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Decode the Secret Message

An extension of "Our Singapore: Friday Prayer"

A. COMPLETE THE STATEMENTS

Browse through "One Singapore: Friday Prayer" at <http://www.whatsup.sg/oursingapore/FridayPrayer.htm>. Then, complete the statements below by circling the letters next to the correct responses.

- The most common symbol of Islam is the
[f] star and crescent. [g] cross. [h] six-pointed star.
- An ablution centre is used for
[l] ritual washing. [m] minding children. [n] praying.
- Muslims are expected to pray
[r] five times a week. [s] five times a day. [t] five times a month.
- The prayer and worship leader of a mosque is called the
[w] bishop. [x] swami. [y] imam.
- When praying, Muslims press their foreheads, noses and palms to the ground to show their
[s] athletic ability. [t] humility while praising God. [u] love for the Earth.
- The niche in the wall of a mosque that indicates the direction of Mecca is called a
[l] mimbar. [m] wudu. [n] mihrab.
- Hajj is the important pilgrimage to:
[h] Jerusalem, Israel. [i] Mecca, Saudi Arabia. [j] Jerusalem, Saudi Arabia.
- A typical feature of Islamic architecture is
[i] a set of stained-glass windows. [j] a tower of large bells. [k] a series of pointy arches.

B. DECODE THE SECRET MESSAGE

Transfer the circled letters above to the corresponding boxes in the grid below to complete what well-known author C.S. Lewis said about humility: "Humility is not thinking less of yourself but..."

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Think about what this saying really means. Then, share your thoughts with your class.



ANSWERS

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1. [f] star and crescent.
2. [l] ritual washing.
3. [s] five times a day.
4. [y] imam.
5. [t] humility while praising God.
6. [n] mihrab.
7. [i] Mecca, Saudi Arabia.
8. [k] a series of pointy arches.

B. C.S. Lewis said: "Humility is not thinking less of yourself but..."

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