

SIGHTING THE MOON *Night Before*

LESSON

Ramadan begins at the sighting of the crescent (waxing) moon. The Islamic calendar is based on the lunar cycle, therefore, the dates of Ramadan change each year, depending on the moon.

The moon sighting takes place on the 29th of Sha'ban and signifies the start of the holy month of Ramadan in the Muslim calendar. We can attempt to sight the moon from wherever we live!



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"The month (can be) 29 nights, and do not fast till you see the moon, and if the sky is overcast, then complete Sha'ban as thirty days."

Hadith: Sahih Bukhari 1907

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