



Year 1 - Why are these words special?



In this unit of work, pupils will explore special words and their significance in different religions.



As a religious educator I will explore and discuss:

1. What are my favourite books and stories?
2. Why are they special?
3. What are my favourite nursery rhymes?
4. Why are they special?
5. What are my first words?
6. What are my favourite words and what makes these words special?

What should I already know?

As a religious educator I know that:

- Many religious people have special books and stories which help them to live their lives
- Special books and words are sacred to the religious people
- Christians follow Christianity
- Hindus follow Hinduism
- Jews follow Judaism
- Sikhs follow Sikhism
- Muslims follow Islam

Key vocabulary
books
stories
sacred
holy
words

Skills

- Appreciation and wonder
- P4C
- British values
- Interpretation

Diversity

Understanding different cultures and beliefs

Christianity

As a religious educator I will know that:

- **Bible** is the special book for Christians
- **Bible** is about 2700 years old
- The **Christian Bible** has two parts – **Old Testament** which is the Hebrew scriptures of **Jesus'** time and the **New Testament** which contains writings about **Jesus Christ**
- **The Old Testament** states that God created, cares for and loves people. Some of the stories are about baby **Moses** and **Samuel**
- **Jesus** is the religious leader in Christianity
- Noah's Ark; Samson and Delilah and David and Goliath are some essential **Bible** stories

Key Vocabulary

Jesus- Christians believe Jesus was the son of God

Bible- The Christian holy book

Old Testament – explains the history of the creation of the World and the Ten Commandments given to Moses by God

New Testament- focuses more on the life and teachings of Jesus and the Christian church.

Hinduism

As a religious educator I will know that:

- The **Vedas** are the holy book of the **Hindus**.
- There are four main **Vedas** each containing various parts of Hindu beliefs
- **Bhagwad Gita** contains stories of **Lord Krishna** and his message of love and peace
- **Bhagwad Gita** helps us to get out of the cycle of birth and death
- **Ramayana** is one of the two major Sanskrit epics of ancient India and an important text of Hinduism. It narrates the life of Lord Rama, a legendary prince of Ayodhya city.

Key Vocabulary

Bhagwad Gita-is a 700 verse Hindu scripture that is part of the epic Mahabharata

Ramayana- explains the important moral influence of virtue in the life of a citizen

Judaism

As a religious educator I will know that:

- **Torah** is the special book for Jews
- **Torah** shows how God wants Jews to live.
- **Torah** refers to the five books of Moses
- The **Torah** was written by Moses
- Some stories from the **Torah** are Creation, **Noah's ark** and **Moses** in the Bulrushes
- During the Jewish festival of **Purim**, the story is read aloud in the Synagogue

Key Vocabulary

Judaism- is the collective religious, cultural and legal and civilization of the Jewish people

Jews- are people who follow Judaism

Purim- means 'lots'. It is a Jewish holiday

Islam

Pupils will know that:

- The **Quran** is the holy book of the **Muslims**
- **Muslims** regard the **Quran** as the sacred word of God
- According to the **Muslims**, the **Quran** helps in relieving stress and reducing anxiety and depression
- **Prophet Mohammad** wrote the **Quran**

Key Vocabulary

Islam- means submission to God

Muslim- people who follow and practice Islam

Prophet- a person regarded as an inspired teacher or proclaimer of the will of God

Quran- a message from Allah to humanity