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## **Asim's First Ramadan**

Once upon a time, there was a young boy named Asim. Asim was very excited because he was finally old enough to join his family in observing Ramadan. He had heard so much about it from his parents and older siblings and couldn't wait to be a part of it. Ramadan is a special month for Muslims all over the world. During Ramadan, Muslims fast from dawn until sunset every day for a whole month. Fasting means that Muslims don't eat or drink anything during the daylight hours. It is a time of reflection, self-discipline, and worship.

Asim woke up early on the first day of Ramadan, feeling excited and nervous. He knew it would be challenging to fast for the first time, but he was determined to try his best. His family ate a big meal before dawn, called Suhoor, to help them through the day.

The first few days of Ramadan were tough for the boy. He felt hungry and thirsty during the day, but he remembered why he was fasting and felt proud of himself for being a part of this special month. At sunset his family came together to break the fast. This is called Iftar. The meal is opened with eating dates, then a prayer, followed by the main meal. Asim's favorite meal was his mother's lamb stew with rice pilaf and baklava for dessert.

As the days went by, Asim started to get used to fasting, and he even started to enjoy the peaceful and reflective atmosphere of Ramadan. He spent more time praying and reading the Quran, and he felt closer to his faith than ever before.

Finally, Ramadan came to an end, and it was time for Eid al-Fitr, a big festival that marks the end of the month of fasting. Asim and his family wore their best clothes, decorated their home and went to the mosque to pray. Then they visited friends and family, sharing sweets and treats with each other. During the Eid celebration, Muslims greet each other by saying 'Eid Mubarak', which is Arabic for "Blessed Eid".

Eid al-Fitr is a time of celebration and joy. It is a way to thank Allah for giving us the strength to fast and to come together as a community. Muslims all over the world celebrate Eid al-Fitr with their loved ones, and it is a time of forgiveness, love, and happiness.

Asim had a wonderful time celebrating Eid al-Fitr with his family and friends. He felt proud of himself for completing Ramadan and was grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this special month.

In the end, Asim learned that Ramadan is not just

about fasting, but it is also a time of spiritual growth and self-reflection. He also learned that Eid al-Fitr is a time of celebration and community, where Muslims come together to share love and happiness.

