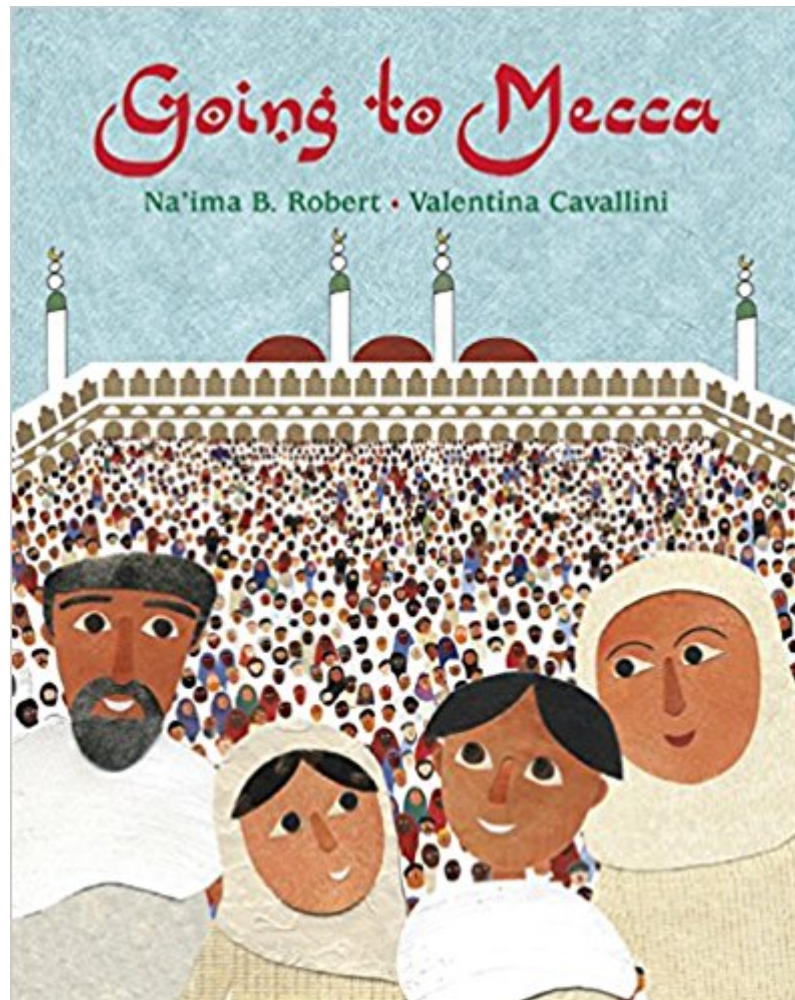


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Going To Mecca



Synopsis

"Come with the pilgrims as they set out on a journey, a journey of patience to the city of Mecca." We are led on the journey of a lifetime to the city of Mecca - the pilgrimage known to Muslims as the Hajj. The pilgrims walk with heads bare and feet in sandals; they call to Allah; they kiss or point to the Black Stone, as the Prophet did. Arriving at Mecca, they surge round the Ka'aba, shave their heads and travel to Mount Arafat. Finally, though their bodies are tired and aching, their spirits are uplifted, knowing that with thousands of others they have performed the sacred pilgrimage. This is a window on to a sacred journey for Muslims the world over - beautifully described and illustrated for younger children.

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Customer Reviews

That this is the best book for children on the Hajj is unfortunately not saying much. Literature on Islam for children tends to be horrendous. I was even speaking to someone who distributes children's titles on Islam and mentioned that she was embarrassed by some of the books that her company had for sale, but that they could not find anything better. Naima Roberts Going to Mecca is written in a smooth and flowing style. It covers all of the basics of the Hajj, but does not really give background history, i.e. why do Muslims go on Hajj in the first place. One will need to know a little bit about the Hajj in order to fill in the details for children. My children keep asking me what one thing is and then another. The appendix at the end is useful for these purposes. My children enjoy

reading this book on a regular basis, especially during Hajj season.

Being that there are so few Muslim children's books and even less on Hajj or Mecca, we kinda had to buy this. I haven't read Robert's Ramadan Moon but had read some of her other writing. I like the illustrations. The idea is cute that the reader is going on Hajj as well. But I found the writing a bit clunky. I ended up making up a story to go with the pictures rather than read what was on the page which was more of a description than a story. Glad to have more exposure in the book world but not a favorite. We only read it twice and probably will only bring it out at Hajj time.

I advice to have this book for kids, it explains how Mecca is important for Pilgrimage Muslims. Very good job

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