Knock and Ask Before You Enter: Islamic Manners for Kids

Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Fill in the missing word

Word bank: **people's** **permission** **without**

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2. We knock gently and wait, and if the answer is "not now", we come back later _____ being upset.
3. Asking first shows respect and keeps _____ privacy safe.

2 Let's talk

1. Why might someone want privacy?

2. What can we say when we knock?

3. What should we do if nobody answers?

3 I practised it this week

Colour a star each day you remember to do it.

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4 Draw it!

Draw what you learned today.

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2 Let's talk: what to listen for

Every child's answer will be a little different. Praise any answer in their own words that shows these ideas:

- Before going into someone else's home, we ask permission and greet the people inside (meaning of Quran 24:27).
- Children at home should also ask before coming into their parents' room at certain private times: before Fajr, in the middle of the day when people rest, and after Isha (meaning of Quran 24:58).
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- Asking first shows respect and keeps people's privacy safe.

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No right or wrong answers. Colour the stars together at bedtime and praise the effort, not just the result.

4 Draw it!

Any picture is a good answer. Ask your child to tell you about it, and write their words under the drawing.

Try this at home

Practise at home. Close a bedroom door and take turns: one person knocks, says "Assalamu alaikum, may I come in?" and waits. The person inside answers "Wa alaikum assalam, come in!" or "Please wait a moment."

Source

- Quran 24:27: believers are told not to enter homes other than their own until they have asked permission and greeted the people inside.
- Quran 24:58: children and those in the household are taught to ask permission at three private times of the day.

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