Indonesia



Facts about Indonesia

- Large country with over 17,000 islands
- Takes over 12 hours by plane to cross from east to west
- 4th Largest country in the world behind the USA
- Has the largest Muslim population in the world



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- Located on the Pacific Rim of Fire with 150 volcanoes
- Has the largest Volcanic lake in the world, Lake Toba



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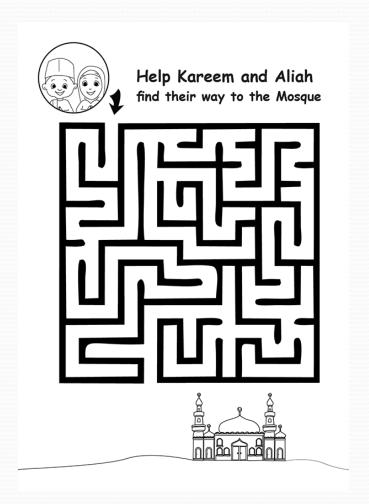
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Religious Muslim Holiday in Indonesia - Ramadan

- Ramadan lasts for 29-30 days of fasting and praying
- Each day of Ramadan begins with a meal before dawn
- Muslim adults fast from sunrise to sunset
- Each night at sunset, families gather to eat a meal called iftar.
- Children look forward to Ramadan as they perform plays, special poems, and sing songs.
- Although children don't need to fast, many try to fast for a short time.

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Indonesian Culture Saman Dance



Saman Dance

- Created by Muslim cleric Sheikh Saman Aceh around 1300 AD
- Began as a folk dance, but poetry was later introduced containing praises to God
- At first it was only displayed for special events, like the celebration of the birth of Prophet Muhammad. Now it is done for many different celebrations such as weddings and parties.
- Traditionally performed by men only.

Saman Dance

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_dVJq8cAcpY



Teaching the Saman Dance

