafseer can be found in the [competition questions section](#) on page 8. For more information on the judging criteria, refer to page 6.

General Judging Criteria

Hifz and Open Recitation

1. Accuracy e.g. is the recitation correct/incorrect
2. Fluency - pace of recitation, continuity of recitation, stopping and pausing at appropriate places and breath control
3. Makhaarij - correct pronunciation of letters and words
4. Rules of Tajweed
5. Lahn - style of recitation

The judging criteria for the Hifz category will include all of the above but more emphasis will be placed on the memory/memorisation of the participant.

General Tafseer Marking Guide

1. General understanding of the verse/surah (e.g. historical background)
2. Cross referencing (e.g. other verses, tafaseer, Hadith, interfaith views)
3. Clarity of explanation
4. Ability to answer questions
5. Lessons learnt and implementation

More detailed information regarding the judging criteria will be shared with participants in due course.

Competition Rules

Dress Code:

- Male: Khanzu/Dish Dashe/thawb
- Female: Loose Chadar/Abaya with modest head covering (maqnah, scarf or shella)

Please note: Good Akhlaq is expected from all participants at all times. Anyone not following the dress code above will have marks deducted from their final result.

The Organisers/ Judges

- Will carry out a brief on the rules and the marking system before the competition.
- The judges' decision will be final, with no appeal.
- They will judge every aspect very critically and they will maintain impartiality.
- The judges may be male or female. Participants will not be able to request to be assessed by a particular judge. For the Open Recitation and Hifz categories, we will try our best to accommodate all male participants with male judges and female participants with female judges, however there may be situations where this is not possible.

The Competition

- The competition will take place in public where the participant shall recite in front of the judges. Other participants, spectators and the LFQC team members may also be present.
- As part of the registration process, participants can opt out of being photographed or being on video. If participants want to request no live streaming, this needs to be requested.
- The competition dates and times may change depending on unforeseen circumstances.
- Participants are only allowed to compete in their age group (based on their age on the date of the competition).
- If participants of the tafseer category prefer to present in another language, this needs to be requested during the registration process. All efforts to accommodate requests will be made but may not always be possible.
- Copies of the Mus'haf (Qur'an) shall be provided to the participants to be used during the competition. ***Please note: Participants will be able to choose either the Uthman Taha or IndoPakistani print and will NOT be colour coded. ([Examples of Uthman taha and Indo-Pakistani scripts](#))***

LFQC organizers reserve the right to dismiss, cancel and/or disqualify any participant without liability at any time, with immediate effect; this includes, but is not limited to, any participant who tampers with the operation of the competition or competition site or violates the terms and conditions, or any other applicable laws and regulations.

Competition Questions

5-7 years

Open Recitation: Surah Al-humazah (104), Surah As-Shams (91), Surah Al-lahab/Al-Masad (111), Surah Ad-Dhuha (93), Surah Az-Zalzala (99)

Hifz: Surah Al-Buruj (85)

8-11 years

Open Recitation: Surah Al-Hujuraat (49) and Surah Al-Hashr (59)

Hifz: Surah Al-Buruj (85) and Surah At-Takweer (81)

Tafseer: Surah Al-Qadr (97)

12-15 years

Open Recitation: Anywhere from 25th to 30th Juz inclusive

Hifz: Surah Al-Buruj (85), Surah At-Takweer (81) and Surah Al-Infitaar (82)

Tafseer: Surah Al-Waaqiah (56:75-82) and Surah Ad-Dukhaan (44:1-6) - One of these two groups of verses will be asked.

[\(Arabic and English Pages - Translation by Shakir\)](#)

16+ years

Open Recitation: Anywhere in the Quran

Hifz: Surah Al-Buruj (85), Surah At-Takweer (81), Surah Al-Infitaar (82), Surah Al-Hujuraat (49) and Surah Al-Hashr (59)

Tafseer: Theme - "The Qur'an"

Surah Ibrahim (14:1), Surah Al-Buruj (85: 21-22), Surah Al-Baqarah (2:185), Surah Al-Hashr (59:21), Surah Al-Baqarah (2:2), Surah Al-Qamar (54:32), Surah Az-Zumar (39:41), Surah Al-Isra (17:82), Surah At-Tariq (86:13-14), Surah Al-Isra (17:9)

[\(Arabic and English Pages - Translation by Shakir\)](#)

12-15yrs Tafseer Verses Group 1

Surah Al-Waaqiah (56:75-82)

{75} فَلَا أُقْسِمُ بِمَوَاقِعِ النُّجُومِ

[56:75] But nay! I swear by the falling of stars;

{76} وَإِنَّهُ لَقَسَمٌ لَوْ تَعْلَمُونَ عَظِيمٌ

[56:76] And most surely it is a very great oath if you only knew;

{77} إِنَّهُ لَقُرْآنٌ كَرِيمٌ

[56:77] Most surely it is an honored Quran,

{78} فِي كِتَابٍ مَكْنُونٍ

[56:78] In a book that is protected

{79} لَا يَمَسُّهُ إِلَّا الْمُطَهَّرُونَ

[56:79] None shall touch it save the purified ones.

{80} تَنْزِيلٌ مِنْ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ

[56:80] A revelation by the Lord of the worlds.

{81} أَفَبِهَذَا الْحَدِيثِ أَنْتُمْ مُذْهَبُونَ

[56:81] Do you then hold this announcement in contempt?

{82} وَتَجْعَلُونَ رِزْقَكُمْ أَنْتُمْ تُكذِّبُونَ

[56:82] And to give (it) the lie you make your means of subsistence.

12-15yrs Tafseer Verses Group 2

Surah Ad-Dukhaan (44:1-6)

{1} حم
[44:1] Ha Mim!

{2} وَالْكِتَابِ الْمُبِينِ
[44:2] I swear by the Book that makes manifest (the truth).

{3} إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَاهُ فِي لَيْلَةٍ مُبَارَكَةٍ ۚ إِنَّا كُنَّا مُنذِرِينَ
[44:3] Surely We revealed it on a blessed night surely We are ever warning

{4} فِيهَا يُفْرَقُ كُلُّ أَمْرٍ حَكِيمٍ
[44:4] Therein every wise affair is made distinct,

{5} أَمْرًا مِنْ عِنْدِنَا ۚ إِنَّا كُنَّا مُرْسِلِينَ
[44:5] A command from Us; surely We are the senders (of messengers),

{6} رَحْمَةً مِنْ رَبِّكَ ۚ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ
[44:6] A mercy from your Lord, surely He is the Hearing, the Knowing,

16+yrs Tafseer Verses

الر ۞ كِتَابٌ أَنْزَلْنَاهُ إِلَيْكَ لِتُخْرِجَ النَّاسَ مِنَ الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ بِإِذْنِ رَبِّهِمْ إِلَى صِرَاطٍ الْعَزِيزِ الْحَمِيدِ {1}

[14:1] Alif Lam Ra. (This is) a Book which We have revealed to you that you may bring forth men, by their Lord's permission from utter darkness into light-- to the way of the Mighty, the Praised One,

بَلْ هُوَ قُرْآنٌ مَجِيدٌ {21}

[85:21] Nay! it is a glorious Quran,

فِي لَوْحٍ مَحْفُوظٍ {22}

[85:22] In a guarded tablet.

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَىٰ وَالْفُرْقَانِ ۗ فَمَن شَهِدَ مِنْكُمُ الشَّهْرَ فَلْيَصُمْهُ ۗ وَمَن كَانَ مَرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَىٰ سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ ۗ يُرِيدُ اللَّهُ بِكُمُ الْيُسْرَ وَلَا يُرِيدُ بِكُمُ الْعُسْرَ وَلِتُكْمِلُوا الْعِدَّةَ وَلِتُكَبِّرُوا اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ مَا هَدَاكُم وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ {185}

[2:185] The month of Ramazan is that in which the Quran was revealed, a guidance to men and clear proofs of the guidance and the distinction; therefore whoever of you is present in the month, he shall fast therein, and whoever is sick or upon a journey, then (he shall fast) a (like) number of other days; Allah desires ease for you, and He does not desire for you difficulty, and (He desires) that you should complete the number and that you should exalt the greatness of Allah for His having guided you and that you may give thanks.

لَوْ أَنْزَلْنَا هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ عَلَىٰ جَبَلٍ لَّرَأَيْتَهُ خَاشِعًا مُّتَصَدِّعًا مِّنْ خَشْيَةِ اللَّهِ ۗ وَتِلْكَ الْأَمْثَالُ نَضْرِبُهَا لِلنَّاسِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ {21}

[59:21] Had We sent down this Quran on a mountain, you would certainly have seen it falling down, splitting asunder because of the fear of Allah, and We set forth these parables to men that they may reflect.

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ذَلِكَ الْكِتَابُ لَا رَيْبَ فِيهِ هُدًى لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ {2}

[2:2] This Book, there is no doubt in it, is a guide to those who guard (against evil).

وَلَقَدْ يَسَّرْنَا الْقُرْآنَ لِلذِّكْرِ فَهَلْ مِنْ مُدَكِّرٍ {32}

[54:32] And certainly We have made the Quran easy for remembrance, but is there anyone who will mind?

إِنَّا أَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ فَمَنِ اهْتَدَىٰ فَلِنَفْسِهِ ۖ وَمَنْ ضَلَّٰ فَإِنَّمَا يَضِلُّ عَلَيْهَا ۗ وَمَا أَنْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ بِوَكِيلٍ {41}

[39:41] Surely We have revealed to you the Book with the truth for the sake of men; so whoever follows the right way, it is for his own soul and whoever errs, he errs only to its detriment; and you are not a custodian over them

وَنَزَّلُ مِنَ الْقُرْآنِ مَا هُوَ شِفَاءٌ وَرَحْمَةٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ ۗ وَلَا يَزِيدُ الظَّالِمِينَ إِلَّا خَسَارًا {82}

[17:82] And We reveal of the Quran that which is a healing and a mercy to the believers, and it adds only to the perdition of the unjust.

إِنَّهُ لَقَوْلٌ فَصْلٌ {13}

[86:13] Most surely it is a decisive word,

وَمَا هُوَ بِالْهَزْلِ {14}

[86:14] And it is no joke.

إِنَّ هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ يَهْدِي لِلَّتِي هِيَ أَقْوَمُ وَيُبَشِّرُ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ الَّذِينَ يَعْمَلُونَ الصَّالِحَاتِ أَنَّ لَهُمْ أَجْرًا كَبِيرًا {9}

[17:9] Surely this Quran guides to that which is most upright and gives good news to the believers who do good that they shall have a great reward.

Useful Resources

Tanzil.net

A good comprehensive that includes multiple translations, audio and is also in Uthmani script

Zekr

A comprehensive quranic software that allows searching, multiple translations and audio

Quran.com

A simple website to view the quran, multiple translations and audio

www.quranflash.com/books/Tajweed

A website to view and read many different versions of Quranic Texts including a tajweed colour coded Quran

www.abouttajweed.com

A comprehensive Tajweed related website

www.quranreading.com/Tajweed-Quran

A website detailing Tajweed rules, for beginners and advanced alike

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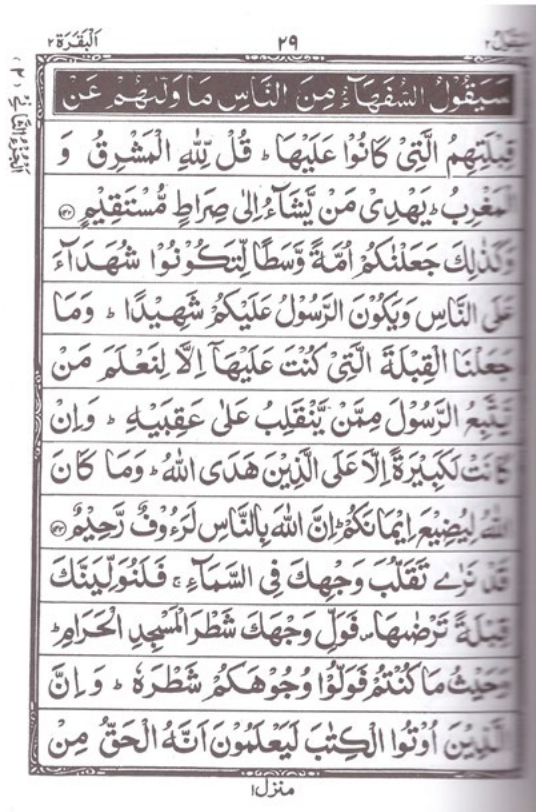
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A website to view common Sunni Tafaaseer in English

www.qtafsir.com

A Sunni Tafseer - Tafseer of ibn Kathir

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