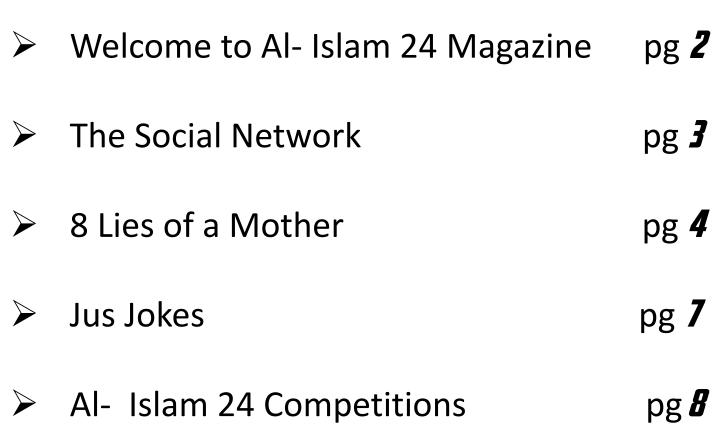




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Al- Islam 24 first started on October 24 2010 as nothing but just a dream! This dream was made into reality and because of Allah's mercy, Al- Islam 24 grew! Al- Islam 24 is not an official organisation but the aim of Al- Islam 24 is to spread the beautiful deen of Islam and also give everyone across the world access to Islamic resources as well as provide proper Islamic Education. We firmly believe: "There is none worthy of worship besides Allah and Nabi Muhammad (S.A.W) is His final Messenger".

This web magazine will be issued once a month! Sometimes twice or thrice but our aim is to publish this magazine at least once a month In Shaa Allah



THE SOCIAL NETWORK

The question we ask ourselves is: "Is social networking halaal or haraam?" Up to this day that question is debated many times! My viewpoint is that it all depends on how one uses this social network! Everything has its good uses and bad uses. We just have to know how to use these tools to benefit our religion and our community. Many make money by advertising all social networks and platforms and some even keep in contact with lost family and relatives. One can also use the social network to spread the beautiful deen of Islam. The social network however

becomes haraam in cases when one chooses to use it to keep in contact with the opposite gender to whom they are not Mahrams to. Many girls upload naked or half naked pictures of themselves and this habit has spread throughout. It has become a very big problem in our society. A recent study has shown that an organisation in Indonesia is stealing these pictures and using them in pornography and misusing it in many other disgusting ways. We appeal to all females to remove those pictures before they are misused.



<u>8 LIES OF A MOTHER</u>

The story began when I was a child. I was born as a son of a poor family.

We didn't have much money and we often had a lack of food. At dinner time, mother often gave me her portion of rice. While she dished her portion of rice into my bowl, she would say "Eat this rice, son. I'm not hungry".

That was Mother's First Lie.

While I was growing up, my persevering mother gave her spare time for fishing in a river near our house, she hoped that from the fish she caught, she could gave me nutritious food for my growth. After fishing, she would cook the fish and prepare fresh fish soup. While I ate the soup, mother would sit beside me and eat the rest of the fish which was still on the bones. My heart was touched when I saw her. I then used my chopstick and gave the other fish to her. But she immediately refused it and said "Eat this fish, son. I don't really like fish." That was Mother's Second Lie.

Then, when I was in Junior High School, to fund my studies, mother went to an economic enterprise to bring some usedmatches boxes that would be stuck in. It gave her some money for covering our needs. As the winter came, I woke up from my sleep and looked at my mother who was still awoke, supported by a little candlelight and within her perseverance she continued the work of sticking some used-matches box. I said, "Mother, go to sleep, it's late, tomorrow morning you still have to go to work. "Mother smiled and said "Go to sleep, dear. I'm not tired."

That was Mother's Third Lie.

At the time of final term, mother asked for a leave from her enterprise in order to accompany me. As the day passed and the heat of the sun was starting to shine, my strong and persevering mother waited for me under the heat of the sun's shine for several hours. As the bell rang, which indicated that the final exam had finished, mother immediately welcomed me and poured for me a glass of tea that she had prepared before in a bottle. The very thick tea was not as thick as my mother's love, which was much thicker. Seeing my mother covered with perspiration, I at once gave her my glass and asked her to drink too. Mother said "Drink, son. I'm not thirsty!". That was Mother's Fourth Lie.

After the death of my father who died of illness, my poor mother had to play her role as a single parent. Fired from her former job, she had to fund our needs alone. Our family's life was more complicated. No days without sufferance. Seeing our family's condition that was getting worse, there was an uncle who lived near my house who came to help us. Our other neighbours who lived next to us saw that our family's life was so unfortunate, they often advised my mother to marry again. But mother, who was stubborn, didn't pay heed to their advice, she said "I don't need love." After I had finished my studies and then got a job, it was time for my old mother to retire. But she didn't want to; she was sincere to go to the marketplace every morning, just to sell some vegetables for fulfilling her needs. I, who worked in the other city, often sent her some money to help her in fulfilling her needs, but she was stubborn as she did not accept the money. She even sent the money back to me. She said "I have enough money." That was Mother's Sixth Lie.

After I graduated and got my Bachelors Degree, I then continued my studies to Master Degree. I completed my degree which was funded by a company through a scholarship program, from a famous University in America . I found a job in a company and earned quite a high salary, I intended to take my mother to enjoy her life in America. But my lovely mother didn't want to bother her son, she said to me "I'm not used to." That was Mother's Seventh Lie.

After entering her old age, mother got cancer and had to be hospitalized. I, who lived miles away and across the ocean, directly went home to visit my dearest mother. She lied down in weakness on her bed after having an operation. Mother, who looked so old, was staring at me in deep yearn. She tried to spread her smile on her face, even it looked so stiff because of the disease she held out. It was clear enough to see how the disease broke my mother's body, thus she looked so weak and thin. I stared at my mother with tears flowing down my face. My heart was hurt, so hurt, seeing my mother in that condition. But mother, with her strength, said "Don't cry, my dear. I'm not in pain."

That was Mother's Eight Lie.

After saying her eighth lie, She closed her eyes forever!

Jus Jokes

A 20c coin met a R200.00 note and said,

" Hey whatkind Outtie......, where have you been???...... I haven't seen you around in a long time?."

The R200.00 note answered,

"ELL Guzzie, I been around, this way-that way, you know how its vying !...... Went to the Casino, Did Stones Cresta, Went on a Cruise to Mozambique, just came back.

Hitting Hillbrow tonight....Im doing the mall tomorrow..... You know how it vaais..... Doing that kind of stuff, make out , Guzzie ?.....

How about You.?..... How's it cracking with you? Whats cutting ur Side?....."

The 20c coin replied , "Ekse Boss..... you know me same old stuff...... TEMPLE, CHURCH, MOSQUE !!!

There once was a magic mirror which would kill your if you lied to it. One day a brunette was doing her makeup and said to herself "I think I'm the smartest woman ever!" She immediately dropped dead. The next day a redhead was doing her hair and said to herself "I think I'm the prettiest woman alive!" She immediately dropped dead. Finally, the following day, a blond was flossing her teeth. She stopped and said to herself "I think," and dropped dead.





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