

Topic: Worship

Phase: KS1

Strand: RE – Finding Out and Asking Questions

What should I already know?

- That there are special places people go to when they want to pray or worship.
- That there are many different faiths around the world, and that followers of these faiths believe different things.
- That when someone goes to a place of worship they show respect and may behave in a different way to normal.

Key Information

In this unit, we will be learning about places of worship. We will consider what a place of worship is, before exploring key features of a Jewish synagogue, Hindu mandir and Christian church. We will learn about the design of the buildings, the objects inside them, and the uses of each place of worship. We will then discuss the importance of places of worship to religious believers and communities. To end the unit, we will consolidate our learning by applying the key features of places of worship to our own design for a new place of worship.

At the end of the unit, I will be able to:

- talk about a place that is special to me
- understand what worship is
- name some places of worship
- know that a place of worship is a special place for religious believers
- know at least one important thing that Jews believe
- name some important parts of, and objects in, a Jewish synagogue
- know at least one important thing Hindus believe
- name some important parts of a Hindu mandir
- talk about examples of Hindu art
- create my own artwork inspired by Hindu art
- know at least one important thing that Christians believe
- name some important parts of a Christian church
- place objects within a church plan and know that the shape of a church is like a cross
- begin to think about what happens in a church
- name some events that happen in places of worship
- talk about at least one way a place of worship might make a religious believer feel
- think about why a place of worship might be important to different people
- design a building and justify their design choices
- present their building design to an audience.

**We are MANOR!
As learners we will ...**

Manners	Develop a respect and understanding for the views and opinions of other people and share ideas about our own ideas and thoughts in a respectful manner. We will celebrate good work, value others' contributions, and discuss and debate opinions.
Aspiration	Learn by being challenged in a series of well-designed and interesting activities designed to deepen our understanding of the world and broaden our horizons. We will be aspirational in developing knowledge and conceptual understanding through practical activities and discussions.
Nurture	To recognise that we live in a wonderful world made up of many different people and ways of living. We will develop an appreciation and respect for the diverse world and environment in which we live, showing care and compassion for the people and beliefs around us.
Open-Mindedness	We will be open-minded so that we can learn more about others and the way in which they live their lives. We will listen respectfully to each other and not laugh at or make fun of what other people say.
Resilience	Engage confidently with the RE curriculum and learn that anything is possible and failure is not something to fear but to learn from. We will support each other to learn new things and share what we know so that we might help others.

Special Places

Some places are special to people. Places can be special to people for different reasons. Sometimes, a place is special because an important thing happened there. Other places are special because they make a person feel a particular way. But some groups of people may have special places in common. If you support the same football team, your home stadium might be special to you. If a group of people all enjoy nature, they might have a park or lake that is special to them all. People can have different places that are special to them. This might be because they enjoy different things or respond to places in different ways. What places are special to you??

Special Religious Places

A special place within a religion where believers go to;

- Pray
- Learn about their religion
- Worship
- Spend time together as a community



Places of worship can also be important to people who don't follow any religion. They might still feel peaceful or happy there and might also celebrate special events there. They might also feel part of their community when they spend time with others there.

Places of Worship

Jews have a special place of worship. They go to this place to pray and worship. They also celebrate special events there. The Jewish place of worship is called a synagogue.



The special place of worship for Christians is called a church. Not all churches are the same. But there are some things you will find in most churches. The church in our village of Drayton Bassett is called St Peter's Church.



The Hindu place of worship is called a mandir, or Hindu temple. Mandirs don't all look the same. They might look different around the world, but some parts of the building have special meaning.



Key Ingredients of a Place of Worship

Places of worship are special places to religious believers. They are places for prayer, worship and learning about a faith.

Places of worship are built to help people respect the god, or gods, of their religion. They are also to help religious believers spend time with their community and focus on their faith. They have special parts and objects that help this happen.

Places of worship are also welcoming places for other people. They are often used to help people, such as by giving food or celebrating special life events.

Places of worship can make people feel differently. Some people feel peaceful and happy in a place of worship. Other people might choose to go there when they are sad and want to feel protected.

They often have special meaning to people, whether for spiritual reasons or because they are places where special events in a person's life have happened.

Vocabulary

worship	the act of showing respect and love for a god especially by praying with other people who believe in the same god
Community	a group of people living or working together in the same area.
Synagogue	a place where Jews meet to worship and pray to God.
Mandir	the place where Hindus pray.
Church	a building for public worship and especially Christian worship. The word church can also be used to describe the group of Christians who meet to worship.

Worship Quiz

- 1). What is the place of worship for Hindus called?
- 2). Can you list the four main things that you can do at a place of worship?
- 3). If you worship at a synagogue, what religion do you belong to?
- 4). If someone does not have a religion, can they go to a place of worship?
- 5). Can you think of a place that is special to you? Why is it special?

