

## Islamic SQUARES<sup>1</sup>

This adapted activity is borrowed from human rights field to introduce participants to topics on Islam, especially those not covered in the mainstream media. During this 15-min activity each participant would find a different person who can answer one question and put his/her name in the square. The task is to answer as many squares as possible during the allotted time, and find out which squares were so difficult to answer.

What is the difference between Islam & Moslem?	What are the five pillars (principles) of Islam?	When and where Moslems pray?	What are the two major Islamic schools of thought that equal to Catholicism and Protestantism?	Do Moslems believe in Jesus and Moses?	Name a Moslem human rights activist?
What Mecca represents for Moslems?	What is the world population of Moslems?	What is the Moslem population of the US?	What is Ijtihad means?	What is Jihad? What is Mujahideen?	Name a book you have read about Islam?
Why terrorism was recently linked to Islam?	Can you name some of the extremist Islamic organizations?	Name a country run by extreme Islam while it is considered a US ally?	Name a country run by extreme Islam while it is considered a US enemy?	What are the Shari'a Laws?	Name a movie that is about Islam or Moslems?
Can you name a country ruled by Islamic laws while its citizens' human rights are not violated?	What was the accusation against the Moslem British writer Salman Rushdi?	Name a Moslem country where gays enjoy their rights?	How do you see women's rights under the Saudi ally of the US?	Were human rights far advanced during Prophet Mohammed Than current countries ruled by Islamists?	Name a person who was executed for his Islamic renewal thought in the recent history?

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