

# Eid al-Adha

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## A lesson on sacrifice

1. Give each student in the class a treat. Some suggestions:
  - a. Bag of candy
  - b. Cookies
  - c. Popcorn
  - d. A nice book and pen
  - e. A pack of markers
2. Tell them that they are not allowed to open it right now, they should place it on their desk
3. Let it be on their desk for most of the lesson
4. Plan ahead in asking someone to knock on your classroom door towards the end of the lesson requesting some treats that the madrasah administration require
5. As a teacher, act like you have to think about it, and then ask all the students for their treats back so that you can give them to the Madrasah administration
6. Since the treats were sitting on their desks for a while, the students have grown some attachment to them and may be reluctant to let them go.
7. Give all the treats to the volunteer to take away from the classroom
8. Quietly ask the volunteer to return the treats in 5 minutes
9. Return the treats to the students

## **Discussion points**

1. How did you feel when you received the treat? Could you wait until you could open it and enjoy it?
2. How did you feel when it was taken away from you?
3. Imagine how Nabi Ibrahim felt when he was told to give up his own child that he loved so much
4. Talk about sacrifices we have to make in our own lives with our siblings, parents, grandparents friends and so on
5. Talk about sacrifices we have to make in our religion to please Allah, because in the end it is better for us but many times we don't realise it
6. Allow the students to share their experiences when they have had to make sacrifices