

Year: 3

Subject: RE

Unit of Study: Places of worship

Linked Literature: 'What's inside a mosque?' and 'I am a Muslim'.

Muslim Celebrations

Places of worship

Muslim family life

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Vocabulary	
worship	To act in a way that shows great love/respect For someone
Places of worship	A building or space where people worship. They may go to pray alone or worship with others. They might go for an important ceremony.
Mosque	A Muslim place of worship.
Imam	One who leads Muslim worshippers
Qubba	A dome shape at the top of a building of worship.
The Qu'ran	Islamic Holy book
Minaret	An Islamic tower connected to a mosque.
Washroom	Use to cleanse oneself before prayer as a mark of respect. As know as the minbar
Shoe rack	A wooden rack to place your shoes before prayer.
Tasbih prayer bead	100 beads used in prayer
Mihrab	A semicircular niche is the wall of a mosque that indicates the direction that muslims should face when praying.

I need to know (continued):

- People should wear clothes that cover their arms and legs when they visit.
- Shoes are taken off when you enter.
- Pictures of humans and animals are not allowed in mosques. Instead, you might see patterns on the wall.
- People clean themselves in the ablutions area before praying.
- Mosques have prayer rooms.
- The main prayer room is called the musallah. Prayer mats are used for praying.
- Muslims all face towards Mecca when they are praying.
- Usually men and women pray in different spaces. They can use prayer beads to help them to focus.
- Services are held in mosques every day.
- The most important service for Muslims is on a Friday.
- Mosques often have a domed roof. Muslims pray kneeling on the floor on a prayer mat.
- The wall of the mosque which faces Mecca is called the qibla wall.
- It has an empty arch to show the direction of Mecca.

I need to do:

Compare the origins of the Christian faith with the origins of Islam.

Compare the origins of Christianity with the origins of Islam.

Look at different ways I can use to show what I think and believe about our world compared with Muslims.



Prior knowledge:

Muslim people believe in Allah as the one and only God. Muslims believe in angels. Muslims believe in the holy books. They believe in the prophets and that Muhammad was the final prophet. Muslims believe in the Day of Judgement (the day when Allah decides if a person goes to heaven or hell). Muslims believe in predestination (the belief that Allah has already planned out what will happen).



Why is the Al Haram Mosque so special?

Who built the Al-Masjid an-Nabawi Mosque?

What are the important features of a Mosque?

Why do people go to Mosque?

How do Muslims show respect?

How do Muslims worship at home?