

## Lesson 5: What Breaks the Prayer?

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### **1. Introduction:**

He used to say:

A man's prayer is cut off when there is nothing such as the end of a saddle in front of him, by: a [menstruating] woman, a donkey or a black dog.  
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### **2. Overview:**

***You should be able to answer the following questions after this lesson:***

- What breaks the prayer, i.e. renders it futile?

### **3. Reading:**

Read "Prophet's Prayer Described," section:

What Breaks the Prayer, page 9.

### **4. Terms to Know:**

***Find and write the following terms/phrases in Arabic (as used in the reading) in your notebook.***

You may have to consult the Arabic text of any ahadith or a dictionary.

cut off  
menstruation/menstruating woman  
donkey  
black dog

### **5. Think about It!**

***Answer the question ( in your notebook) from the Overview section. Be sure to include any hadith or ayaat as proof where necessary.***

### **6. Explore!**

Can you name something else that breaks the prayer?

## **7. Hifz (Memorize)**

***Memorize the following:***

A man's prayer is cut off when there is nothing such as the end of a saddle in front of him, by: a [menstruating] woman, a donkey or a black dog. (Muslim)

If possible, learn in Arabic.

Add the Hifz Card below to your Hifz Box and review it regularly.

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**Q: What Breaks the Prayer?**

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**A:** Not having a sutrah, a menstruating woman, a donkey, a black dog.

**Proof:**

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