

Religious Education
Year 4 God, David and the Psalms (Autumn 1)

Vocabulary	Word definition
God	The creator of the universe. Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People of God	Chosen people to carry out God's plan.
Psalm	A sacred song or hymn found in the biblical Book of Psalms.
Inspiration	Being driven to do something or feel something.
David	A young shepherd who kills the enemy champion named Goliath.
Goliath	A Philistine champion, who is killed by David.
Saul	A king and biblical figure in Israel.
Samuel	A prophet in the Bible, who was the first after Moses.
Jonathan	The eldest son of King Saul.

Linked films and Stories: David and Goliath

Bible Story/Reference:

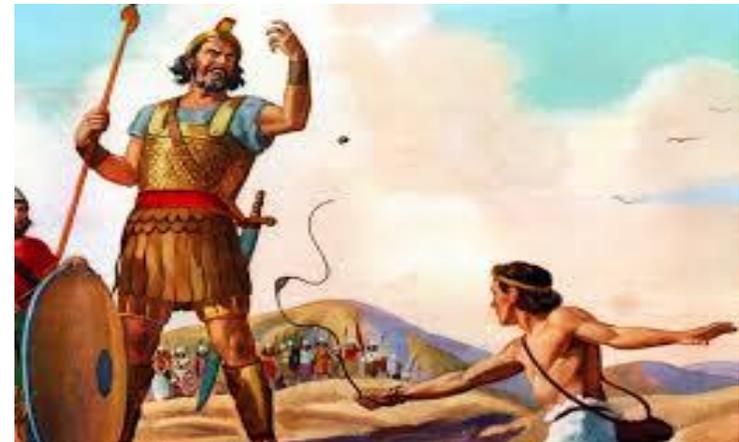
1 Samuel:16-20 Psalm 139

1 Kings:2 Psalm 121

Key Questions - To think about

1. What values do you consider to be important?
2. Who inspires you?
3. What are the qualities of good king?
4. What is God like?

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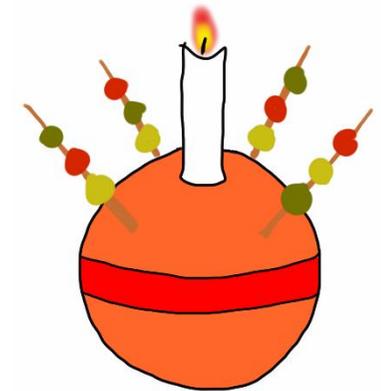
Year 4 Christmas. Exploring the symbolism of light (Autumn 2)

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.

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?

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Linked films and Stories

The Christmas Story

Bible Story/Reference

John 1:1-14.

John 8:12

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Year 4 Jesus Son of God (Spring 1)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Son of God	Jesus.
Authority	Someone who has authority is seen as being in charge and gives orders for people to follow.
Miracle	An extraordinary event seen as the work of God.
Incarnation	God in human form.
Salvation	Through Jesus forgiveness is offered and the relationship between God and humans is restored.
Sabbath	Judaism's day of rest and the seventh day of the week.
Pharisees	A Jewish group of people mentioned in the New Testament.

Key Questions - To think about

1. How do we know Jesus had power and authority?
2. Where did Jesus' power and authority come from?
3. How do the actions of Jesus show that he is the Son of God?
4. How do the actions of Jesus show his divine nature?
5. How do these stories reveal Jesus to be the Son of God?
6. What do Christians believe about Jesus and God because of these events?

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Linked films and Stories

The Calming of the Storm, Jesus walks on water

The Resurrection of Lazarus

Bible Story/Reference

Matthew 14:22-25 John 11:1-44 Luke 8:22-25

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Year 4 Exploring Easter as story of betrayal and trust (Spring 2)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Trust	Being able to rely on somebody.
Betrayal	To act against somebody who trusts you.
Forgiveness	Letting go of bad feelings when someone has upset you.
Loyalty	Sticking by someone and supporting them.
Salvation	Through Jesus forgiveness is offered and the relationship between God and humans is restored.
Judas	A disciple of Jesus who betrayed him.
Gethsemane	The garden where Jesus was arrested.
Jerusalem	A holy city in the Middle East.
Peter	A disciple who denied Jesus three times.

Key Questions - To think about

1. What is trust? How do we show trust?
2. Who do we trust? Why?
3. Why is trust important?
4. Why did Judas betray Jesus?
5. What does it mean to betray someone?
6. How does it feel to be betrayed?
7. What is forgiveness?
8. Have you ever forgiven someone?
9. Have you experienced being forgiven?

Linked films and Stories

The Easter Story

Bible Story/Reference

Mark 6: 7-13 Matthew 10: 1-20

Matthew 24:14-16, Mark 14:43-50, Luke 22, John 18

Mark 14: 66-72

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Year 4 Are all churches the same? (Summer 1)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Gospel	The good news of Jesus's life and ministry.
Kingdom of God	A vision of life lived in a way that God intended for human beings.
Church	A building used for Christian worship.
Chapel	A small building or room used for Christian worship.
Cathedral	The main church of a diocese, where you will usually find the bishop.
Sacrament	A religious ceremony or ritual such as baptism.
Vicar	A person in charge of a church and the religious needs of people in a particular area.
Curate	A member of the clergy, who is an assistant to a vicar.
Priest	An ordained minister of the catholic church.
Minister	A member of the clergy.

Linked films and Books

Across the world by Martyn Payne and Betty Pedley

Bible Story/Reference

Matthew 16:18 Romans 12 Acts 3,4, 9:32 - 10

Key Questions - To think about

1. What does 'church' mean? Are all churches the same?
2. What does it mean to belong to a church?
3. Where do people of other faiths worship? Are they all the same?
4. Are there any similarities between places of worship?
5. What are the key differences?
6. What have you learned about the church that you didn't know before?

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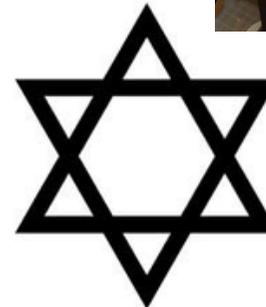
Year 4 What is important to Jewish life and worship? (Summer 2)

Vocabulary	Word definition
Shabbat	Judaism's day of rest and the seventh day of the week.
Kosher	This means 'clean' or 'pure' and refers to food that has been prepared in line with Jewish dietary laws.
Torah	The holy text of Judaism.
Orthodox Judaism	A very traditional branch of Judaism.
Reformed Judaism	A changing form of Judaism that has changed many traditional beliefs.
Menorah	A candelabra with 7 or 9 lights that is used in Jewish worship.
Mezuzah	A piece of parchment called a klaf contained in a decorative case and inscribed with specific Hebrew verses from the Torah.
Havdalah Candle	This marks the end of Shabbat when a special Havdalah candle is lit.
Seder Plate	The Passover Seder plate is a special plate containing symbolic foods eaten or displayed at the Passover Seder.

Key Questions - To think about

1. What does it mean to be Jewish?
2. What are the rules in the Torah and how are they put into practice?
3. Can you name any Jewish artefacts and explain their uses?
4. What does 'keeping kosher' mean and what is its impact on Jewish life?
5. How does a Jewish family celebrate the sabbath?

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Linked films and Books

The Torah

All about Passover - Judyth Groner

