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## The Importance of Homework

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Why is homework so Important?
Homework is very important to a participant's success in homeschool. Homework provides you or your child with the opportunity to review and practice important skills learned during the online classes. Homework reflects the objectives that participants are learning in the classroom and supports their individual needs by providing practice and enrichment inshaAllah. Homework also encourages the participant to take responsibility.

Practice, practice, and more practice is the key to acquiring the important skills participants need to become successful. Unfortunately, the online homeschool assistance program isn't nearly long enough to provide the practice that the participants need, therefore, it is necessary for participants to receive additional practice away from the classroom setting while at home.

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## Homework

## When is homework assigned?

Homework is assigned Monday through Thursday. There is no homework on Friday. However, you may need to work on various items over the weekend in order to meet deadlines or prepare for a test. Also, should you not be able to complete a class assignment, this will be considered homework. Here is an extra tidbit, use an additional 20-30 minutes each evening for reading the Qur'aan and other required memorization from Islamic Studies, Islamic History and Tafsir Benefits.

## What is my responsibility regarding homework?

You are responsible for completing daily homework assignments. Each student's points are recorded for their homework assignments into the instructor's journal. This provides a safe and secure location for keeping track of homework and when it is due. You should also keep a record of your submissions in your notebook, submissions through and email account and/or a journal in case of discrepancies. We expect students to give their best effort on homework.

Homework counts for $10 \%$ of your total grade, so it is to be neat. Sloppy homework submissions will be deducted 5 points per assignment. Students are to complete their own work and ask for help only when they have exhausted their resources. Students are encouraged to look back in their journals/notes/research for examples of work and portfolios writings that were completed in class.

This is a valuable resource when completing homework. I expect all assignments to be turned in on time (meaning same day or prior to the next scheduled class). Students who turn in work late will lose a total of two points or rewards per assignment. Please encourage your child to be responsible when it comes to homework Insha'Allah


## Homework

## What happens if $I$ send in an incomplete assignment?

Any assignment turned in incomplete will be deducted 1-5 points unless it is clear that the student was having difficulty with the assignment. As mentioned to you from the Instructors inshaAllah, it is from the Sunnah if you do not know a matter to say I don't know. This statement allows the instructor to be informed. This does not mean however, that you will get points for those answers, but your work will not be considered incomplete at that time.

## Homework

## What happens if $\mathbf{m y}$ assignment is late?

If a student chooses not to do their homework assignment, then this of course is a personal choice. All choices come with a reward or consequence. There is NO EXCUSE for turning in an assignment late or not at all. All assignments turned in late will be deducted 2 points. Any quiz or test turned in late will not receive the 5 points allotted and shall be deduced to 2 homework points/rewards only.

## Homework <br> Oops, I forgot to put my name or worksheet title/class in my email?

All papers turned in through email without a title/name cannot be awarded points. The first step in addressing any assignment is to place the Basmalah, the Salaams, student's name, the date and title of the lesson on the paper. There is NO EXCUSE for a paper being turned in without a title/name.

Often the reason the title/name was omitted from the paper is because the student rushed through the assignment or the submission of the email. We encourage you to slow down and read the directions carefully before beginning any assignment. It is also important that students learn to check their work to be sure they have addressed each point on the assignment and have answered all the intended questions; including heading the assignment with their name and the current date.

## Homework <br> How can I assist my children with homework assignments?

As parents, we are the keys to making our children's homework a positive experience. Please be sure that your child has the necessary supplies to complete assignments. For example, we ask that students not complete a mathematics homework assignment in ink or marker simply because they do not have a pencil. This goes back to teaching our students about responsibility and being prepared. Also, it is important that your child find a quiet place to complete homework assignments. The best method of support is to provide your child with a scheduled homework time, reward them for a job well done, and then assist your child in filing or emailing the work so that it is handy for the next homeschool class day.


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## Instructor's responsibility regarding homework assignments?

It is the responsibility of the instructor to ensure that you have understood what your homework assignment is and how to complete the assignments request. Most homework assignments are posted in the classroom, the students are asked if they have any questions before the end of class and/or the assignments are posted on the "Homework Blog" page of the website depending upon its importance.

Once the students have copied the homework assignment into their journals if they have any questions they can be assured that all homework assignments will be reviewed again through email and if needed discussed again in class so that students know what to do once they leave classes for the day. Instructors will also inshaAllah, keep track of assignments completed and those that are late. Make sure that when you email the assignment that you place the title of the lesson in the subject line for easy tracking Insha'Allah. Any missing assignments will be recorded for your child's progress reports every three weeks Insha'Allah.
*Posting your benefits from Quran/Tafsir class on the website is considered homework; we encourage you not to neglect this responsibility Insha'Allah.

## Homework

## What are the points/rewards?

The points reward system for homework submissions are as follows:
2 points/rewards for completed submission
3-4 points/rewards for completed submissions contain a bonus
1-5 points for Quiz depending upon the actual answers correct

10 points/rewards monthly book reports or research topics
All points/rewards can be redeemed in the Student Thriftshop at the end of each semester except for the ( 10 points/rewards for book reports/research) that is calculated at the end of the year only inshaAllah.

All homework should be emailed to fts.homework @ thmsadaqagroup.org

## Note from Administrator

To contact administration regarding other current policy, rules, and regulations pertaining to FTSOnline Homeschool Assistance and participation please email:
services@thmsadaqagroup.org
admin@thmsadaqagroup.org
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Wa`alaykumus Salaam wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakaatuh

## Extra Benefits



FTSOnline Homework Helpers is designed to give enrolled students extra assistance once a week in an open forum every Monday morning from 11:00am - 12:00noon

For students who are not enrolled but having difficulties with understanding academic or Islamic subjects and who are not able to pay for a full course of classes; you may request a homework session of explanation in increments of 15-60 minutes.

All live session request must be made at least 24 hours in advance or request a tutorial for immediate assistance. Insha’Allah send request to services@thmsadaqagroup.org
\$2.00 http://www.thmsadaqagroup.org/apps/webstore/products/show/2811354

