**Rise of Islam Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[From Mecca to Medina: The life of Muhammad and the emergence of Islam - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/ancient-history/rise-of-islam-reading/)

1. What does the term "Jahiliyyah" refer to, and what characterized this period in Arabia?
2. What was the significance of tribal affiliations in Pre-Islamic Arabia?
3. How did women's roles and status vary among tribes in Pre-Islamic Arabia?
4. What was the original purpose of the Kaaba in Mecca?
5. What were the main economic activities in Pre-Islamic Arabia?
6. When and where was Muhammad born, and what tribe was he a part of?
7. What was Muhammad's nickname, and why was he given this name?
8. What significant event happened to Muhammad at the age of 40?
9. What is the Hijra, and why is it important in Islamic history?
10. How did Muhammad contribute to the governance of Medina?
11. What actions did Muhammad take in Mecca in 630 CE?
12. What are the Qur'an and Hadith, and how do they complement each other?
13. How were the revelations of the Qur'an preserved?
14. What role did trade play in the spread of Islam?
15. How did Islam interact with local traditions as it spread to new regions?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you have learnt in your reading, write a paragraph answer to the following question:

*What changes did Muhammad bring to the Arabs?*