



Takbir (saying: "Allahu Akbar [Allah is the Greatest]") on starting Salah (prayer) and on Ruku` (bowing).

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Q 1: I am an Imam of one of the Masjids (mosque) known as Masjids Al-Jami` (the large mosques where Jumu`ah [Friday] Prayers are held). I have little knowledge. Once, one of the preachers in Al-Khafajy stood before the worshippers and said: "When one enters a Masjid and attends Ruku' with the Imam in congregational Salah, should pronounce two Takbirs; one for entering Salah and the other for Ruku'." Should one perform one or two Takbirs upon attending Ruku' with the Imam? May Allah reward you and guide you to the truth!

A: The follower should, when attending Salah while Imam is in Ruku',

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pronounce one Takbir for entering Salah while he is in a standing position. He is not required to say another Takbir. But it will be better if he pronounces one Takbir for entering Salah and another one for Ruku'.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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