

Islam Question & Answer

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4505 - Writing fiction stories

the question

My question is, is writing Islamic based fictional stories which are meant for da'wah, islaahi and creating awareness among the Ummah, especially the youth, by using the imagination, sinful in Islam?

In other words is it sinful to imagine words, ideas and situations? And what's the difference between folklore and this kind of modern writings?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If it is made perfectly clear that this did not really happen, and that the story is being told just to give an example, then there is nothing wrong with that, but one should be careful to ensure that the style, contents and goal are beneficial and that the story helps to explain something about Islam and serves as a effective means of teaching and guiding people. We ask Allaah to grant you strength