Following are some interesting facts and basics about the Qur'an for Muslims and non-Muslim readers.

1. What is the meaning of the word "Qur'an"?

That which is Read

2. Where was the Qur'an revealed first?

In the cave of Hira (Makkah)

3. On which night was the Qur'an first revealed?

Lailatul-Qadr (Night of the Power) in the month of Ramadhan

4. Who revealed the Qur'an?

Allah revealed the Qur'an

5. Through whom was the Qur'an revealed?

Through Angel Jibreel (Gabriel)

6. To whom was the Qur'an revealed?

To the last Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him)

- 7. What was the age of Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) when Qur'an was first revealed to him through Angel Jibreel?
  40 Years
- 8. What was the interval between the first and the second revelation?

2 years and six months

9. How long did Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) received the revelation of the Qur'an in Makkah?

13 Years

10. How long did Prophet Muhammed (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) received the revelation of the Qur'an in Madinah?

10 Years

11. Where was the first Surah revealed?

In Makkah

12. Where was the last Surah revealed?

In Madinah

13. How many years did it take for the complete revelation of the Qur'an?

23 years

14. What are the conditions for holding or touching the Qur'an?

One has to be clean and recommended to be with Wudhu (ablution)

15. What are the other names of the Qur'an according to the Qur'an itself?

Al-Furqaan, Al-Kitaab, Al-Zikr, Al-Noor, Al-Huda

- 16. Which is the longest Surah (Chapter) in the Qur'an? Surah Al-Baqarah (chapter-2)
- 17. Which is the smallest Surah in the Qur'an? Surah Al-Kausar (chapter-108)
- 18. Which Surah (chapter) of the Qur'an is to be read compulsorily in each raka'at of the Salah (Prayer)?

  Surah Al-Fatihah (chapter-1)
- 19. Who was the only woman whose personal name is found in the Qur'an?

Maryam / Mary (mother of Jesus)

20. How many Makki Surahs (chapters) are there in the Qur'an?

86 chapters

21. How many Madani Surahs (chapters) are there in the Qur'an?

28 chapters

- 22. How many Manzils (stages) are there in the Qur'an? 7 stages
- 23. How many Para or Juz (parts) are there in the Qur'an? 30 parts
- 24. How many Surahs (chapters) are there in the Qur'an? 114 chapters
- 25. How many Rukoo (paragraphs) are there in the Qur'an? 540 paragraphs
- 26. Who is the first 'Haafiz' (memorizer) of the Qur'an?

Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him)

27. How many verses of Prostation (Sajda-e-Tilawat) are there in the Qur'an?

15 verses

28. In which Surah (chapter) do you find the first verse about Sajda (prostation)?

Surat Al-'A'raf Chapter-7 Verse-206

29. Where in the Qur'an has Prophet Muhammed (Sallallahu Alaihi Wasallam) been named 'Ahmad'?

Surah As-Saf Chapter-61 Verse-6

And [mention] when Jesus, the son of Mary, said, "O children of Israel, indeed I am the messenger of Allah to you confirming what came before me of the Torah and bringing good tidings of a messenger to come after me, whose name is **Ahmad**." But when he came to them with clear evidences, they said, "This is obvious magic."

30. Name the Prophet whose name is mentioned and discussed most in the Qur'an?

Prophet Musa (Moses)

- 31. Which chapter (surah) of the Qur'an was Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) reciting while praying, that Jubayr ibn Mut'im listened to and embraced Islam? Surah At-Tur (52nd chapter)
- 32. Which was the Surah of the Qur'an which the Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) had recited when one of his enemies Utba after listening to it fell in Sajda (prostation)? The first five verses of Surah Fussilat (chapter-41)
- 33. Who is the man about whom, Allah has said in the Qur'an that his body is kept as an admonishing example for future generations to come?

Fir'aun (Pharaoh)

34. Besides the body of Pharaoh, what is that thing which is kept as an admonishing example for future generations to come?

Noah's Ark

- 35. After the wreckage of Prophet Noah's Ark, which is its place of rest mentioned in the Qur'an?

  Mountain of Judi
- 36. In the Qur'an there is a mention of a Prophet who has been called by his mother's name. Who was he?

  Jesus [Prophet Isa (Alahis salaam)] is mentioned as Isa Ibn Maryam (Jesus the son of Mary)
- 37. Which was the agreement that was titled Fath-hum-Mubeen' without fighting a battle?

  Treaty of Hudaibiya
- 38. What are the different names used for Satan or Devil in the Qur'an?

Iblees and Ash-Shaitaan

- 39. Which category of creature does the Qur'an put 'Iblees' into?

  Jinn
- 40. What were those worships and prayers that were ordered by Allah to the community of Bani Israeel and which were continued by the Muslim Ummah also?

  Salaat and Zakaat
- 41. The Qur'an repeatedly warns of a certain day. Which day it is?

Yaumul Qiyamah (The Day of Judgment)

- 42. Who were those people with whom Allah was pleased and they were pleased with Him, as mentioned in the Qur'an? Companions of Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) [Quran 9:100]
- 43. Which Surah is regarded as the Heart of the Quran?

Surah Yaseen (chapter-36)

### 44. What is the scale or measure of one's dignity according to the Qur'an?

Thaqwa (Piety)

### 45. Where in the Quran water is pointed out as the origin of all life?

Surah Al-Anbya (chapter-21 verse-30)

Have those who disbelieved not considered that the heavens and the earth were a joined entity, and We separated them and made from water every living thing? Then will they not believe?

#### 46. Which is the Surah (Chapter) that does not start with Bismillah?

Surah At-Tawbah (chapter 9)

At-Tauba' or 'repentance', exposes the true qualities of the hypocrites and threatens them with a woeful doom. It can be likened to a stern warning made in the strongest terms. Hence, an opening, which stresses divine mercy and compassion, does not seem particularly fitting to the subject matter of the Surah. Therefore, Allah has not started with the phrase you have mentioned which begins every other Surah in the Qur'an. To recite this phrase at its beginning is forbidden because it constitutes an addition to the Qur'an which is not part of it.

# 47. In which Surah (Chapter) of the Qur'an Bismillah is repeated twice?

Surah An-Naml (chapter-27)

One in the beginning (verse-1) and other in the middle (verse-30)

## 48. How many Surahs (Chapters) in the Qur'an have the titles named after different Prophets?

- 6 Surahs:
- a) Surah al-Yunus (chapter-10)
- b) Surah al-Hud (chapter-11)
- c) Surah al-Yusuf (chapter-12)
- d) Surah al- Ibrahim (chapter-14)
- e) Surah al-Nuh (chapter-71)
- f) Surah al-Muhammad (chapter-47)

49. Who were the three non-prophets whose names are mentioned with due respect in the Qur'an?

Luqman, Aziz of Egypt and Zulqarnain

50. In which part of the Qur'an do you find 'Ayat-ul-Kursi' (Verse of the Throne)?

Surat Al-Baqarah (chapter-2 verse-255)

51. How many different names of Allah are mentioned in the Qur'an?

99 Names (visit 99 Names of Allah)

52. What will be our condition on 'The Day of the Judgement' according to the Qur'an?

Everybody will be in a state of anxiety (mentioned in chapter-79 verse-8)

53. Who was the Prophet mentioned in the Qur'an whose three generations were prophets?

Ibrahim (Alaihis-salaam)

- 54. What does the Qur'an say about property and wealth? They are tests of ones faith [2:155]
- 55. According to the Qur'an who is "khaatamun Nabiyyeen" (the last of the Prophets)?

Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him)

56. In the Qur'an what other name is given to the city of Makkah?

Bakkah [chapter-3 verse-96]

Baladul Ameen (the safe city) [chapter-95 verse-3]

Ummul Qura (mother of cities) [chapter-42 verse-7]

57. According to the Qur'an what other name is given to the city of Madinah?

Yathrib [chapter-33 verse-13]

58. Whose Generation is known as "Bani Israeel" according to the Qur'an?

The generation of Prophet Yaqoob (peace be upon him) who is also known as Israeel

59. Which verse in the Qur'an prohibits the consumption of alcohol?

Surah Al-Ma'idah [chapter-5 verse-90]

O you who have believed, indeed, intoxicants, gambling, [sacrificing on] stone alters [to other than Allah], and divining arrows are but defilement from the work of Satan, so avoid it that you may be successful.

60. What is the term used by Muslims for people who have completely memorized the Holy Qur'an?
Hafiz