

RE Vertical Concepts



Knowledge and Meaning

EYFS

- People have senses.
- People must decide what is right and wrong.

Year 2

- Stories from sacred texts teach people about right and wrong
- Concepts such as freedom are hard to define but have huge human significance.
- People use their senses to try to understand the world

Year 4

- People can interpret Truth in different ways (Plato's cave), humans are limited by experience.
- Teachings from sacred texts can inspire people's actions, e.g. sacrifice, charity and service.
- Most human beings have a sense of moral justice.

Year 6

- Different belief systems influence ideas of life's meaning and purpose.
- Philosophers cannot prove what happens after we die so seek explanations, some of which consider body and soul as separate.
- Ideas of what happens after we die give meaning to human action on earth.

Year 7

Pupils can explain their own views and the views from religions they have studied about philosophical and religious questions to do with God, humanity and the meanings of life

Year 1

- Stories from sacred texts teach people how to behave.
- Stories help some people understand the world.
- Some people ask big questions and try to answer them using reason.

Year 3

- Teachings from sacred texts help some people make moral decisions
- Ideas of 'morality' and responsibility are complex
- Ideas about what is true can be critically examined using logic and reasoned argument.

Year 5

- Many human beings see they have responsibilities to others and the world.
- Buddhist Dharma seeks to end suffering through reaching enlightenment.
- Evidence for God's existence is contested but still sought





Sacrifice

EYFS

• There are lots of people who help us.

Year 2

• Christians believe Jesus sacrificed his life to save the people he loved.

Year 4

- Historically, the Abrahamic faiths required sacrifice of animals to honour God. Abraham was honoured by God for his willingness to sacrifice his son on Gods command.
- Christians believe Jesus was the Ultimate Sacrifice, bringing people back to God's presence.
- In Islam and Christianity, personal self-sacrifice in the form of action and charity is important.

Year 6

- In Christianity, belief in Jesus' death and resurrection is important as it brings people to salvation.
- In many worldviews, personal selfsacrifices or living a good life have beneficial, future consequences.

Year 1

- Christians believe Jesus was a special baby, the incarnation of God, a saviour.
- In Genesis humanity was divided from God by Adam & Eve's disobedience.

Year 3

- Christians believe Jesus was a person of the Trinity, God in human form, sent to guide and save God's people.
- In Islam, submission to the will of Allah can involve commitments of time, money and effort.

Year 5

- In Hindu Dharma, fulfilling your duty may involve personal sacrifice.
- Christians believe Jesus fulfilled the prophesies of the Old Testament of the coming of a Messiah, a saviour.

Year 7

Pupils explain the impact of the lives of inspiring religious figures, and account for the impact of their own 'heroes' on their thinking and behaviour



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Human Context

Year 1

- People show they belong through special objects, buildings, worship, celebrations and rites of passage.
- People show their beliefs on their own and in groups.
- Person, Time & Place: Jesus (Jewish), about 2000 years ago, Judea (Israel)

Year 3

- Individual expression of belief can impact everyday life, this can show diversity within as well as between worldviews.
- Some people express religious symbolism through creative arts, others don't.
- Person, Time & Place: Muhammad (Muslim), about 1400 years ago, Mecca (Saudi Arabia)

Year 5

- Events in history in different places have impacted (Christian) diversity.
- Religious worldviews have significant impact on arts and culture.
- Person, Time & Place: Siddhartha Gautama (The Buddha), about 2500 years ago, Northern India
- Person, Time & Place: George Frederick Handel (German), 1685-1759AD, UK

EYFS

- People have differences and similarities expressed through clothes, food, celebrations and special objects.
- People can be different but still belong.

Year 2

- People express their beliefs through special objects, buildings, worship, celebrations and rites of passage
- Different groups express their beliefs in different ways
- Person, Time & Place: Moses (Hebrew), about 3400 years ago, Egypt

Year 4

- Expression of belief can be seen locally, nationally and internationally (local focus – places of worship or contribution to local community).
- Events in history and human conflict have impacted (Islamic) diversity.
- **Person, Time & Place:** Dr Hany El-Banna (Muslim), 1980s, Birmingham
- Person, Time & Place: Edith Cavell (Christian), 1865-1915AD, England & Belgium

Year 6

- Diversity within groups leads to diversity of expression (local, national, Global).
- Places and celebrations have significance to individuals and communities (in Hindu Dharma).
- **Person, Time & Place:** Diverse philosophers through time.

Year 7

Pupils explain connections between beliefs and values, giving their own thoughtful ideas about what is good and evil in the light of belief in various ways.