Habib Ul Quraan

NATIONAL SEERAH COMPETITION 2027

Category B
Zad ut-Talibeen

زَادُ الطَّالِبِينَ

Ages 16-20
First 50 Ahadith - Arabic and English meaning

Contestant learning pack - typeset edition
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Prescribed Ahadith

Zad ut-Talibeen 1-50

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HADITH 01

الدِّينُ النَّصِيحَةُ

English meaning
The Religion (Islam) is to act with sincerity (Muslim).

HADITH 02

الدُّعَاءُ مُخُّ الْعِبَادَةِ

English meaning
Supplication is the essence of worship (Bukhārī).

HADITH 03

الْمَرْءُ مَعَ مَنْ أَحَبَّ

English meaning
A person will be with whom he loves (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 04

الْأَنَاةُ مِنَ اللَّهِ وَالْعَجَلَةُ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ

English meaning
Calmness and patient deliberation is from Allāh and haste is from Satan (Tirmidhī).

HADITH 05

الْمَجَالِسُ بِالْأَمَانَةِ

English meaning
Gatherings are to be kept in confidence (Abū Dāwūd).

HADITH 06

الْحَيَاءُ شُعْبَةٌ مِنَ الْإِيمَانِ

English meaning
Modesty is a branch of faith (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 07

الْخَمْرُ جِمَاعُ الْإِثْمِ

English meaning
Alcohol constitutes many sins (Razīn).

HADITH 08

الْمُؤْمِنُ غِرٌّ كَرِيمٌ، وَالْفَاجِرُ خَبٌّ لَئِيمٌ

English meaning
A believer is simple and noble and a transgressor is deceitful and ignoble (Abū Dāwūd, Tirmidhī).

HADITH 09

الظُّلْمُ ظُلُمَاتٌ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

English meaning
Oppression will be darknesses on the Day of Judgment (Bukhārī).

HADITH 10

الدُّنْيَا سِجْنُ الْمُؤْمِنِ وَجَنَّةُ الْكَافِرِ

English meaning
The world is a prison for the believer and a paradise for the unbeliever (Muslim, Tirmidhī).

HADITH 11

الْيَدُ الْعُلْيَا خَيْرٌ مِنَ الْيَدِ السُّفْلَى

English meaning
The upper [giving] hand is superior to the lower [taking] hand (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 12

الطُّهُورُ شَطْرُ الْإِيمَانِ

English meaning
Purity is half of faith (Muslim).

HADITH 13

الْجَرَسُ مَزَامِيرُ الشَّيْطَانِ

English meaning
Bells are the flutes of Satan (Muslim).

HADITH 14

الطَّاعِمُ الشَّاكِرُ كَالصَّائِمِ الصَّابِرِ

English meaning
The one who eats and is thankful is like the one who fasts and is patient (Tirmidhī, Dāramī).

HADITH 15

الْبَادِئُ بِالسَّلَامِ بَرِيءٌ مِنَ الْكِبْرِ

English meaning
The one who initiates the salām is free of pride (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 16

السِّوَاكُ مَطْهَرَةٌ لِلْفَمِ مَرْضَاةٌ لِلرَّبِّ

English meaning
The tooth-stick purifies the mouth and pleases the Lord (Bukhārī without a chain [taʿlīqan], Nasā'ī, Dāramī).

HADITH 17

الْغِيبَةُ أَشَدُّ مِنَ الزِّنَا

English meaning
Backbiting is worse than unlawful intercourse (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 18

الْقُرْآنُ حُجَّةٌ لَكَ أَوْ عَلَيْكَ

English meaning
The Qur’ān will either be evidence for you or against you (Muslim).

HADITH 19

النِّسَاءُ حَبَائِلُ الشَّيْطَانِ

English meaning
Women are the snares of Satan (Razīn).

HADITH 20

التَّائِبُ مِنَ الذَّنْبِ كَمَنْ لَا ذَنْبَ لَهُ

English meaning
One who repents from sin is like one who has no sin (Ibn Māja, Ṭabarānī, Al-Muʿjam al-kabīr).

HADITH 21

الِاقْتِصَادُ فِي النَّفَقَةِ نِصْفُ الْمَعِيشَةِ، وَالتَّوَدُّدُ إِلَى النَّاسِ نِصْفُ الْعَقْلِ، وَحُسْنُ السُّؤَالِ نِصْفُ الْعِلْمِ

English meaning
Moderation in spending is half of [one’s] sustenance, friendliness toward people is half of [one’s] intelligence, and asking good questions is half of [one’s] knowledge (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 22

الْكَيِّسُ مَنْ دَانَ نَفْسَهُ وَعَمِلَ لِمَا بَعْدَ الْمَوْتِ، وَالْعَاجِزُ مَنْ أَتْبَعَ نَفْسَهُ هَوَاهَا وَتَمَنَّى عَلَى اللَّهِ

English meaning
The intelligent one is he who has subdued his lower self and who has worked for what comes after death, and the stupid one is he who has put his lower self in pursuance of its desires and who has vain hopes about Allāh (Tirmidhī, Ibn Māja).

HADITH 23

الْمُؤْمِنُ مَأْلَفٌ، وَلَا خَيْرَ فِيمَنْ لَا يَأْلَفُ وَلَا يُؤْلَفُ

English meaning
The believer is one who is sociable [with others], and there is no good in one who is not sociable [with others] nor in one who is not met sociably [by them] (Mustadrak, Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al- īmān).

HADITH 24

الْغِنَاءُ يُنْبِتُ النِّفَاقَ فِي الْقَلْبِ كَمَا يُنْبِتُ الْمَاءُ الزَّرْعَ

English meaning
Songs make hypocrisy grow in the heart just as water makes crops grow (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 25

التُّجَّارُ يُحْشَرُونَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ فُجَّارًا إِلَّا مَنِ اتَّقَى وَبَرَّ وَصَدَقَ

English meaning
Traders will be gathered on the Day of Judgement as transgressors, except those who feared Allāh, were righteous [in their oaths], and spoke the truth (Tirmidhī, Ibn Māja, Dāramī).

HADITH 26

التَّاجِرُ الصَّدُوقُ الْأَمِينُ مَعَ النَّبِيِّينَ وَالصِّدِّيقِينَ وَالشُّهَدَاءِ

English meaning
A truthful and trustworthy trader will be in the company of the prophets, the very truthful, and the martyrs (Tirmidhī, Dāramī, Dāraquṭnī).

HADITH 27

آيَةُ الْمُنَافِقِ ثَلَاثٌ: إِذَا حَدَّثَ كَذَبَ، وَإِذَا وَعَدَ أَخْلَفَ، وَإِذَا اؤْتُمِنَ خَانَ

English meaning
The signs of a hypocrite are three: when he speaks he lies, when he makes a promises he breaks it, and when he is trusted he betrays the trust (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 28

الْكَبَائِرُ: الْإِشْرَاكُ بِاللَّهِ، وَعُقُوقُ الْوَالِدَيْنِ، وَقَتْلُ النَّفْسِ، وَالْيَمِينُ الْغَمُوسُ

English meaning
The major sins are worshipping others besides Allāh, disobeying parents, killing a human being [unlawfully], and the immersing oath (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 29

الْبِرُّ حُسْنُ الْخُلُقِ، وَالْإِثْمُ مَا حَاكَ فِي صَدْرِكَ وَكَرِهْتَ أَنْ يَطَّلِعَ عَلَيْهِ النَّاسُ

English meaning
Righteousness is good character, and sin is what causes uneasiness in your heart and what you dislike others to become aware of (Muslim, Tirmidhī).

HADITH 30

الْخَلْقُ عِيَالُ اللَّهِ، فَأَحَبُّ الْخَلْقِ إِلَى اللَّهِ مَنْ أَحْسَنَ إِلَى عِيَالِهِ

English meaning
All created beings are Allāh's dependants, and the most beloved of creation to Allāh is the one who is good to His dependants (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 31

الْمُسْلِمُ مَنْ سَلِمَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ مِنْ لِسَانِهِ وَيَدِهِ

English meaning
A [true] Muslim is he from whose tongue and hand other believers remain safe (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 32

وَالْمُؤْمِنُ مَنْ أَمِنَهُ النَّاسُ عَلَى دِمَائِهِمْ وَأَمْوَالِهِمْ

English meaning
And a [true] believer is he whom people trust with their lives and possessions (Tirmidhī).

HADITH 33

وَالْمُجَاهِدُ مَنْ جَاهَدَ نَفْسَهُ فِي طَاعَةِ اللَّهِ

English meaning
And a [true] warrior is one who exerts himself in obedience to Allāh (Aḥmad, Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 34

وَالْمُهَاجِرُ مَنْ هَجَرَ الْخَطَايَا وَالذُّنُوبَ

English meaning
And a [true] emigrant is he who abandons all wrongs and sins (Aḥmad, Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 35

الْبَيِّنَةُ عَلَى الْمُدَّعِي، وَالْيَمِينُ عَلَى الْمُدَّعَى عَلَيْهِ

English meaning
The burden of proof is on the accuser and swearing the oath is on the one accused (Bayhaqī).

HADITH 36

الْمُؤْمِنُ مِرْآةُ الْمُؤْمِنِ، وَالْمُؤْمِنُ أَخُو الْمُؤْمِنِ، يَكُفُّ عَلَيْهِ ضَيْعَتَهُ وَيَحُوطُهُ مِنْ وَرَائِهِ

English meaning
A believer is a mirror for a believer, and a believer is the brother of a believer; he safeguards him from destruction and protects him in his absence (Abū Dāwūd, Tirmidhī, Bukhārī, Al-Adab al- Mufrad).

HADITH 37

الْمُؤْمِنُونَ كَرَجُلٍ وَاحِدٍ؛ إِنِ اشْتَكَى عَيْنَهُ اشْتَكَى كُلُّهُ، وَإِنِ اشْتَكَى رَأْسَهُ اشْتَكَى كُلُّهُ

English meaning
Believers are like a single person; if his eye is in pain his whole body pains, and if his head is in pain his whole body pains (Muslim).

HADITH 38

السَّفَرُ قِطْعَةٌ مِنَ الْعَذَابِ، يَمْنَعُ أَحَدَكُمْ نَوْمَهُ وَطَعَامَهُ وَشَرَابَهُ، فَإِذَا قَضَى أَحَدُكُمْ نَهْمَتَهُ مِنْ وَجْهِهِ فَلْيُعَجِّلْ إِلَى أَهْلِهِ

English meaning
Travelling involves a degree of punishment; it deprives one of his sleep, food, and drink. Therefore, when one has accomplished his purpose at his destination, he should hurry back to his family (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 39

قَفْلَةٌ كَغَزْوَةٍ

English meaning
The return from battle is like the battle itself [in reward] (Abū Dāwūd).

HADITH 40

سَيِّدُ الْقَوْمِ فِي السَّفَرِ خَادِمُهُمْ

English meaning
On a journey, the leader of the group is their servant (Ibn Māja, Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 41

طَلَبُ الْعِلْمِ فَرِيضَةٌ عَلَى كُلِّ مُسْلِمٍ

English meaning
To seek sacred knowledge is an obligation on every Muslim (Ibn Māja).

HADITH 42

أَصْدَقُ الرُّؤْيَا بِالْأَسْحَارِ

English meaning
The most truthful dreams are [seen] just before dawn (Tirmidhī).

HADITH 43

خَيْرُكُمْ مَنْ تَعَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ وَعَلَّمَهُ

English meaning
The best among you is he who learns the Qur’ān and teaches it (Bukhārī).

HADITH 44

أَحَبُّ الْأَعْمَالِ إِلَى اللَّهِ أَدْوَمُهَا وَإِنْ قَلَّ

English meaning
The most beloved actions in the sight of Allāh are the regular ones, even if they amount to little in quantity (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 45

مَطْلُ الْغَنِيِّ ظُلْمٌ

English meaning
Delay in the repayment of debt by a wealthy person is a form of oppression (Bukhārī, Muslim).

HADITH 46

حُبُّكَ الشَّيْءَ يُعْمِي وَيُصِمُّ

English meaning
Your love for something blinds and deafens (Abū Dāwūd, Aḥmad).

HADITH 47

مَا قَلَّ وَكَفَى خَيْرٌ مِمَّا كَثُرَ وَأَلْهَى

English meaning
What is little but sufficient is better than that which is abundant but causes heedlessness (Ibn Ḥibbān).

HADITH 48

طَلَبُ كَسْبِ الْحَلَالِ فَرِيضَةٌ بَعْدَ الْفَرِيضَةِ

English meaning
To seek lawful earnings is an obligatory duty following other obligatory duties (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 49

حُبُّ الدُّنْيَا رَأْسُ كُلِّ خَطِيئَةٍ

English meaning
Love of this world is the origin of all sin (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

HADITH 50

أَفْضَلُ الصَّدَقَةِ أَنْ تُشْبِعَ كَبِدًا جَائِعًا

English meaning
The most virtuous charity is that you satisfy a hungry stomach (Bayhaqī, Shuʿab al-īmān).

Preparation standard: Know the Arabic wording, the complete English meaning and the main lesson. Practise with a teacher using random starting prompts.