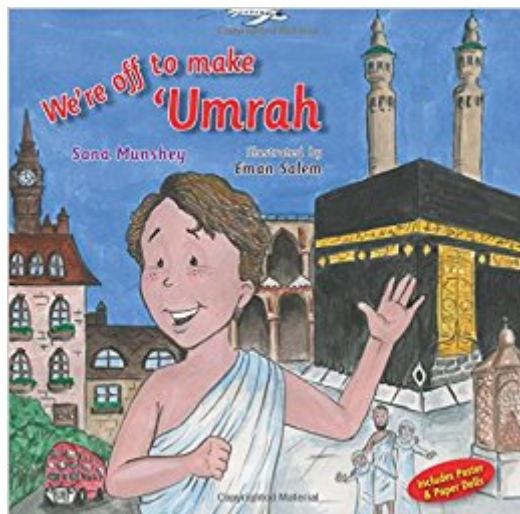


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# We're Off To Make 'Umrah



## Synopsis

Salam, my dear friends, I hope you're all well. If you've time to listen I've something to tell. About the first mosque, A beautiful sight, Which we face when we pray, Where the nur shines bright. Discover the joys of 'Umrah when a brother and sister travel with their parents to the city of Mecca and perform this sacred ritual for the very first time. Includes a poster and paper dolls to enact performing 'Umrah!

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

"The well-executed verse and friendly, if not entirely skillful cartoons provide a positive, child's-eye-view perspective on the journey. A foldout map and cutout paper dolls add an additional interactive dimension, allowing children to walk the dolls through the same steps that the family undertakes through Umrah" Publishers weekly

Sana Munshey: Mother of four, Sana is currently residing in Qatar, but home is still Ann Arbor. Her inspiration for writing came from her children, whom she home schools' where reading and storytelling has been their favorite pass-time.

Such a great book to get my 3 year old daughter prepared for our trip! It could definitely work for

older kids as well, I simplify some of the concepts to her age.

This is a wonderful book to keep in your child's library. It is especially useful when you go for umrah- the kids get all excited about whats to come! Love it!

Written in easy to remember verse, with perky color illustrations, "We're Off to Make 'Umrah" is a child's narrative to help understand the experience of performing 'Umrah by a devout Muslim family. A boy and his family make a journey to a sacred site to perform 'Umrah together. There are many special prayers and steps along the journey. Children are encouraged not to complain during 'Umrah. After a long plane flight and a bus ride, the boy arrives at Makkah, or Mecca. He and his father and mother and sister circle the Ka'bah seven times around to complete their tawaf. As they go, they repeat du'as, special prayers and sayings. They see the footprints of Maquam Ibrahim, their long distant forefather. Afterwards they find a special refreshing drink called zamzam water, then go on to Safa and Marwa. Again they climb and offer prayers and du'a, then run down like Hajar, who looked for water for her thirsty son. They run seven times between two hills, then their sa'i is finished. Afterwards the men get their hair shaved off in remembrance and the women cut off a bit of their hair. They change from their ceremonial clothing of ihram, and they are through with their 'Umrah experience. Next they visit Madinah to see the city of light and home of the Prophet. One day they will make Hajj, another sacred visit and ritual experience in a holy place. "We're Off to Make 'Umrah" contains a glossary and illustrated foldout poster with paper dolls of a boy and a girl both ordinary everyday clothes and sacred garments of ihram. The poster contains a praise prayer to Allah and a list of 11 steps to making 'Umrah. "We're Off to Make 'Umrah" is an excellent and fun children's descriptive book about a very special sequence of religious practices and observances common to Muslims everywhere. It is easily accessible to children age 8 and up.

"We're Off to Make Umrah" is an excellent easy to understand picture book for young children. It is especially useful in teaching them about the rituals of Umrah and Hajj. I read it to my children before going for Umrah. Now they love reading it on their own and remember their own experience of being in Mecca. This book is a must buy for families planning to visit Mecca with their children!

A boy and his sister and parents head off to spend time engaging in their spiritual practices. This little thin book outlines the key events in a rhyming verse. Note: Though the cover announces that the book includes a poster and paper dolls, these were not present in this library book."My journey

beginsWith the name of AllahWe're off to make `UmrahLabbayk Allahumma!"

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