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Quranic Sciences/ Unit 10 Quiz

(Muhkam & Mutashabih)

1. What do *Muhkam* and *Mutashabih* mean?

Muhkam: Impenetrable, Solid. In regards with Quran, it means the verses which have one clear and decisive meaning

Mutashabih: The verses of Quran which indecisive and indefinite meaning and can be interpreted in different ways.

2. Why does Quran contain some *Mutashbih* verses?

Here are a few reasons:

- Deficiency of worldly terms- Worldly language fall short when to describe the metaphysical concepts such as the attributes of God or the features of the world hereafter. Hence, on one hand Allah revealed the noble Quran in human language so they can understand, and on the other hand described the supernatural concepts using the worldly words and terms, which naturally resulted in metaphorical and figurative language, the main cause of *Mutashabihaat* in Quran,.
- Portraying the needs of educators- The existence of *Mutashabihaat* in Quran naturally demands Allah, to save people from confusion and misguidance, the appointment of some authorised teachers of Quran in every era who could determine and explain the indecisive texts appropriately without contradicting any tenets of the religion. And this is the meaning of the Hadith *Thaqalain*.

3. How to deal with *Mutashabih* verses?

If possible, refer to other verses of Quran to seek help in understanding of the any *Mutashabih* verse of Quran. Otherwise, simply check how Prophet Muhammad (saww) and Ahlulbat (as) have explained it.

4. Mention any examples of *Mutashabih* verses!

The use of "Arsh" and "Kursi" in Quran for Allah- for Allah these words mean kingdom and sovereignty.

5. Who knows the *Taweel* of Quran?

Taweel means the in-depth and comprehensive understanding of the Quran and its reality, which is exclusive with Allah and Raasikhon fil Ilm, Muhammad (saww) and Aali Muhammad (as).