

# Billy the Beaver

Learns Allah's Name al-Qadir

I'M LEARNING ALLAH'S NAMES

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## Dear Parents and Educators,

It is very important that our children are introduced to concepts of faith at a young age so that when they grow up, they can use these concepts to make sense of the things they experience. With this idea in mind, we set out to prepare this series, "I'm Learning Allah's Names". We tried to open a window to the names of Allah from the world of children using the animal heroes and their adventures in the stories. In the last pages of our books, you will also find questions and pictures which can be used to ensure that your children understand the concepts introduced in the book. There are also discussion topics under the "explain to your children/ask them" heading.

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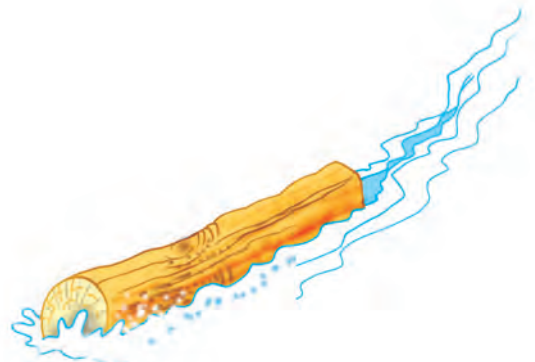


## I AM A BEAVER!

We beavers choose to make our homes in rivers. Our homes can be found in the dams we make across rivers. I do not think there is anyone who does not know that we are excellent builders! We cut down trees with our sharp teeth. Then we move those trees one by one into the river. Soon the water is blocked. It makes something like a swimming pool!

We raise our babies in the nests that we build. We add the trees, and the mortar that we make from mud. We sometimes throw leaves in too. This makes our nest nice and strong. If you look at our nests from the outside they might look messy. However, inside you can find all the comforts of home. Our nests also have two doors, so that we can easily get out if trouble comes.

Our family ties are very strong. We attach a lot of importance to sharing household chores.







One day, the Beaver family was hard at work by the side of a river.

A little beaver named Billy yelled out, "Here it comes!"

But before he could be heard the huge tree had already fallen into the river. Billy's father scolded him: "Billy! How many times have I told you to warn me when the trees are about to fall? I was about to stand under it!"







Billy began to gnaw on another tree.  
Chomp! Chomp! Chomp!

As he did he said to his father, "I'm sorry Dad! But what can I do? As soon as I see a tree I want to start chewing on it. I want to make it fall down!"

But his father warned him: "Take it easy! If you gnaw too fast you might break your teeth!"

Billy just giggled when he heard this. "Come on Dad! You are only on your third tree, but I'm on my fifth! If you don't catch up, I'm going to be the champion today!"

