



Year 6 Knowledge Organiser RE Autumn Term 1

What I should already know?

- That people have different ideas and believe different things and that these are of equal value in British law.
- That beliefs with deities are called religions.
- That people who believe the same thing often organise themselves into groups with spiritual leaders.
- That religious groups have rituals and practices, which are specific and sometimes unique to their religion.
- That religious groups often have special buildings in which they meet to worship.
- That religious groups often have special sacred books which they use in their worship and that these sacred writings often form the basis of their beliefs.
- That religious beliefs are regarded as the truth by believers.
- That the main religion in Britain is Christianity but that there are also many religious groups in our society.

What will I know by the end of the unit?

- What we mean by the words: “symbol” and “ritual”.
- That religious writings contain symbols.
- Religious rituals are symbolic.
- That Muslims perform a symbolic ritual known as wudu.
- The steps involved in the Islamic ritual of wudu.
- That Christians perform a symbolic ritual known as baptism.
- That when babies are baptised known as a Christening.
- That a baptism in a church may involve either a font or pool known as a baptistery.
- The symbolism in the Bible story of John the Baptist and Jesus’ baptism.

Vocabulary

Symbol
Covenant
Wudu
Ritual
Mosque
Baptism
Prayer mat
Holy Spirit
Christening
Rak’ah
Church
Salah
Baptist
Purify/purified
Font
Allah
Muslim
Qur’an
Repent
Vicar
Sin
Priest

Key Knowledge

That the Christian ritual of baptism has its origins in the account of Jesus baptism, by his cousin John, in the Bible.

Religious rituals are symbolic.

That Muslims perform a symbolic ritual known as wudu.

That Christians perform a symbolic ritual known as baptism.

That water is used symbolically in religious rituals.

Investigate!

Explore the meaning of the word “symbol” and the way in which water can be symbolic.

How experiences can affect how people react to water.

What a ritual is and how rituals are both symbolic and important to religious believers.

How Muslims use water symbolically in their ritual of wudu.

How Christians use water symbolically in their rituals of baptism and Christening.

The importance of water to believers in their rituals.

Teaching Outcomes

Design a symbol

Personal response to how water makes pupils feel.

Interpreting the symbols in a Bible story.

Ordering the steps in the Islamic ritual of wudu.

Description of how water is used symbolically in, and its importance to, the Christian ritual of baptism.

