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Making a Special Place at Home

This weekend marks the end of the month of Ramadan, when Muslims all over the world think more about God, pray more and some adults fast (which means eat and drink nothing) from the moment the sun rises in the morning to the moment the sun goes down in the evening. They also go to the Mosque to pray, which is obviously not possible this year because we have all had to stay in our homes to be safe.

One family, therefore, has made their own Mosque at home, so that they have a quiet place to think and pray. It is a beautiful thing – [watch this video](#) to see how they made it.



Not only Muslims like to have a quiet special place to think or pray. Christians, Jews, Hindus, Sikhs ...people from all religions have their own special places.



A Hindu home shrine



A Christian home shrine



A Jewish home prayer space

People who don't believe in a god also like to have special, quiet places, to be peaceful, to think and to escape from everyday life.



We would like to you think about what makes a place special. Is it how you arrange it or decorate it, or is it what you do there? What is special to you? How could you have a place which is different to the rest of your life where you could feel happy and peaceful?

Your Challenge:

Design a special place in your house. It could be in a quiet spot in the garden if you have one, in a corner of your bedroom or behind the sofa in your living room. (Remember to ask permission from your adult before choosing the space.) Draw a picture of this special place. How will you make it special? Could you include lights, flowers or special objects that mean something to you? Could you have cushions to sit on and a blanket, throw or scarf to make it cosy? If you believe in a religion, you could have a symbol of that religion, such as a cross or a Star of David.

Label your picture to show what the special things are. Can you explain why you chose them?

If your parents agree, you could actually make the special place. We would love to see photos or drawings if you'd like to share them with us!