

THE SPIDER

WITH THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST GRACIOUS, MOST MERCIFUL.

Many different kinds of spiders have been created by our Rabb and he taught them to build their own houses.
The house of a spider is a wonderful sign of creation.

A parable of the spider's house is given in Sura al- Ankabut (ch. 29):
verse 41:-

"The parable of those who take protectors other than Allah is that of the spider, who builds (to itself) a house; but truly the flimsiest of houses is the spider's house; --- if they but knew."

The house of the spider can be broken down quite easily. Similarly, the 'house of false gods and the false materialistic life-style' is also flimsy.

The spider's web is made up of fine silk threads spun out of the spider's body.

A spider knows it had caught its prey by the vibrations in the web.

Allah (S.W.T.) has provided it with poisonous fangs in order that it may sting its prey if it is too big.

Insects cannot move fast enough in the web, but the spider can because its feet have been given an oily layer.

Worksheet

1) Why is it possible for a spider to move swiftly in its web?

2) How does a spider know it has caught an insect?

3) What does a spider do if the insect is too big?
