AYAHINK

How to use the Qur'an Journal

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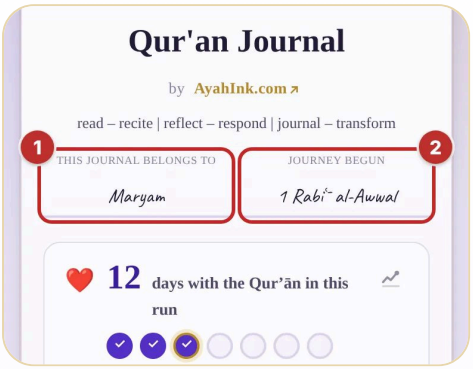
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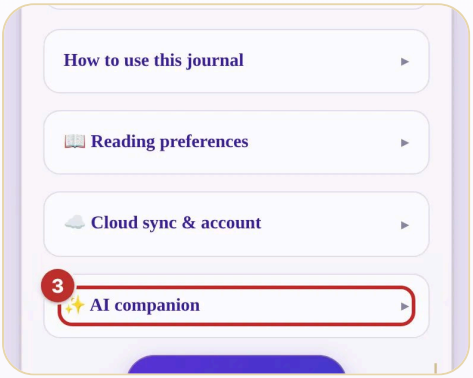
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The first page you see. Everything on it, from top to bottom.





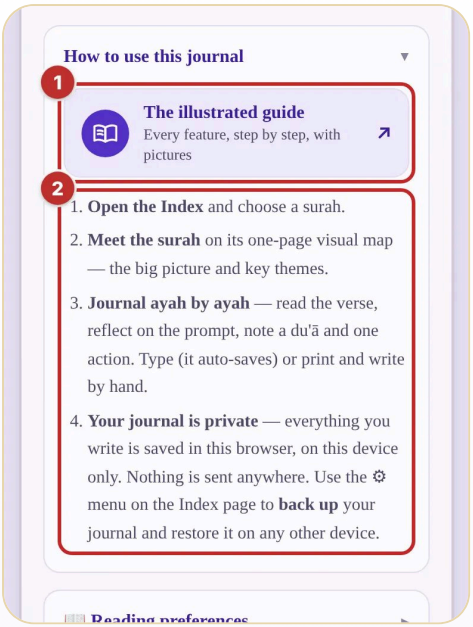
THE COVER

Your own Qur'an journal

Open **ayahink.com/journal** in any browser. All 114 surahs are there, and it keeps working with no internet.

1. **Write your name** on the cover — it's your journal.
2. **Note the day you began**, so you can look back on how far you've come.
3. **Link your AI companion** from the cover too: tap ✨ **AI companion** → **Connect an AI model** → choose your service, paste your key, **Save**. Step by step below.

Open this in the journal ↗



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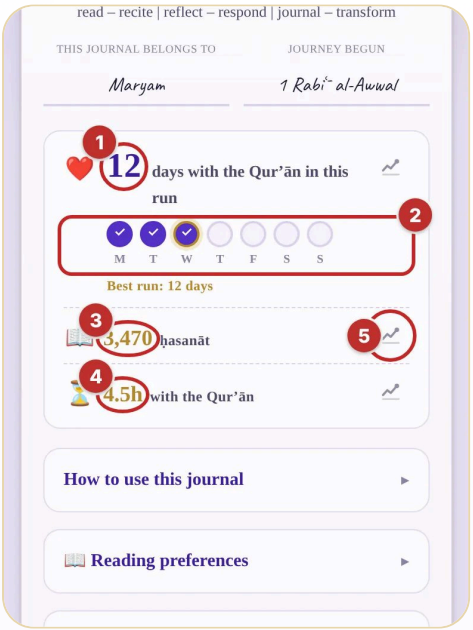
It shows you how

Tap **How to use this journal** on the cover.

1. **The illustrated guide** — this page, one tap from the journal.
2. **Four short steps**: pick a surah, meet its map, then journal ayah by ayah — read, reflect, a du'ā and one action.

Everything you write is saved **on this device**. Nothing is sent anywhere unless you choose to turn on sync.

Open this in the journal ↗



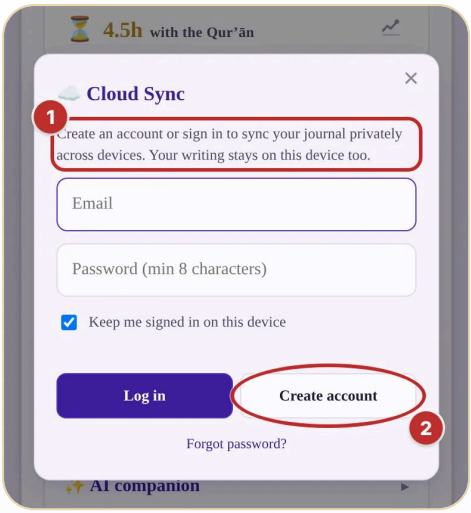
THE COVER

Your streak, ḥasanāt and time

Right on the cover — gentle encouragement, not pressure.

1. **Days** spent with the Qur'an in this run. Missing up to 3 days in a row doesn't break it.
2. **The week** — a tick for each day you read or wrote.
3. **Ḥasanāt** — ten per Arabic letter of each ayah you read or journal, counted from the app's own text. Simple arithmetic.
4. **Time** — counted only while you're actually there.
5. Tap any figure to see **its history**.

Open this in the journal ↗



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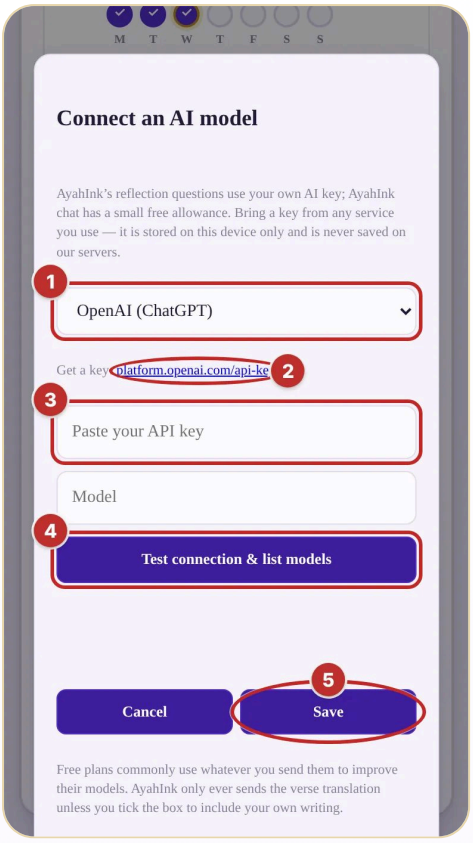
Take your journal to every device

Tap ☁️ **Cloud sync & account** on the cover.

1. **Your progress travels with you** — writing, highlights, drawings, voice notes, notes, bookmarks and your streak, on your phone, tablet and laptop.
2. **Create account** once, then log in on each device.

Premium includes ☁️ sync across all your devices · 🔒 optional end-to-end encryption — we can't read it, and can't recover it, so keep your recovery code · ✨ the AI companion · and more on the way.

Open this in the journal ↗



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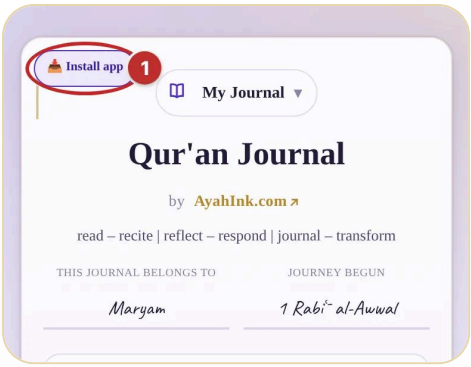
Link your AI companion — it only asks questions

On the cover, tap ✨ **AI companion** → **Connect an AI model**.

1. **Choose your service** — OpenAI, Claude, Gemini, Groq and others.
2. **Get a key** — the link takes you to that service's key page.
3. **Paste your key.** It stays on this device, never on our servers.
4. **Test connection** — it checks the key and lists the models you can use.
5. **Save.** Now it can suggest extra questions on any ayah.

It **never** explains verses, quotes scripture or gives rulings. It only asks — the reflecting is yours.

Open this in the journal ↗



THE COVER

Put it on your home screen, like an app

1 📥 **Install app** appears on the cover whenever your browser can install it. One tap.

Or, with **ayahink.com/journal** open:

Android · Chrome — tap **Install app** on the cover, or the ⋮ menu → **Install app** / **Add to Home screen**.

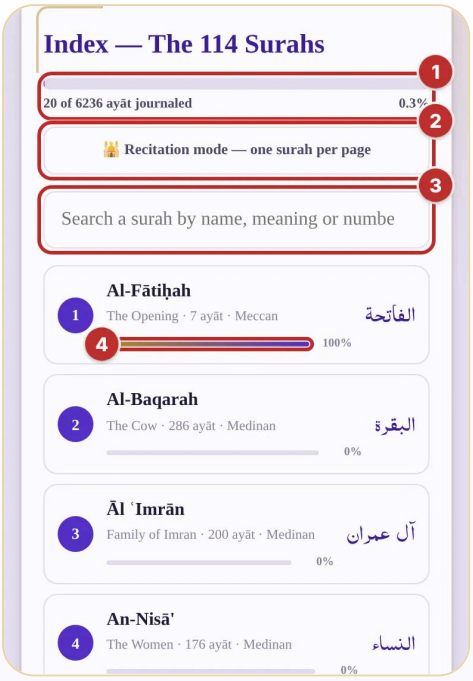
iPhone & iPad · Safari — tap **Share** (the square with an arrow) → **Add to Home Screen** → **Add**.

Windows · Chrome or Edge — tap **Install app** on the cover, or the install icon at the right of the address bar. It then opens from the Start menu.

Open this in the journal ↗

The Index

Tap **Open the Index** at the foot of the cover.



THE INDEX

All 114 surahs

Your home base — tap any surah to open it.

1. **Your progress** across the whole Qur'an — here, 20 of 6,236 āyāt.
2. **Recitation mode** — switch it on to read a surah as one flowing mushaf page.
3. **Search** by name, meaning or number.
4. **Each surah** shows how much of it you've journalled.

Open this in the journal ↗



THE INDEX

Search the way you'd say it

Surah names are full of accents most keyboards don't have. You don't need any of them.

1. Type in the search box: a **name** ("baqarah"), a **meaning** ("the cow") — or just the **surah number**, like **36**.
2. The surah comes straight up — **Al-Baqarah** in the first picture, **Yā Sīn** in the second. Tap to open it.

Open this in the journal ↗



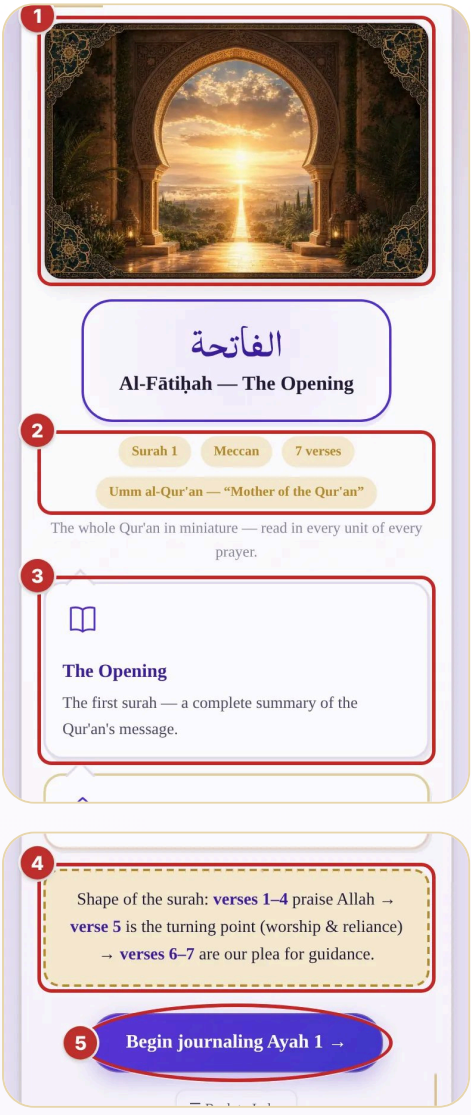
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Continue where you left off

Close the app mid-surah and come back tomorrow — it opens where you were.

1. **One tap** takes you back — even to a single ayah in recitation mode. The same button is in the bottom bar on every page.

Open this in the journal ↗



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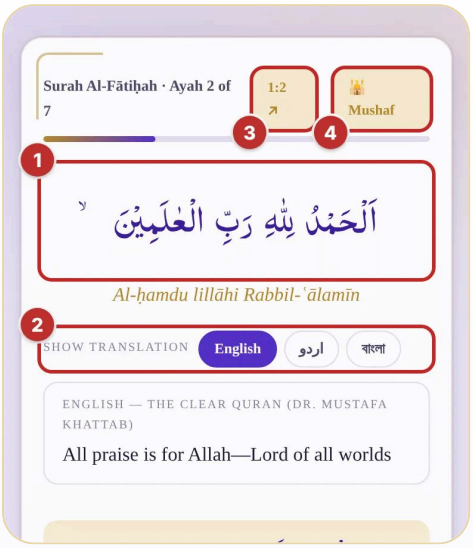
Every surah opens with a map

1. Its own **artwork**.
2. **The facts** — Meccan or Medinan, how many verses, its other name.
3. Its **big themes**, one card each.
4. **The shape** of the surah, from beginning to end.
5. **Begin journaling** takes you to ayah 1.

Open this in the journal ↗

Journalling an ayah

All 6,236 āyāt have a page of their own. Swipe, or use the arrows, to turn to the next.

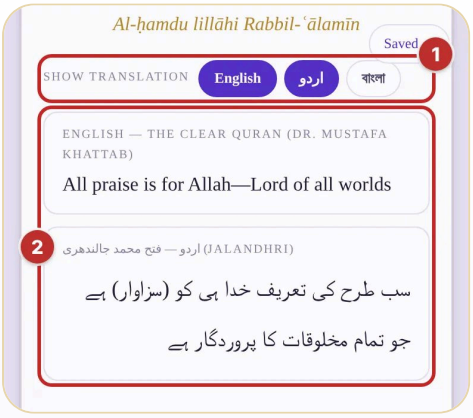


YOUR PAGE FOR EVERY AYAH

One page for each ayah

1. The **ayah in Arabic**, with a transliteration beneath it.
2. **Translation switches** — English, Urdu, Bangla.
3. Open this ayah on **quran.com** to listen or study further.
4. **Mushaf** — see this ayah in the flowing surah.

Open this in the journal ↗

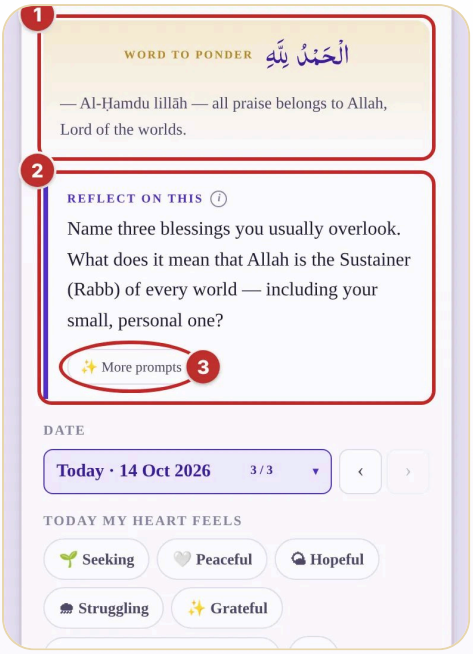


YOUR PAGE FOR EVERY AYAH

Three languages — any combination

1. **English, اردو, বাংলা** — each is its own switch. Turn on one, two, all three, or none.
2. Every language you switch on **shows together** under the ayah — here, English and Urdu.

Open this in the journal ↗



YOUR PAGE FOR EVERY AYAH

A word to hold, and a question for you

So you never face a blank page.

1. **Word to ponder** — one word from the ayah to carry with you.
2. **Reflect on this** — a question written for this exact ayah.
3. **More prompts** — want a different angle? Tap for more.

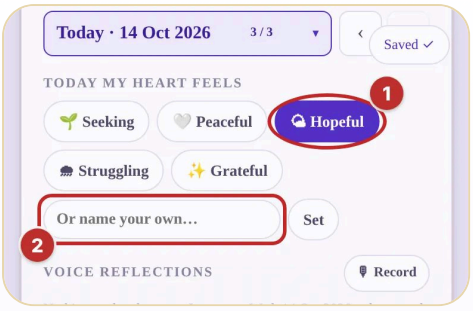
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IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO BEGIN

6,236 prompts

One written for every single ayah — a question to sit with, waiting on the page. Written and reviewed by hand, not generated, and the same for every reader.

See a prompt in the journal ↗



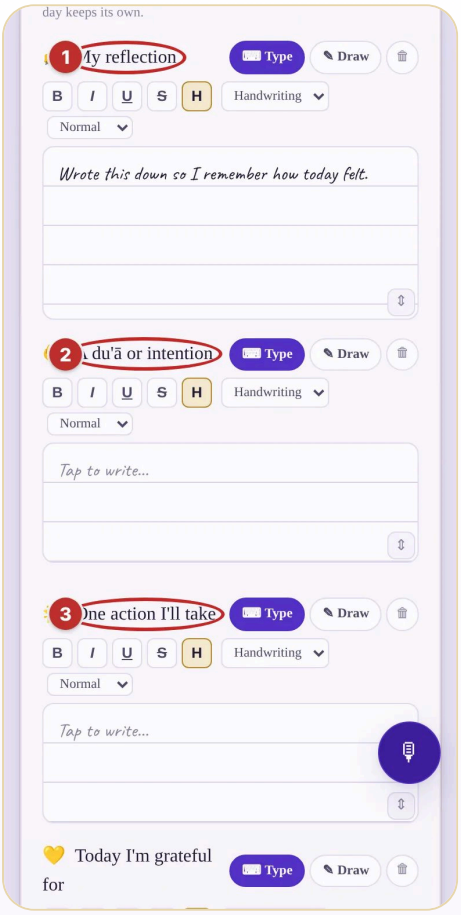
YOUR PAGE FOR EVERY AYAH

How is your heart today?

A one-tap check-in. Looking back later, you'll see how you felt when you read each ayah.

1. Tap **Seeking, Peaceful, Hopeful, Struggling** or **Grateful**...
2. ...or **name your own** feeling and tap **Set**.

Open this in the journal ↗



YOUR PAGE FOR EVERY AYAH

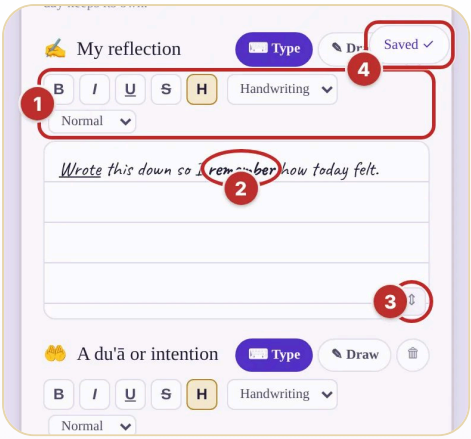
Four boxes to write in

Fill one, or all four. Everything **saves as you type** — there is no save button anywhere.

1. **My reflection** — what the ayah stirred in you.
2. **A du'ā or intention** — what you want to ask for.
3. **One action I'll take** — small and doable today.

There's also **Today I'm grateful for** — and **+ Add a section** for anything else you want to track.

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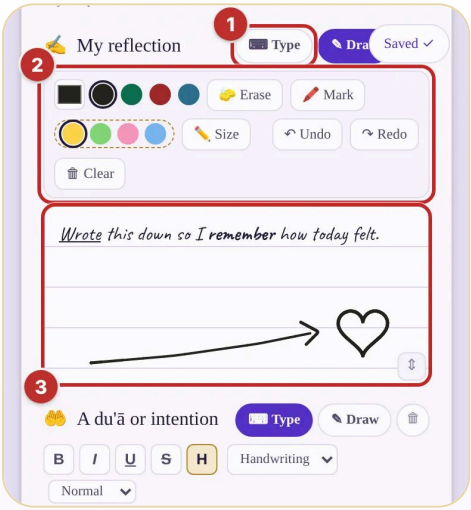


WRITING TOOLS

Write it your way

1. The toolbar: **bold, italic, underline, strike-through, highlight**, plus a font and a size.
2. **Select some words, then tap** — just like a phone's notes app.
3. **Drag the corner** to make the box bigger. It remembers.
4. **"Saved ✓"** — there's no save button to forget.

Open this in the journal ↗



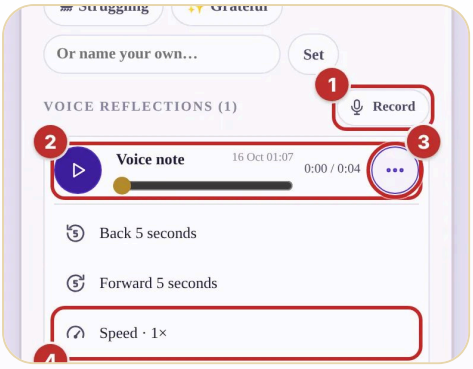
WRITING TOOLS

Draw and handwrite

Made for a finger, a stylus or a tablet pen.

1. Tap **Draw** on any box. Tap **Type** to go back.
2. **Pen colours, Erase, Mark** (a highlighter in four colours), **Size, Undo, Redo, Clear**.
3. **Your drawing** sits on the lines, over anything you typed.

Open this in the journal ↗



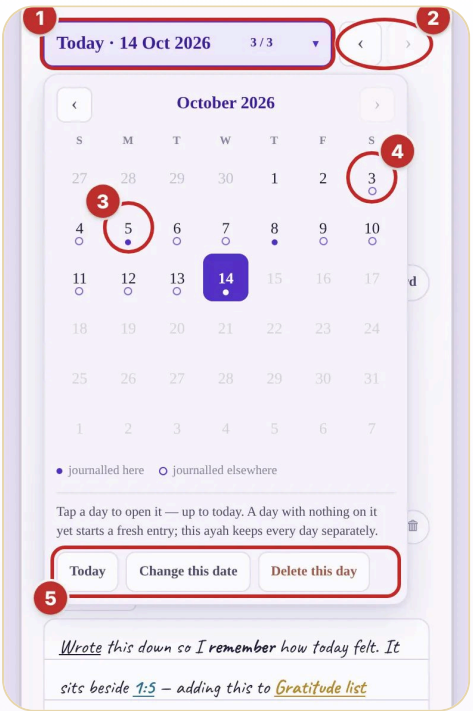
WRITING TOOLS

Or just say it

Tap the **microphone** on any ayah and speak — it starts recording at once. Tap **stop** to save.

1. **Record** — pause if you need to; × throws it away.
2. Your note: **play** it, see its name and length.
3. ⋯ holds the rest.
4. Skip 5 seconds, change the **speed**, rename, save it to your phone, or delete it.

Open this in the journal ↗



WRITING TOOLS

Every day gets its own page

Come back to the same ayah next Ramaḍān and write afresh — last year's words are still there.

1. **Which day** you're looking at.
2. **Step back or forward** through the days on this ayah.
3. **Filled dot** — you wrote on this ayah that day.
4. **Hollow dot** — you wrote on a different ayah that day.
5. **Change the date** of an entry, or delete a day.

Open this in the journal ↗



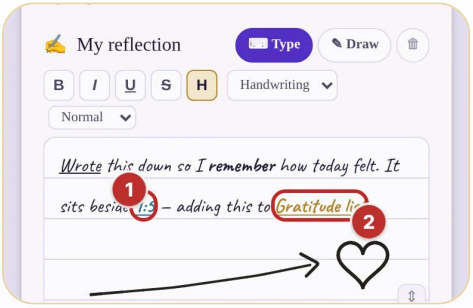
HIGHLIGHTING

Highlight the Arabic

Mark the words that caught you — on the Arabic, the transliteration or the translation.

1. Tap the **highlighter**.
2. Pick one of **four colours** — yellow, green, pink, blue.
3. The **eraser** takes a highlight off again.
4. **Select the words** — they stay highlighted every time you come back.

Open this in the journal ↗



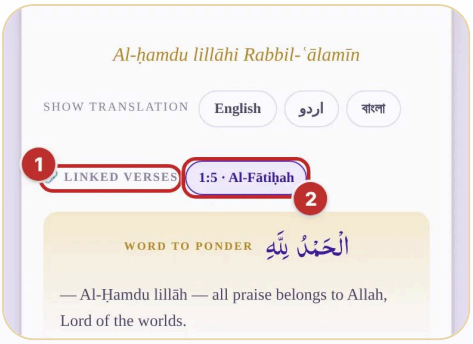
LINKING YOUR THOUGHTS

Link one ayah to another

Noticed two āyāt that speak to each other? Type the reference in square brackets — like `[1:5]` — as you write.

1. It turns into a **link you can tap**.
2. Notes link the same way, with double brackets: `[[Gratitude list]]`.

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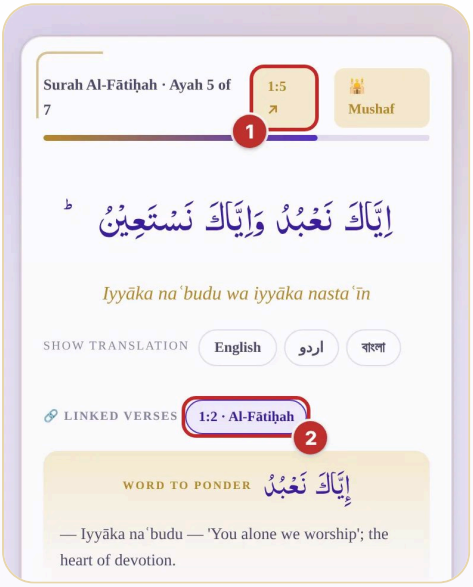


LINKING YOUR THOUGHTS

The ayah now shows its links

1. A 🔗 **Linked verses** bar appears on the ayah.
2. **Tap it** to jump straight there.

Open this in the journal ↗



LINKING YOUR THOUGHTS

…and the link works both ways

1. Now you're on **1:5**…
2. …and it **points back to 1:2**, where you wrote the link.

Changed your mind? Delete the `[1:5]` from your writing and **both links disappear by themselves**.

Open this in the journal ↗



LINKING YOUR THOUGHTS

Link a note from any ayah

While writing a reflection, type two square brackets: `[[`

1. A list pops up with **your notes** — or **create a brand-new one** right there.
2. **Pick one**, and the link is written in for you.

Open this in the journal ↗

Recitation mode

Not journalling today? Read a whole surah as one flowing page, like a mushaf.



RECITATION MODE

Read a whole surah

Switch on recitation mode in the Index, then open any surah.

1. Add **English, Urdu or Bangla** alongside — or read the **Arabic alone**.
2. Make the **text bigger or smaller**.

Open this in the journal ↗



RECITATION MODE

See where you've already been

1. A **red number with a small pen** above it — you've journalled on this ayah.
2. A **gold number** — not yet. Tap any ayah number to open its journal page.

Open this in the journal ↗



RECITATION MODE

…and highlight in the mushaf too

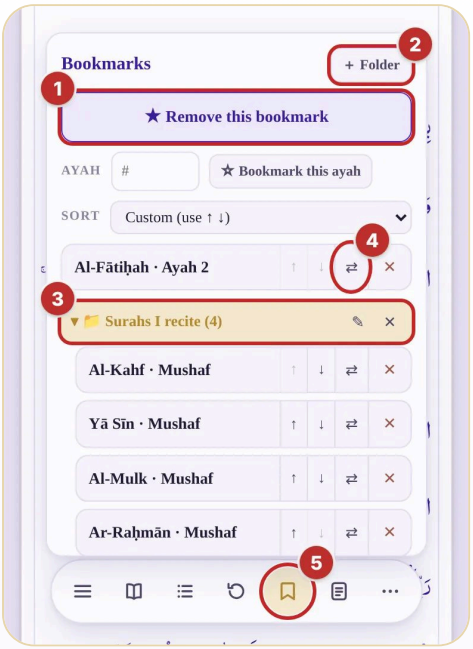
1. **Choose a colour.**
2. A **yellow** highlight can run across a line break.
3. **Blue** on another ayah — mix colours however you like.

Mushaf highlights are kept **separately** from the ayah page, so you can mark one way while reciting and another while reflecting.

Open this in the journal ↗

The bottom bar

On every page: cover, Index, continue, bookmarks, notes and the ⋯ menu.



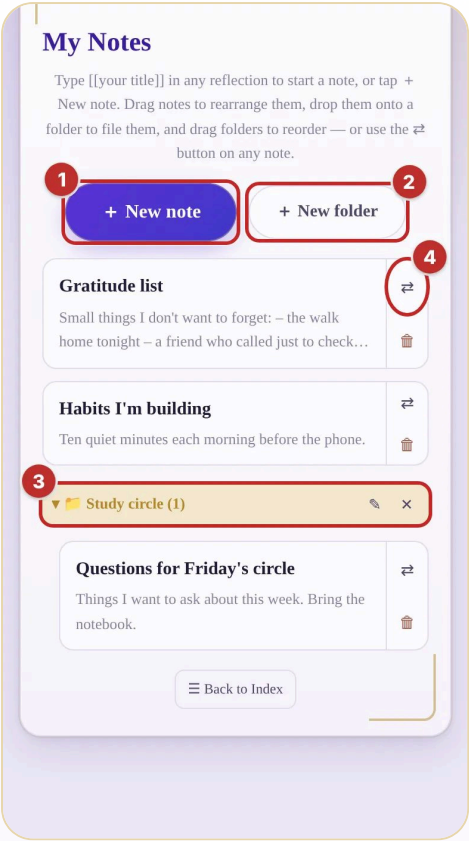
THE BOTTOM BAR

Bookmarks, in folders

Here, four surahs bookmarked in recitation mode and filed in a folder called **"Surahs I recite"**.

1. **Bookmark this page** (tap again to remove it), or bookmark one ayah by its number.
2. **+ Folder** to make a new one.
3. The **folder** and its bookmarks — tap one to go there.
4. **Move** a bookmark with ⇄. Sort your own way, by place in the Qur'an, or A–Z.
5. **How to get here:** the bookmark button in the bottom bar, on every page.

Open this in the journal ↗



THE BOTTOM BAR

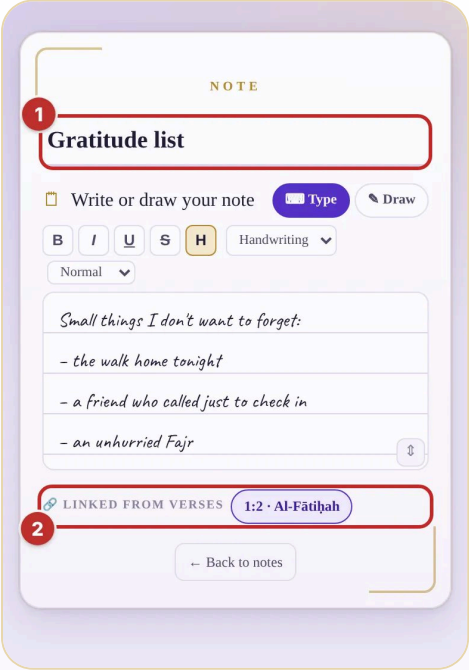
My Notes — for thoughts bigger than one ayah

A gratitude list, questions for your study circle, habits you're building. Tap the notes button in the bottom bar.

1. **+ New note**.
2. **+ New folder** to keep them tidy.
3. A **folder** — here, "Study circle".
4. **Move a note** into a folder with ⇄, or just drag it.

Or type `[[your title]]` in any reflection to start a note.

Open this in the journal ↗

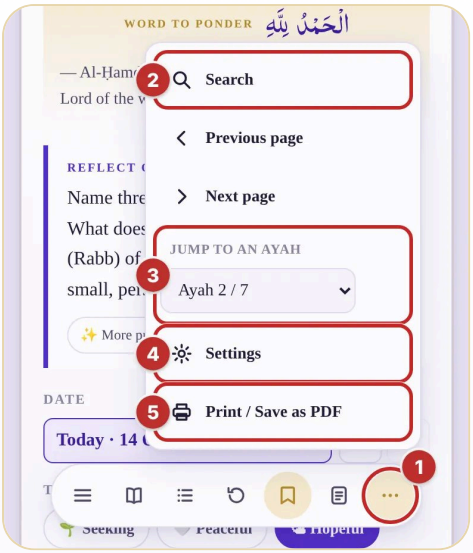


THE BOTTOM BAR

The note remembers where it came from

1. The **title**. Rename it, and every link to it updates too.
2. **Linked from verses** — every ayah that mentions this note. Tap one to go back to it.

Open this in the journal ↗



THE BOTTOM BAR

The ··· menu

Everything else lives behind one button.

1. Tap ···.
2. **Search** — the Qur'an and your own writing (below).
3. **Jump to an ayah** — or straight to a surah's map.
4. **Settings**.
5. **Print / Save as PDF** — keep a paper copy of a page.

Open this in the journal ↗

Search

··· → Search. Find a word in the Qur'an and in everything you have written.



SEARCH

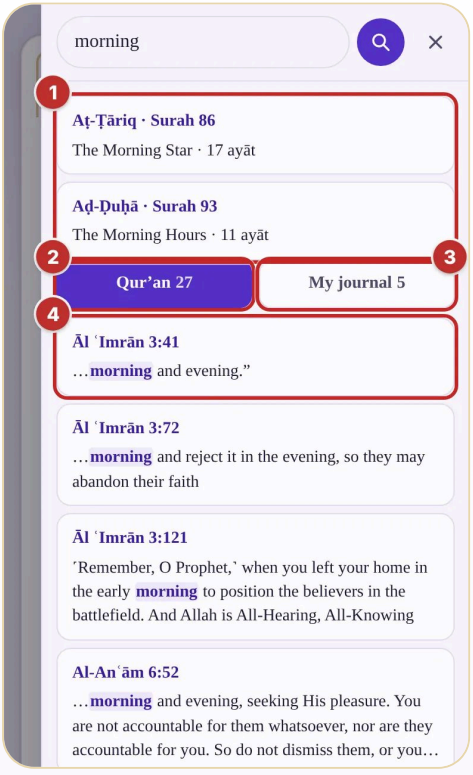
Search the Qur'an and your journal

Type an English word, or an Arabic word the way you'd say it in English letters. On a wide screen the search lens sits in the bottom bar.

1. Type your word — here, **morning**.
2. Press **Enter** or tap the lens. Nothing is searched until you do.

The search runs on your device — nothing you type leaves it.

Open this in the journal ↗

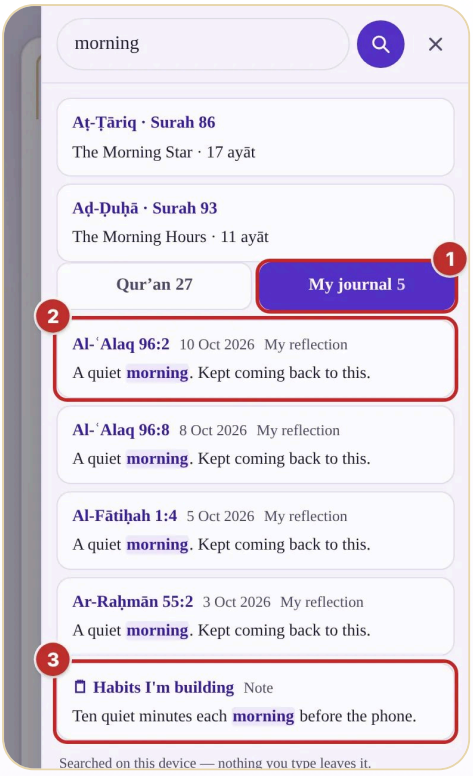


SEARCH

Results, side by side

1. A **surah** whose name matches comes first.
2. **Qur'an** — every ayah with the word, and how many.
3. **My journal** — every entry and note where you wrote it.
4. The word is highlighted. Tap a result to open that ayah.

Open this in the journal ↗





SEARCH

Find what you wrote, and go back to the list

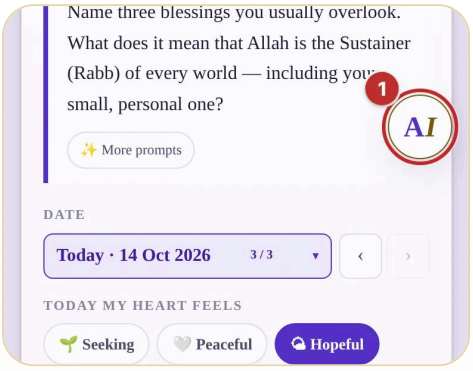
1. Tap **My journal**.
2. Each entry shows its ayah, its day and which box you wrote it in.
3. Notes are found too.

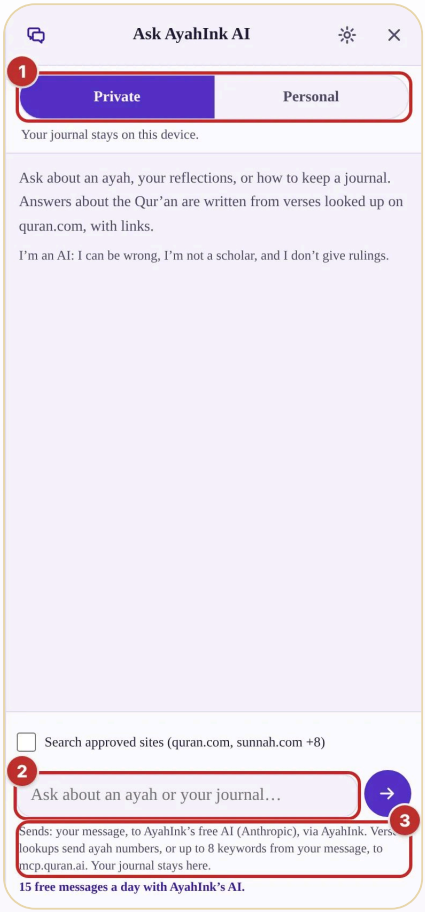
Open a result and a **‹ Results** button waits at the top — tap it to return to the list just as you left it.

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Ask AyahInk AI

A chat that helps you understand and write. Sign in with a free account to use it.





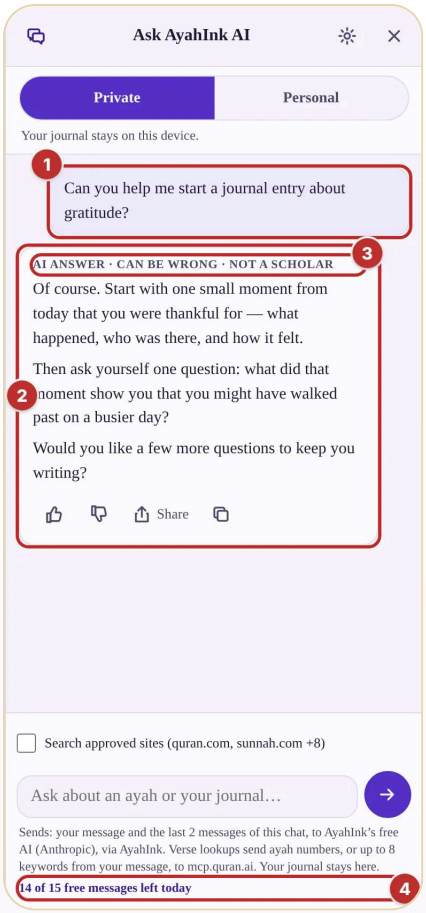
ASK AYAHINK AI

Open the chat

Tap the round **AI** button on any page.

1. **Private** — the default. Your journal stays on your device. **Personal** also sends the entries you pick, so the answer can draw on them.
2. Ask about an ayah, your reflections, or how to keep a journal.
3. This line always says exactly what will be sent before you send it.

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ASK AYAHINK AI

An answer you can check

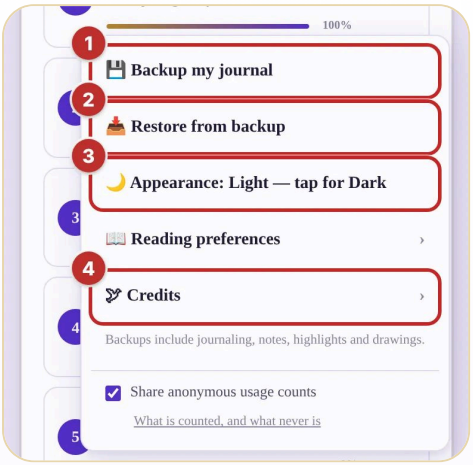
1. Your question.
2. The answer. When it is about the Qur'an, the verses are looked up on quran.com for that question and linked — never quoted from the AI's memory.
3. Every answer says what it is: **AI answer · can be wrong · not a scholar**. It does not give rulings.
4. 15 free messages a day.

⚙ in the chat can delete conversations 7 days after they start.

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Settings

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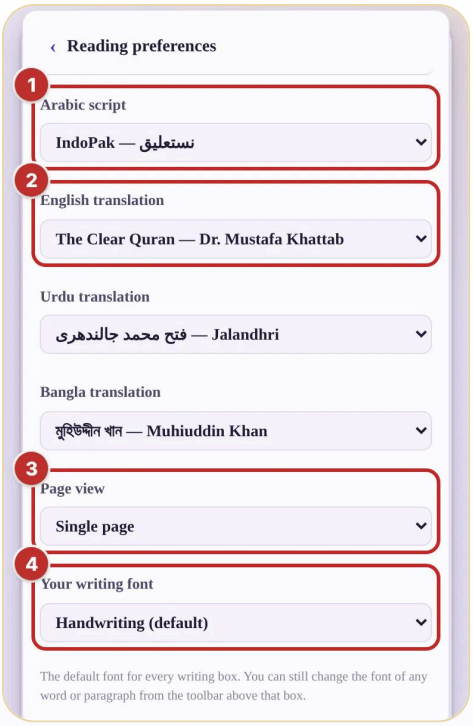
SETTINGS

Back it up, restore it, make it yours

1. **Backup my journal** — one file with your writing, notes, highlights and drawings.
2. **Restore from backup** — open that file on a new phone and it's all back.
3. **Appearance** — light or dark.
4. **Credits** — where the text, translations and fonts come from.

Not using sync? Make a backup now and then — your journal lives on your device.

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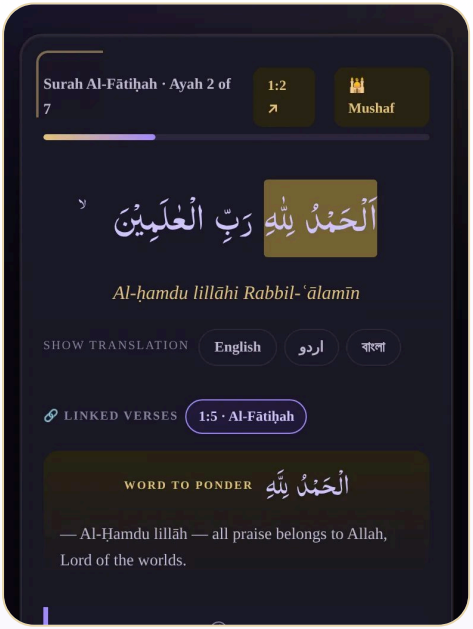
SETTINGS

Choose your script, translations and handwriting

Reading preferences — on the cover, or in ⚙ Settings.

1. **Arabic script** — IndoPak or Uthmani.
2. **Two translations** per language — English: Clear Quran or Ṣaḥīḥ; Urdu: Jalandhri or Junagarhi; Bangla: Muhiuddin Khan or Zohurul Hoque.
3. **Page view** — one page, or two side by side on a wide screen.
4. **Writing font** — handwriting by default, or six others.

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SETTINGS

Dark mode for night reading

Easy on the eyes after ʿIshāʾ or before Fajr. Turn it on in ⚙ **Settings → Appearance**, and switch back the same way.

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THREE TAPS AND YOU HAVE STARTED

Begin with one line

1 · Open it — ayahink.com/journal, in any browser, on any device.

2 · Pick a surah — any one. Al-Fātiḥa is a kind place to begin.

3 · Answer the prompt — one line is enough. It saves itself as you write.

Open the journal →