

GCP Mega Resources List: Links, videos, documents & materials....

MEGA LIST of USEFUL RESOURCES! Links, documents, materials and films on the Ghazali Children's Project.

Many important resources are on the Official Ghazali Children's website: <https://www.ghazalichildren.org>

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You can GET all the books either printed or PDF/ebooks here: <https://fonsvitae.com/product-category/ghazali-project/>

We recommend buying a few of the books and seeing if they work for you.

If you want to set a pilot school up just request and fill out the Pilot school form to let us know of your existence, nothing else to be done.

Sharing materials with the Searchable database: <https://ghazalichildren.org/document-library/>

However we encourage (it's not mandatory) these pilot schools, parents and teachers and people to share lesson plans, activities, art, quizzes and any materials they devise- with us – by emailing us–, so that we can share it with the whole network on the searchable database on the GhazaliChildren.org website.

—— **RESOURCES:**

Please find below many links, documents, resources and films on the Ghazali Children's Project.

1) Scholars, parents and teachers on the Ghazali Children's Project <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Czwvo-pERRk>

2) Starting a homeschool? The video of the Hub Club Pilot school in Solihull and their approach (Sister Adeeba Ahmed) is here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0leWEVRUYks> (important)

3) POLISHING THE HEART –DOCUMENTARY FILM (30 mins) on the PROJECT: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IsRXM7d0mU8>

4) Al Ghazali Seri Anak Indonesia — “The Past, Present, and Future of the Al-Ghazali Children Project with Virginia Gray Henry”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sly38fCkeb0>

5) Polishing the mirror – Live session with Sister Aisha Gray Henry (Radiant Hearts Online)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ykiB4cyEYpk>

6) The Basic Foundational Principles | Al Ghazali for Children (Session 1) (Muslim Community Center – MCC East Bay)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GoJ-mt9jDpw&t=2s>

7) Ghazali Children Youtube Channel (many video resources): <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKoxSQZFq-g2s2E9CHrQHVw>

The Fons Vitae Ghazali Children’s project – 2 Important videos to watch:

WATCH the short video: “**What is the Ghazali Children’s Project?**“

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T48biiU-zW4>

WATCH: ‘**POLISHING THE HEART**’ – a major new Ghazali Children’s documentary on the Project and Muslim children’s education.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IsRXM7d0mU8>

Much more info and resources as well as information about the books and buying them (printed or ebooks) here (Fons Vitae ships worldwide): <https://fonsvitae.com/product-category/ghazali-project/>

Ghazali’s teachings distilled for children explain how the outer aspects of Islam can, through their inner spiritually transformative meanings, change every situation into one which strengthens the innate human nobility of character. The Prophet Mohammad said, “I was only sent to perfect good character”.

The Fons Vitae Ghazali Children’s Series provides authentic quality guidance for children of all ages at a time when their values are being formed. Imam al-Ghazali’s systematic approach for developing virtuous character is provided in an educational package which includes beautifully produced children’s books, source texts for parents and teachers, These materials offer a creative, enjoyable and spiritual supplement or alternative to standard Islamic Studies curricula with a strong focus on the purification of the heart.

Aims and objectives: the Ghazali Children’s project

Fons Vitae has taken on the monumental task of bringing out Imam al-Ghazali’s magnum opus, “The Revival of the Religious Sciences” based on the 2011 Dar al-Minhaj critical Arabic edition, as an educational package re-crafted for families and schools. Each translation of the 40 books will be accompanied by an adaptation for children as well as

workbooks with activities and a school curriculum, all supported by an interactive parent-children's website and Pilot School Program.

Over the centuries, the Ihya has been regarded as the greatest compendium of Islamic spirituality and ethical behavior for everyday life. It lays down practical teachings and explains how the outer aspects of Islam can, through their inner spiritually transformative meanings, change every situation into one which strengthens the innate human nobility of character. The Prophet Mohammad said, "I was only sent to perfect good character".

The aim of the Ghazali Children's Project materials is to support children:

- in their ability to recognize and maintain their innate human dignity.
- in realizing nobility of character through imitation of the Prophetic qualities realized by understanding, loving, and practicing the inner dimensions of all outward acts – to stop simply just "going through the motions".
- in becoming aware of their True Selves and in identifying with this pure aspect of their being rather than with the lower, false, egoic and separative nature which is centered on itself [al-nafs alammara].
- in becoming self-observant and self-correcting.
- in living life with humility and in service.

Follow the Ghazali Children's Project on Social Media for regular news & updates:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GhazaliChildren/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/fonsvitaebbooks/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/GhazaliKids>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/@ghazalichildren>

"This work is nothing less than a revolution in developing humane, ethical, and committed Muslim youth. Imam al-Ghazali is the "Proof of Islam", and these teachings, presented in a beautiful life-affirming way, will prove to be a major shift in the way Islam is taught to young people, who are in desperate need of guidance in today's confusing times. As a community, we owe much to Fons Vitae for bringing them to fruition. Let the transformation begin!" – Shaykh Hamza Yusuf

KEY RESOURCES:

1) INTRO: Ghazali Children's Project – Links, Films & Resources: http://ghazalichildren.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Ghazali-Children-Resources-Intro-2_12_2019-PDF-1.pdf

2) Ghazali Children's Pilot School – Videos, Answers to Questions & Resources: http://ghazalichildren.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/v5-pics-12_30_2019_Ghazali-Children-Pilot-School-Resources.pdf

3) Official website: www.GhazaliChildren.org

4) View SAMPLE pages:

Books of Purity for Children: <https://mobissue.com/uqoz/mlxh>

Book of Knowledge for Children: <https://bit.ly/2JLLXOP>

5) For online learning please check out a partner of ours: <https://radianthearts.org/> Radiant Hearts Online learning academy.

Pilot Schools – The Hub Club

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The Ghazali Children Resource Library (GCRL) Searchable database: <https://ghazalichildren.org/document-library/>

The Ghazali Children Resource Library (GCRL) is an ever expanding storehouse of contributed supplementary materials created by a worldwide network of enthusiastic and engaged parents, pilot schools and educators who share resources with each other.

The Fons Vitae Ghazali Children's project plants the seed with its books, core curricula and extensive foundational resources, lesson plans, videos etc. Now a growing network of contributors are creatively adding to these resources with materials suiting different ages, cultures and contexts- and developed through actual experience interacting with children. Parents and Pilot schools dream up new games, lesson plans and learning aids and want to share these developments with everyone else on the network. They email us all their files. The GCRL is the way to collect this in one place. The database is now available on the GhazaliChildren.org website at: Searchable database: <https://ghazalichildren.org/document-library/>

“The Imam Ghazali Children's Series is a gift to our children who deserve a pedagogy of Islam that allows them to develop the innate goodness which God has placed within each human being so they can become moral, kind and happy adults.” – Professor Ingrid Mattson

A Note on AGE APPROPRIATENESS for the Ghazali Children's series:

The books are appropriate from ages 5-14 to adulthood depending on various considerations. Parents and teachers often recast teachings to make them relevant to

different ages and contexts. Each book set includes: 1) The Adult translation, which is a parent/teacher book. This is for adults. 2) The Children's book can be read by or to children from 6/7 years old up to adulthood. This can also be read by adults to younger children, say 5 years olds. 3) The Children's Workbook contains readings and exercises to be done by children from 6/7 years old up to adults.

Parents, teachers and schools like the Hub Club in Solihull (see the Ghazali Project film on this Pilot school) have the teachers of each age group make an age related lesson plan. Parents use the stories with 4-5 year olds by telling them these stories at their level. Ages 6/7 to adulthood is fine for all the children's materials. Teenagers are often asked to teach the younger ones. [Note: Books 1-2 are written in a younger language. The rest of the books 3-6 are for any age.] The books are used by a mix of parents, teachers and children, and in all of the categories: school, home, homeschools and pilot schools (like Sunday schools).

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