Source 3a

Excerpt taken from an oral history interview with male Bilal Ali Hugh who is 49 and grew up in London and is of Caribbean parentage***.***

***“It’s a mixed experience because it’s the beauty of coming into the religion, it’s the beauty of feeling being part of something that is much bigger than yourself… you know that you share that love for this thing so there was that positive part. But there was also some trials and tribulations, you could say, or discrimination or double standard or maybe just peoples attitude of quote, unquote, heritage Muslims from different parts of the world who you might go to a mosque that’s, that you’re not familiar with, you’re in the area, you just want to pray and you say to the person “Oh Salamu alaikum” and they’re saying “hello” to you which seems a bit impolite and then you say “Akhi” which means brother, you know “is there somewhere I can make wudu [ablution]?” cause you don’t know the place and they saying “Are you Muslim?”***