

ESSAY WRITING CONTEST



Ayatullah Seestani has advised us to safeguard the following three things:

1. Taqwa
2. Hijab
3. Education

To participate in this competition, choose one topic from the above three and write an essay based on the following guidelines:

Essay Requirements:

- First, Please go to <http://www.dubaijamaat.com/edboard/madrasah/ramadhancontests2008.htm> to register your participation. You will then receive a Student ID # from one of the administrators. You then have the choice to write your essay directly on the website, or first write it on a word processor, and then paste on the website. You will also need your Student ID # to submit your essay. The address to need to go to submit your essay is: <http://www.dubaijamaat.com/edboard/madrasah/ramadhancontests2008essay.htm>
- Essay word length for ages 10-13 years: 1200 words
- Essay word length for ages 14-17 years: 1500 words
- Your submission must include: Title of your essay, Student ID # given upon registration, Date, Age Group, Number of Words, your Essay & a Reference page.

General Guidelines on how to write your essay:

- Introduction (What you understand by the question, what you are about to say in response, why the subject is important, etc.)
- Main Body (This is the largest segment of your essay. Research what a variety of relevant sources say)
- Discussion (compare and contrast the information from different sources and come to some judgement about them- form an *opinion* based on your research.)
- Demonstrate a thorough examination of the topic
- Organize your content as effectively as you can in order to develop a strong argument.
- Do not make claims that are baseless. Remember to support what you say with Quranic Ayats, ahadith, articles or even illustrations.

- Conclusion (Here, summarize your arguments + opinions and your reasons for them-DO NOT be tempted to add in a new point which has not been mentioned in the main body of your Essay!
- Remember to spell/grammar check your essay before submission.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 16th Ramadhan(18 September)

**Important Note to Parents: Please allow your child to write
and think INDEPENDANTLY**