



## 'Place of Birth'

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### Question

Assalaam Alaikum Respected Shaykh,

Why is **مسقط رأس** translated as birthplace or hometown?

## Answer

Our Shaykh Dr. Abdur Rahim, حفظه الله replied (quote):

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The word **مَسْقَطٌ** is *ism makaan* from

**سَقَطَ يَسْقُطُ** meaning **to fall**.

So **مَسْقَطٌ** means '**place of falling**',

and **مَسْقَطُ رَأْسٍ** means :

**'the place where the head falls'** when it comes out of the mother's womb.

And obviously, that is the place of birth.

Hope it is clear.

Wassalaam,  
abdur rahim