

The Gift of Ramadan by Rabiah York Lumbard Illustrated by Laura K. Horton

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*Age Range: 4–8 (Suggested by Publisher)

Grade Range: 2–5 (Recommended by School Library Journal)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

A touching exploration of religious fasting from the perspective of a young Muslim girl.

Sophia wants to fast for Ramadan this year. Her grandma tells her that fasting helps make a person sparkly—and Sophia loves sparkles. But when her attempt at fasting fails, Sophia must find another way to participate. This lovely multigenerational family story explores the many ways to take part in the Ramadan holiday.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"A child-friendly and –centric look at this important observance." — Kirkus Reviews

"Highly recommended to introduce young readers to Islamic culture and traditions; a perfect addition to holiday book collections." — <u>School Library Journal</u>

*A NOTE ON AGE RANGES

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