



Year 3 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 word symbol.
- That trees are symbolised in religious writings.
- That Christians have a holy book called the Bible which is part of the Jewish Torah and the Muslim Qur'an.
- That the symbol of a tree in the garden of Eden is important in Christianity.
- The story of Adam and Eve is in the Jewish Torah, the Christian Bible and Muslim Qur'an.
- That Christians follow the teachings of Jesus Christ who died on a cross.

Vocabulary

Temptation
Knowledge
Creation
Garden of Eden
Good
Evil
Deeds
Sin
Manger
Cross
Galleon
Symbol
Naked
Serpent

Teaching Outcomes

Make a collection of descriptive words about trees in the school grounds and express them as a shape poem.

Explore the meaning of the word symbol: what does it mean?

Using the story of Adam and Eve in the book of Genesis in the Bible, create their own Tree of knowledge of Good and Evil out of paper and twigs – large tree with leaves describing all the good things in the world and all the bad things.

Think about: whether the tree is a useful symbol for Christians? What is good about it? What other things be used as symbols to represent God's knowledge?

Read: The tale of three trees, consider how the trees have been used symbolically in the story.

Key Knowledge

The story of Adam and Eve and the Tree in the Garden of Eden is common to three religious groups: Jews, Christians and Muslims.

Religious ideas and concepts are often conveyed through symbols.

The meaning of the word "symbol".

That Christians follow the teachings of Jesus Christ who died on a cross.

Investigate!

The idea of a tree as a symbol: Explore the idea that the tree or a leaf from the tree could be representative of events or feelings and that not everyone thinks about the tree in the same way.

Explore the meaning of the word symbol: what does it mean?

How trees can be a symbol for many different things both good and bad?

Where/when have the children seen trees used as symbols? In what situations was it useful? The idea of a tree as a symbol in religious writings.

