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A Light For Little Muslims



The Power of PRAYER

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On Prayers

"Call on me and I will answer you," guarantees Allah (SWT) in the Qu'ran. So why don't we take Him up on the offer more often?

... It may have something to do with our relationship with Him.

Relationships are built through interaction; for most, interaction occurs through conversation. Prayer allows man to have conversation with God. Through sincere dialogue, we have an opportunity to cultivate a strong relationship with God.

However, extending our hands and pouring out our innermost feelings doesn't come easily; fundamental pre-requisites must exist. Namely, one must appreciate the magnanimity, power, and significance of the Creator, while also internalizing our own limitations, as God's creations.

In this book, we seek to motivate children to participate in conversation (du'a) with Allah (SWT), developing a strong friendship with Him. We do this by (a) communicating, authentically, the promise that God responds to all prayers as Al-Mujib (the Answerer), and (b) establishing God as the founder of all creation as Al-Mubdi (the Originator).

Our Motivation

NEGU. Never, ever, give up. Mom has always been the most important person in my life. So when she was diagnosed with cancer, our world was turned upside down. We searched high and low for hope, finding that prayer was our only weapon... and what a weapon it was.

Please recite Surah Fatiha for the early recovery of those who are sick.

Glossary

Insha'Allah
God willing

SAW
SallAllahu'alayhi wa sallam
Peace be upon him

SWT
Subhanahu wa-ta'ala
May He be glorified and exalted

CALL ON YOUR CREATOR



It was the first soccer match of the summer, and Amin wanted to score a goal more than anything.




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Amin began running as fast as he could. He needed to find the perfect spot before taking a shot.



While running, Amin tripped and twisted his ankle. He was hurt. His friends gathered around to help.

The boys looked at Amin's red and swollen ankle with concern.



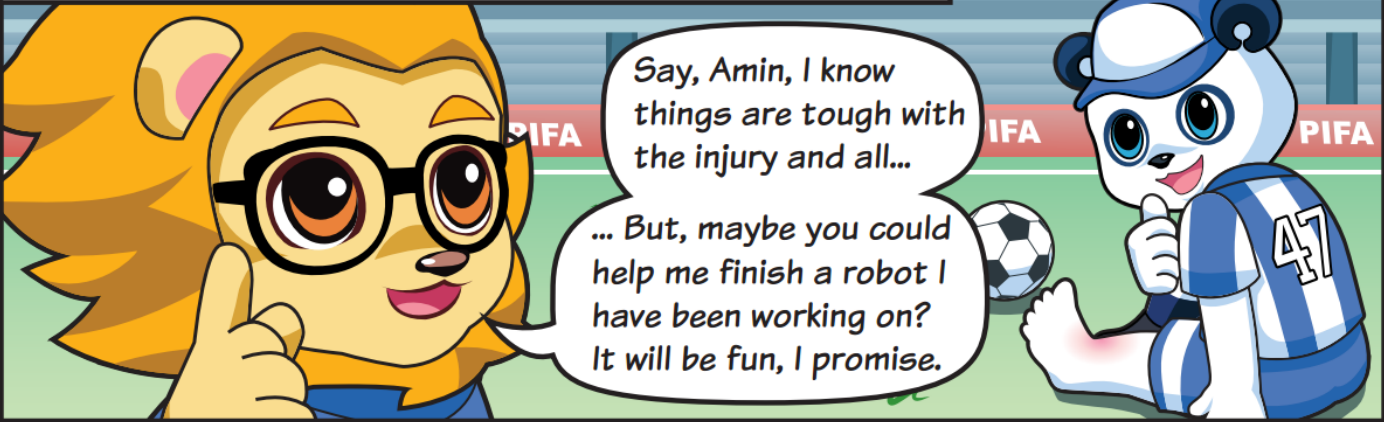
This has to be the worst thing in the whole wide world...
... There is no way I can play for the rest of the season!

Is there anything we can do to help?

No, there is nothing you can do. There is nothing anyone can do. This is just my luck. How miserable!

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While Amin became depressed about his situation, Asad came up with an idea to cheer him up.



Say, Amin, I know things are tough with the injury and all...

... But, maybe you could help me finish a robot I have been working on? It will be fun, I promise.

Amin agreed. The two walked towards Asad's house to begin working.

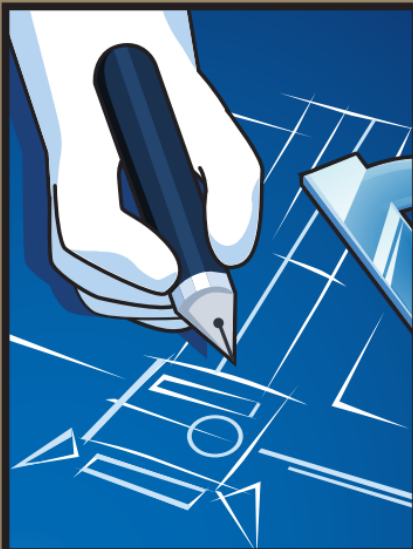


Thanks Asad. You are a real pal, you know that?

Don't mention it. That is what friends are for.

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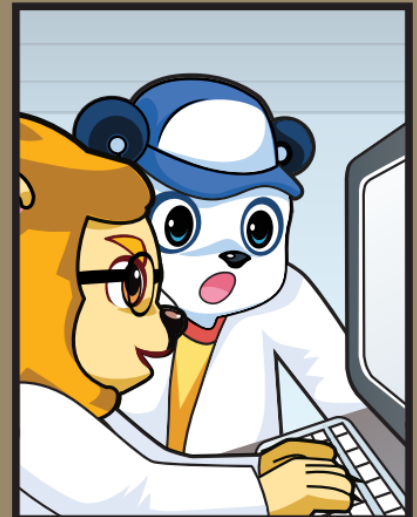
Once the two reached Asad's garage, they began working on the robot:



Designing its blueprint



Welding its pieces

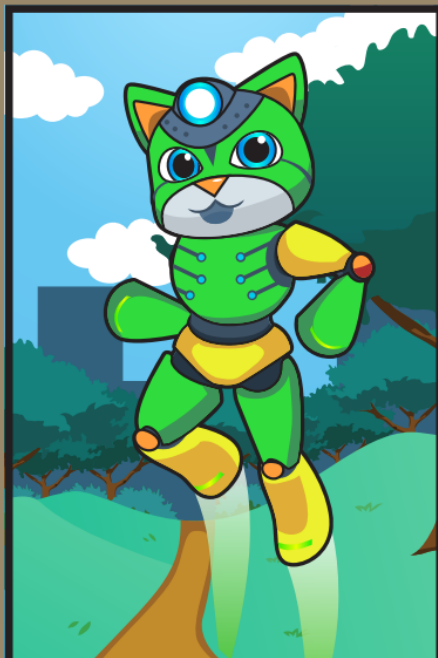


Programming its operations

Finally, Amin turned the robot on. Its eyes lit up and it began talking.



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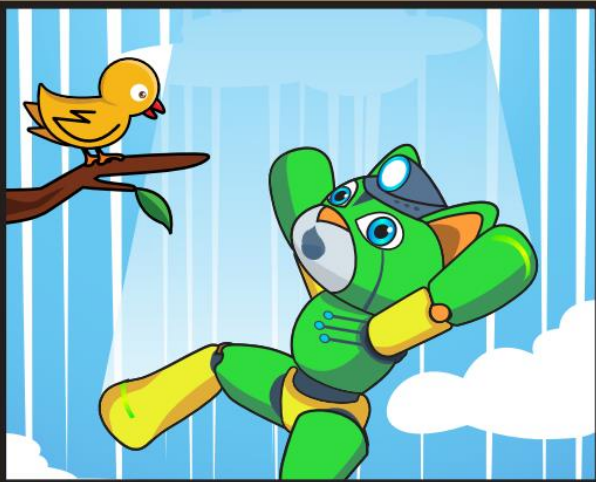
*I can jump up
and down...*



*... I can zip all
around...*



*... I can even fly
towards the sky!*



But on the way down from his flight, the Android made a mistake and fell down too fast!



Landing on his feet, the Android's knees buckled. Ali was in pain.

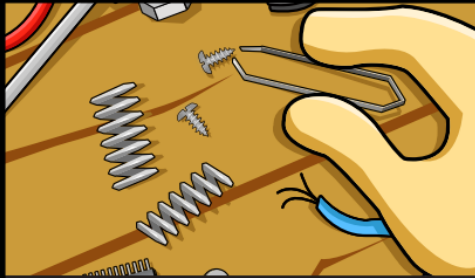
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Ya Allah (SWT)!
The poor Android is hurt.
What should we do?

We created him right?
That means we can fix him too.

Asad began repairing Ali the Android...



Replacing the springs



Installing new wires



Painting the metal



I feel better than ever Asad, thanks for your care.

After Ali the Android was fixed, Amin decided it was time for him to go home. But as he got up to walk, he felt pain in his ankle again.



Oh man. With all of this fun, I forgot that I had twisted my ankle...

... I wish it could be healed, but there is absolutely no hope.

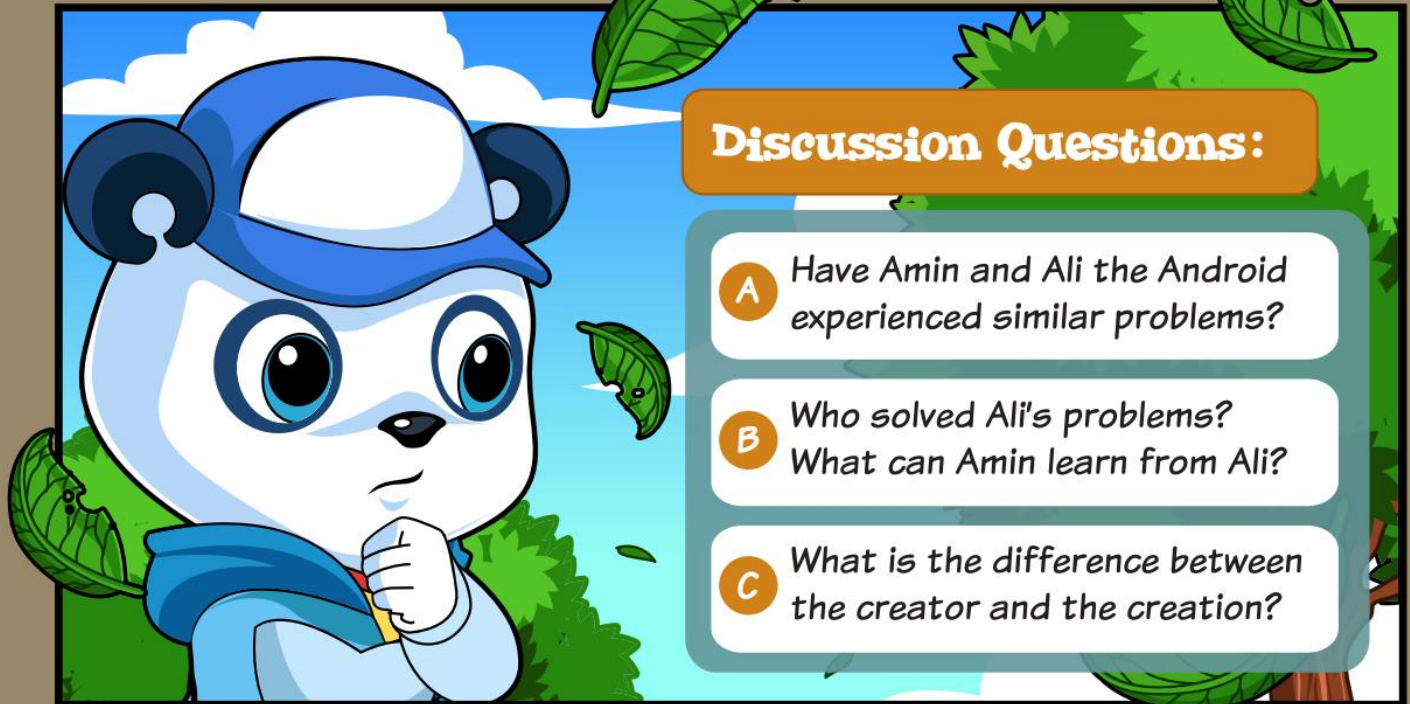


Hold on, Amin!
There is hope.
I have an idea...

... Maybe we can
learn from Ali
the Android?

He called on his creator
for help. Why don't you?

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Discussion Questions:

- A** Have Amin and Ali the Android experienced similar problems?
- B** Who solved Ali's problems?
What can Amin learn from Ali?
- C** What is the difference between the creator and the creation?



Wow. What an incredible idea. I wish I would have thought about it sooner...

... I will call on Allah (SWT) for help. Insha'Allah, through Him, I can get better!

Amin left to go home. He was excited to pray for a quick recovery. Upon reaching home, Amin began preparing to talk with Allah (SWT)...

... He put on clean, white clothes to look his best...



... He performed wudhu to clean his body and soul...



...He dabbled on some itar for a beautiful scent...

Amin walked onto his prayer mat and raised his hands to the sky.

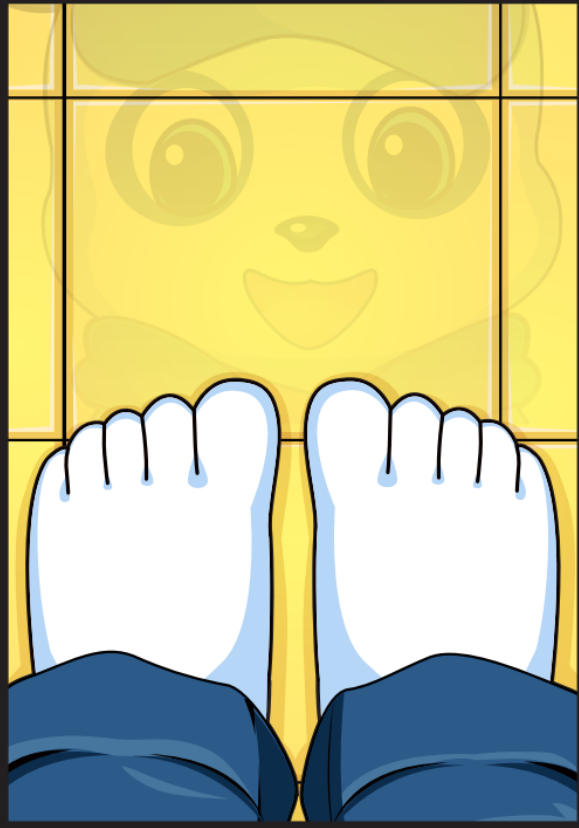


Create Amin's Du'a

Help Amin make a prayer.
When praying, be sure to:

- 1 Thank Allah (SWT) for your blessings
- 2 Ask Allah (SWT) to forgive your mistakes
- 3 Pray for the people you love
- 4 Pray for yourself

The very next day, as Amin woke up, he looked at his feet. While they still hurt a little bit, the redness had disappeared



Amin smiled and thanked Allah (SWT) for answering his prayer. He was on his way to a quick and speedy recovery!



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Names of
ALLAH



IN THE QU'RAN:

Travel the earth and see how He originated creation. Surely Allah (SWT) has power over all things. Surah Al Ankabut (The Spider) - 29:20

DISCUSSION QUESTION:

Do inventors normally make an instruction manual for their creation? As humans, what is our instruction manual?



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