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Rukhsana Khan-Famous Author

Have you read any good books lately? You're sure to find a good book if you pick up one of Rukhsana Khan's children's books. She's written over 10 books for children. Many have won awards . . . most all have won hearts.

Rukhsana Khan's award winning books have received over forty awards, including the South Asia Book Award for 2015, and the Top 20 books in Canada for Summer Reading Club. Rukhsana writes about true stories that happened to her and her family members when she was growing up.

Rukhsana Khan was born in the Muslim country of Lahore, Pakistan, in 1962. When she was 3 years old, her father moved her and her two sisters and mother to a small town in Canada.

When Rukhsana was in eighth grade, not only did she read well, but she was also an excellent writer. One day, her teacher gave her a friendly note. The note said that Rukhsana should become an author. When Rukhsana grew up, that's just what she did—she became a famous author!

Now you can checkout Rukhsana's books at the library or purchase them online. Visit her website at www.rukhsanakhan.com.

Timbuktu- The Land of Books

Did you know one of the most important cities in the world was Timbuktu? This African city still exists today! This ancient land has been around for nearly 1,000 years! It was once part of the magnificent African Empires of Mali, Ghana, and Songhai. Today, it is part of the Republic of Mali in Africa. Timbuktu was once so grand, some people thought it was an imaginary place made up by travelers.

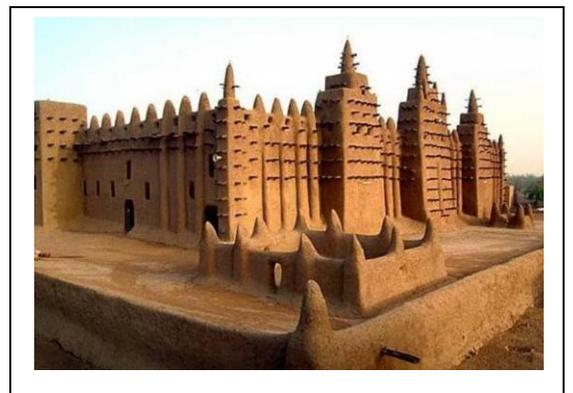
Timbuktu was famous for its salt. Salt helped preserve food when there were no refrigerators. It was also famous for its great amount of riches and gold. Timbuktu had fantastic libraries, too. Along with its libraries, Timbuktu had famous schools and universities. People travelled from around the world as far away as Europe to visit the magnificent African universities of Timbuktu.

Timbuktu's most treasured items were its books. Books on Islam, books on astronomy, books on history, books on science, books . . . books . . . books!

Maybe someday you can visit Timbuktu and read some of its famous books!



O my Lord! Increase me in knowledge.
(Quran 20:114)



Seeking knowledge is a duty of every
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