

### Lesson Objectives

- ▶ To reinforce the idea that conflicts should be resolved peacefully
- ▶ To learn about the meanings of the word 'jihad'
- ▶ To learn that Islam and the Geneva Convention lay down very strict rules about the conduct of war
- ▶ To reinforce the command that suicide is haram



### Islamic Guidance

وَلَا تَقْتُلُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَانَ بِكُمْ رَحِيمًا

'...And do not kill yourselves, indeed God is merciful to you.' (Surat al-Nisa' 4:29)

وَلَا تُلْقُوا بِأَيْدِيكُمْ إِلَى التَّهْلُكَةِ وَأَحْسِنُوا  
إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ

'...And do not throw yourselves by your own hands to destruction, but do good, indeed God loves these who do good.' (Surat al-Baqarah 2:195)

لَيْسَ لَكَ مِنَ الْأَمْرِ شَيْءٌ أَوْ يَتُوبَ عَلَيْهِمْ  
أَوْ يُعَذِّبُهُمْ فَإِنَّهُمْ ظَالِمُونَ

'You (Muhammad) have no say in the matter whether He (God) forgives them or He punishes them because they are indeed wrong-doers.' (Surat Alee Imran 3:128)

'He who killed himself with a thing would be punished on the Day of Resurrection by that very thing.' (Muslim)

'He who has no control over his anger has no control over his mind.' (Al-Kafi)

'Whoever strangles himself will be strangling himself in the fire and whoever stabs himself will be stabbing himself in the fire.' (Bukhari)

'There is no strength like being able to control one's anger.' (Tuhaf al-'Uqul)

## Feedback

Lesson Title: Dealing with Conflict

Name: .....

Madrasah/Organisation: .....

Today I have learnt about:

As a result of this lesson I have learnt that a good Muslim should:

I am going to follow up this topic in my home/school/community by:

## Follow-up Worksheet

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Name: .....

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Tasks:

Talk to your parents and teachers about at least two recent international conflicts in the Middle East and other countries. Get their views on how Muslims in the UK should respond to these conflicts.

International conflict 1:

International conflict 2: