

Religious Education
Year 4 Christmas. Exploring the symbolism of light

Vocabulary	Word definition
Jesus	The son of God.
Christingle	A special candle which is symbolic of Jesus being the light of the world.
Light of the World	Jesus is the light and whoever follows Jesus will never walk in darkness.
Incarnation	God in human form.
Salvation	Through Jesus forgiveness is offered and the relationship between God and humans is restored.
Dreidel	A small four-sided spinning top with a Hebrew letter on each side.
Hanukkah	A Jewish festival known as the Festival of Lights.

Linked films and Stories

The Christmas Story

Bible Story/Reference

John 1:1-14.

John 8:12

Key Questions - To think about

1. Why is Jesus described as the Light of the World?
2. What does the light do to the dark?
3. Why is light such a powerful symbol?
4. Is light a good metaphor for Jesus?
5. The sun already lights the world so how can Jesus be the light?
6. How did Jesus bring light?
7. How does Jesus bring light?

Symbols



