

## Harvest Festival

Christianity is based on the teachings of Jesus. They believe that God sent his son, Jesus, to teach people about love and fellowship and to save them from sin.

A Harvest Festival is a celebration of the food that is grown on the land.

Celebrations giving thanks for our food happen in many countries around the world.

In Britain, Harvest Festivals are often celebrated by bringing baskets of food to give thanks to God.



## Harvest and Giving Thanks

Farmers use machinery to harvest some of their crops.

Some fruits and vegetables are too delicate to be harvested by a machine. They need to be carefully picked and stored so that they don't get damaged.



## ✚ Christianity

## Key Vocabulary

Harvest	To collect what has been planted and grown in the ground.
Christianity	The religion based on the life and teachings of Jesus.
Church	The place of worship used by Christians.
Jesus	The founder of Christianity, also known as the Son of God.
God	A loving being who created things.

## I will:

Identify Christianity as a religion and Christians as believers in Christianity.

Identify Jesus as the founder of Christianity.

Know the event which is linked to why the Harvest Festival is celebrated.

Explore how the Harvest Festival is celebrated.



## The Festival of Christmas

Christmas is a special time for Christians to rejoice over the birth of Jesus. Christians believe he was very special, not an ordinary baby but God on Earth.

The story of Jesus' birth includes:

- An angel visits Mary (The Mother of Jesus).
- Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem.
- Jesus is born in a stable and is placed in a manger.
- Angels appear to nearby shepherds.
- The shepherds visit baby Jesus in the stable.



## Christmas

### Light

Christians believe that Jesus is the light of the world.



You might use a torch to see things the light can't reach. When you shine it in the dark it disappears.



## ✚ Christianity

### Key Vocabulary

Christianity	The religion based on the life and teachings of Jesus.
Christmas	The Christian festival which celebrates the birth of Jesus.
Christian	A believer in Christianity.
Jesus	The founder of Christianity, also known as the 'Son of God'.
God	A loving being who created things.

### I will:

Develop my understanding of Christmas as a festival associated with Christianity.

Know that Christmas is a celebration of the birth of Jesus.

Know that most Christians believe that Jesus is the 'Son of God'.



## Christianity

Christians welcome their babies by a special service called a Baptism. The priest welcomes the baby into God's family and thanks God.

Special things about the Baptism:

- Special outfit
- A font with blessed water
- A candle
- A special oil
- Godparents

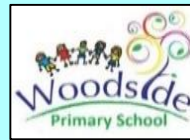


To which groups do you belong?

Your family



Your school



A football team



Dance group



## Key Vocabulary

Christianity	The religion based on the life and teachings of Jesus.
Baptism	A ceremony to welcome people to become a follower of Jesus.
Christian	A believer in Christianity.
Jesus	The founder of Christianity, also known as the 'Son of God'.
God	A loving being who created things.

## I will:

Develop my understanding of a baptism as a festival associated with Christianity.

Know that a baptism is a Christian celebration to welcome followers of Jesus.

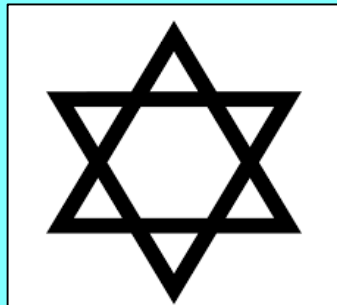
Share my thoughts about what I learn about a baptism.



## Judaism

Judaism is the religion that the Jewish people believe. They believe that Judaism began when Abraham began to worship one God, around 4000 years ago.

A synagogue is where Jewish people come together to worship. Worship means to love and respect something very much, so when Jewish people meet to worship they are showing a love and respect to the Jewish beliefs.



## Showing Courage

Courage is when we overcome our fears. During a Bar-Mitzvah a Jewish child shows courage.



When have you shown courage?



When did you feel a little worried about doing something but had the courage to do it?

## ☆ Judaism

## Key Vocabulary

Judaism	The religion of the Jewish people.
Jew	A person who believes in Judaism.
Synagogue	A place of worship used by Jewish people.
Torah Scroll	A scroll which contains the first 5 books of the Jewish bible.
Star of David	An important symbol of Judaism.
Abraham	Believed to be the first Jew.

## I will:

Identify Judaism as a religion and Jews as believers in Judaism.

Know that the word 'Jewish' refers to Judaism or the Jews.

Name and explain a variety of objects associated with Judaism, including a synagogue, the Hebrew Bible, a Torah scroll and the Star of David.

## Islam

Islam is the religion followed by Muslims. Muslims believe there is one true God Allah (the Arabic word for God).

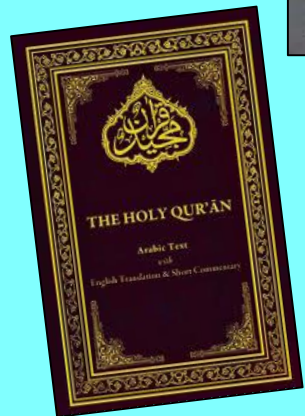
The Muslim holy book is called the Qur'an. Muslims believe this to be the word of Allah as told to Muhammad.

Muslims come together to worship in a mosque.

## Prayer mat



Muslims use a prayer mat when they say their prayers for cleanliness. They are usually decorated with beautiful patterns and shapes.



## Key Vocabulary

Islam	The religion believed by Muslims.
Muslim	A person who believes and practices Islam.
Allah	The Arabic word for God used by Muslims.
Muhammed	Believed by Muslims to be the last prophet sent by God.
Qur'an	The holy book that Muslims believe was revealed to Muhammed.
Mosque	A place of worship used by Muslims.
Crescent moon and star	Often used as a symbol of Islam

## I will:

Identify Islam as a religion and Muslims as believers in Islam.

Identify and name a variety of objects associated with Islam, including mosque, Qur'an and the crescent moon and star.

Identify a mosque as a Muslim place of worship.

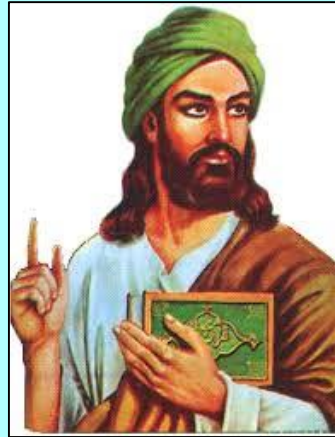
## Significant Beliefs about God

### Islam

Muslims believe there is one true God, Allah (the Arabic word for God). They believe God created the universe and that Muhammed is a prophet of God.

**Prophets of God** are people who are special messengers. They are sent to teach others about Allah. There were many Prophets of God, including Abraham, Moses, Jesus and it is believed that Muhammed was the last prophet. The words in the Qur'an are the words of Allah as told to Muhammed.

### The Prophet Muhammed



### Key Vocabulary

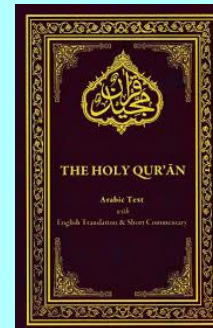
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Mosque	A place of worship used by Muslims.
Prophet	People who received messages from Allah.



### The symbol for Allah



### The Qur'an



### I will:

Identify beliefs that Muslims hold about God.

Know that Muslims believe Allah sent people who are called 'Prophets of God' to teach others.

Name Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Muhammed as 'Prophets of God'.

Know they Muslims use the word 'Allah' to refer to God.

## The Good Samaritan

The Parable of the Good Samaritan is a story with meaning about someone being kind to a stranger:

- A man was injured and left lying on the side of the road.
- Lots of people walked past him.
- A Samaritan stopped and helped him, he put him on his donkey.
- He took him to his home and took care of him.

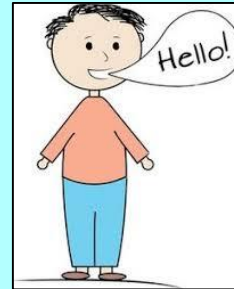
Jesus told this parable to teach us something about being kind, even to people we don't know.



## God and Loving Kindness

How can you be loving and kind?

Look after your friends:



How could you be kind at home?



## ✚ Christianity

## Key Vocabulary

Christianity	The religion based on the life and teachings of Jesus.
Church	The place of worship used by Christians.
Jesus	The founder of Christianity, also known as the Son of God.
God	A loving being who created things.
Parable	A story with a meaning.
A stranger	Someone you don't know
A Samaritan	A helpful person

## I will:

Sequence the main events in the parable of 'The Good Samaritan'.

Identify the meaning in the parable.

Identify and name some significant beliefs that most Christians hold about God.

Share ideas about the meaning in the parable and give a reason to support view.

## Hinduism

Hinduism has no single teacher; it is the practices of a variety of different religious groups which come out of India. The word 'Hindu' comes from the name of the river Indus, which a part of flows through India.

Hindus believe in a universal soul or God called Brahman. Brahman takes on many forms that some Hindus worship as Gods. Hindus believe there is a part of Brahman in everyone.

Amu is the main symbol of Hinduism.



Most Hindus worship everyday at home and have a shrine there. The Mandir is the Hindu temple and often people gather there at a weekend.



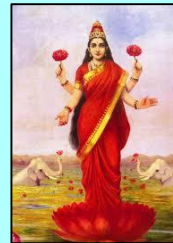
## Diwali

### The Festival of Light

Diwali is the Hindu 'festival of light'. It is celebrated around the world during October or November.



It is celebrated in honour of Lakshmi, a Hindu goddess of wealth and prosperity. Hindus pray to her to bring them luck in the coming year.



## ॐ Hinduism

### Key Vocabulary

Hinduism	The main religion of people living in India.
Hindu	A person who believes and practices Hinduism
Amu	One of the most important symbols of Hinduism
Mandir	A Hindu temple, a place of worship by Hindus.
Brahman	The one supreme God, the ultimate cause of everything.
Krishna	A popular Hindu God.

### I will:

Identify Hinduism as a religion and Hindus as believers in Hinduism.

Identify and name a variety of objects associated with Hinduism, including the mandir, Amu symbol, a murti of Krishna.

Ask questions about Hinduism and share thoughts and views.



## Judaism

The Passover (Pesach) is an important religious Jewish festival and this year falls between 8-16 April.

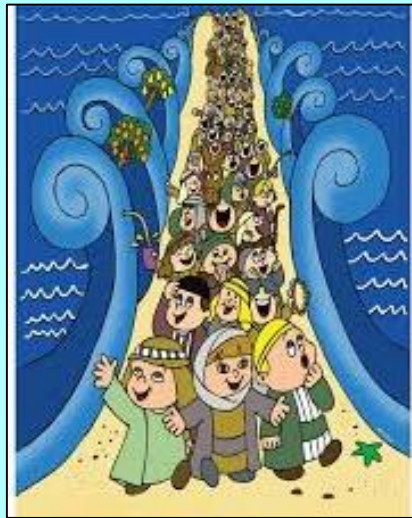
At Passover, Jewish people remember a story from a very long time ago. The story is about a group of Jewish people who were being kept in slavery by the ruler of Egypt called Pharaoh. Moses asked Pharaoh to release them and when he did not God sent 10 plagues. God told Moses to tell the slaves to mark their doorposts. This way, the angel would know that Jewish people lived there. It would *pass over* that house. This is where the name **Passover** comes from.



## The Festival of Passover

## Stories of slaves gaining their freedom:

- Moses requests Pharaoh to free the slaves
- God sends ten plagues
- Pharaoh frees the slaves
- The slaves cross the Red Sea and gain their freedom.



## ✧ Judaism

## Key Vocabulary

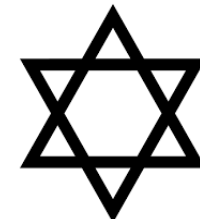
Judaism	The religion of the Jewish people.
Jew	A person who believes in Judaism.
Synagogue	A place of worship used by Jewish people.
Star of David	An important symbol of Judaism.
Passover (Pesach)	A Jewish Festival
Slaves	People owned by someone to do whatever they ask.
Freedom	To be free to do what you wish to.

## I will:

Identify and name the Passover as a festival celebrated by Jews.

Identify that Passover celebrates the story of the slaves in Egypt gaining their freedom.

Identify and describe some main events associated with the story of the slaves gaining freedom.



### The Easter Story

At Easter Christians remember the death and resurrection of Jesus. It is the most important festival for a Christian.

**Palm Sunday** – Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and was treated like a king.

**Maundy Thursday** – Jesus held his last supper with his apostles and was betrayed by Judas.

**Good Friday** – the death of Jesus.

**Easter Sunday** – Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead.



What feelings have you experienced?

Sadness like at the death of Jesus:



Happiness like at His resurrection:



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Jesus	The founder of Christianity, also known as the 'Son of God'.
God	A loving being who created things.
Easter	Christian festival recalling the death and resurrection of Jesus.
Easter Sunday	The resurrection of Jesus is celebrated
Eternal Life	Christians believe that there is life after death which is eternal.

I will:

Identify and name Easter as a festival associated with Christianity and that Easter is a time when Christians recall the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Identify and describe the main events associated with the story of Easter.

Identify that Christians believe that Jesus' death and resurrection supports their belief in 'eternal life'.

## Beliefs About Muhammed

### Muhammed

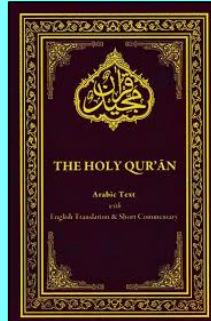
Muhammed is often called **the Prophet of God** or **the messenger of God**. Muslims believe that the same message was revealed to Muhammed as it was to prophets before him.

Muhammed was born around 570AD. He was the last in a line of prophets that included Abraham, Moses and Jesus. Muhammed claimed the Qur'an is the last book of Allah. It is an exact record of the words revealed to Muhammed from Allah, he memorised the words and they were later written down. Muhammed then interpreted the words into daily life.

Muhammed



Qur'an



### Religious Revelation

Muhammed's religious revelation was when Allah made Himself know to him.



Can you think of a time you were waiting for something to be revealed to you? How did you feel?



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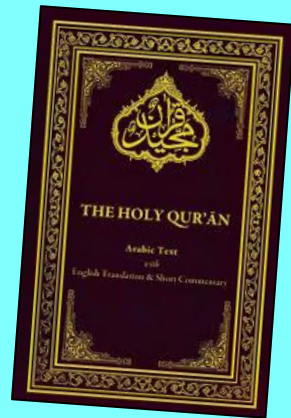
Name Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Muhammed as 'Prophets of God'.

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### The First Revelation

Muhammed experienced a number of revelation. During the first one:

- Muhammed was alone on a mountain called Mount Hira
- The angel Gabriel appeared to him
- Words appeared to Muhammed
- Muhammed understood and memorised these words
- This night is often referred to as the 'Night of Power'
- He preached the words revealed to him
- These words are recorded exactly as they were told to Muhammed in the Qur'an



The first revelation took place in a cave near the top of Mount Hira in 610CE.



People can visit the mountain today.



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I will:

Describe and explain the story of Muhammed's first revelation.

Identify that Muslims believe Muhammed received many revelations and the Qur'an contains all the words as they were revealed to him.

Share thoughts and views about Muhammed's first revelation.