

ANGELS

GENERAL FEATURES

1. Angels are made of light (Noor)
2. They have no gender i.e. they are not male or female
3. Only Allah knows how many angels are there
4. It is KUFIR to deny their existence or insult them
5. They are innocent servants of Allah
6. They are free from all sorts of sins (Masoom)
7. They never disobey Allah Almighty
8. They are praising Allah Almighty all the time
9. They carry out Allah's commands in this world
10. They may adopt any form they like.

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GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. To bring revelations (Wahi)
2. To take life
3. To watch and record the human deeds (good and bad)
4. To enforce Allah's wrath and anger over sinful people
5. To bring Allah's Mercy and blessings for pious people
6. To run the affairs of the Heavens and the Hell
7. To distribute Allah's sustenance (Rizq)
8. To cause to rain
9. To formulate the physical features of the baby in the womb of the mother and infuse life (Rooh) into it
10. To provide general protection to Allah's servants.

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SOME OF THE PROMINENT ANGELS

The following four angels are the most exalted and chiefs of angels:

1. **JIBRAIL or JIBRIL** The angel of Revelation
2. **ISRAFIL** Whose blast from the horn will shatter the creation on the day of judgement
3. **MIKAIL** In charge of Rain and Sustenance (Rizq)
4. **IZRAIL** The angel of Death

Some other famous angels are:

5. **KIRAMAN KATIBEEN** The two angels recording our deeds
6. **MUNKAR NAKEER** The two angels who ask questions in the grave
7. **RIZWAN** The angel who is in charge of the Heavens
8. **MALIK** The angel who is in charge of the Hell.

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ANGELS IN THE QUR'AN - A

1. Behold, as for those who deny the Truth and die as deniers, their due is rejection by Allah, and by the angels and by all (righteous) men. (Al Baqarah – 2, Verse 161)
2. And before Allah prostrates itself all that is in the heavens and all that is on earth – every beast that moves and the angels. (An-Nahl – 16, Verse 49)
3. Allah chooses message bearers from among the angels as well as from among men. (Al-Hajj – 22, Verse 75)
4. Say: (One day) the angel of death who has been given charge of you will take your life and then your will be brought back to your Lord. (As-Sajdah – 32, Verse, 11)
5. It is He, who bestows His blessings upon you with His angels. (Al-Ahzab – 33, Verse 43)
6. Verily Allah and His angels bless the Prophet. (Al-Ahzab – 33, Verse 56)

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ANGELS IN THE QUR'AN - B

7. And those who were conscious of their Lord, will proceed towards paradise in great numbers, and when they reach it, they shall find its gates wide open and its keepers (angels) will say to them, "Peace be upon you! Well have you done, enter this (Paradise) herein to abide. (Az-Zumar – 39, Verse 73)

8. They who hold the throne of (Allah's) Almightyness, as well as all who are near it, praise their Lord's glory and have faith in Him and ask forgiveness for the believers. (Al-Mumin – 40, Verse 7)

9. And we have appointed none but angels to exercise control over the fire (of hell). (Al-Muddassir – 74, Verse 31)

10. And verily, there are ever-watchful (angels) with you, noble recorders, aware of whatever you do. (Al-Infitar – 82, Verse 10-12)

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ANGELS IN HADITH - A

1. If Allah loves a person, He calls JIBRAIL (Gabriel) saying, Allah loves o and so, O Jibrail! Love him. Jibrail would love him and make an announcement amongst the inhabitants of the Heaven: Allah loves so and so, therefore you should love hi also, and so all the inhabitants of the Heaven would love him and then he is granted the pleasure of the people of the earth.
(Abu Hurairah – Bukhari)
2. On every Friday the angels take their stand at every gate of the Mosque to write the names of the people according to the time of their arrival for Friday Prayer and when the Imam sits (on the pulpit for Khutba) they fold up their scrolls and get ready to listen to the Sermon. (Abu Hurairah – Bukhari)
3. O Ayesha! This is Jibrail and he sends his greetings to you. Ayesha said, “Greetings to him and Allah’s mercy and blessing be on him.” and addressing to the Prophet she said “you see what I don’t see.”

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ANGELS IN HADITH - B

4. Angels keep on descending from and ascending to the Heaven in turn, some at night and some by daytime and all of them assemble together at the time of FAJR and ASR prayers. Then those who have stayed with you over night, ascent unto Allah, Who asks them –and He knows the answer better- “How have you left my servant?” They reply, “We have left them praying as we found them praying.” (Abu Hurairah – Bukhari)

5. Angels (of mercy) do not enter a house wherein there is a dog or a picture of a living creature (a human being or an animal).
(Abu Talha – Bukhari)

6. Hazrat Abdullah Ibn Mas’ud said that the Prophet (Peace be upon him) had seen JIBRAIL having 600 wings.
(Zir Bin Hubaish – Bukhari)