

BEAUTY ON EARTH

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PART 1: READ

إِنَّا جَعَلْنَا مَا عَلَى الْأَرْضِ زِينَةً لَّهَا لِنَبْلُوهُمْ أَيُّهُمْ أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا

18:7 (Asad) Behold, We have willed that all beauty on earth be a means by which we put men to a test, [showing] which of them are best in conduct;

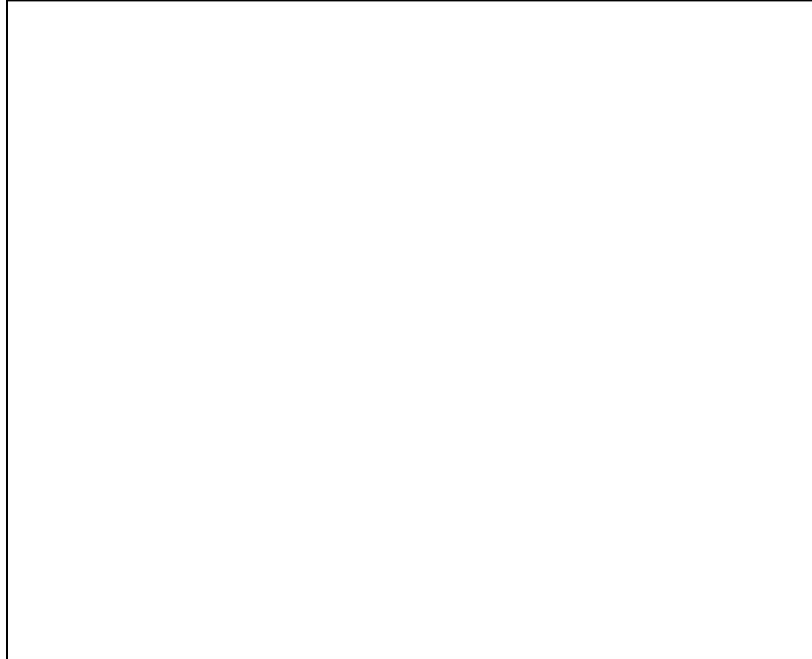
PART 2: LEARN





- 1) What do these photos have in common?
- 2) Locate 5 beautiful photos

- 3) Which one is the most beautiful?
- 4) Describe the Rock Cycle Diagram, in your own words
- 5) In the box given below, draw a beautiful scene you saw recently



Read the following poem and then write one similar to it, about the beauty on earth.

What a wonderful joy it is to see,
the beauty of nature and its majesty.

Everything blends, entwines and embraces,
Spaced precisely in their designated places.

What a marvel to see, I wish I were a bee, Flying free,
Smelling life's roses, no particular place to be.

How can it be, such a marvel to see
When it's possessed by such as you and me?

Ours to have, cherish, and protect,
not to pollute, take for granted, nor neglect.

Enjoy the earth, treat it kind
After all it is ours, yes... yours and mine.

Reference:

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Beautiful Earth (what a marvelous thing)

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PART 3: THINK & CONNECT

Allah, the Provider, gave us whatever we need to live: health, shelter, food, water ... etc. According to Muslim "Allah is beautiful and He loves beauty" Allah is beautiful in essence, attributes and deeds.

Allah, the Merciful, made his creation beautiful for us, not only to use but also to enjoy. You see beauty in each creation separately; and you also see beauty when different creations interface with each other. Waves are beautiful; the beach is also beautiful but when the waves meet the beach you can see double beauty. When you add tropical trees, you get triple beauty. This happens in all creations: land, water, air, plants, living things and stars.

Allah, the Know legible, knows our needs better because He is the One who created us and created our needs. He did not give us a boring universe but He created for us a fascinating universe where energy and matter are continuously changing and boredom no more.

Allah, the Just, never stop giving to all, to those who believe in Him and those who don't.

Allah, the Great, dignified the human race by giving them "the mind" to use and requested them to build, not destroy; do ta'meer not tadmeer. It is true that Allah, the Wise of the wisest, made everything in the universe subservient to Man but it is also true that Allah will hold people responsible for their actions during their lifetime.

Thank you Allah; you gave us the eyes to see and appreciate beauty in your creation. As we continue to enjoy His blessings, it is prudent to thank Him and follow His Guidance to the best of our ability.