



RE Summer term 1 Year Two

Why is the church a special place for Christians? Where do other faiths worship?

Key vocabulary	Explanation/ definition	Key Knowledge
Church	a building for Christian religious activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The church is a special place where Christians meet to worship and pray. It is also the body of people not just the building.
vicar	A vicar is an Anglican priest who is in charge of a church and the area it is in, which is called a parish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Christians, the church is a holy blessed space.
minister	a person authorised to conduct religious worship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moses and the people of God built the Tabernacle (tent of meeting) to house the ark of the covenant.
pews	A pew is a long wooden seat with a back, which people sit on in church	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People of other faiths have special holy places of worship, what these buildings are called, their key features, and the worship that takes place there.
font	a large bowl for baptismal water, usually mounted on a pedestal	
altar	a type of table used in ceremonies in a Christian church or in other religious buildings	
stained glass	glass that has been coloured and cut into various shapes to form pictures or patterns, used especially in church windows	
worship	to show respect and love for God or for a god especially by praying, having religious services, etc.	
Holy	If you describe something as holy, you mean that it is considered to be special because it is connected with God or a particular religion	
sacred	considered to be holy and deserving respect, especially because of a connection with a god	



Holy Trinity Church



A Mosque



A Gurdwara



Tabernacle



Ark of the Covenant

Mosque	A mosque is a place of worship for Muslims	
minaret tower	A tall, thin tower on or near a mosque from which Muslims are called to pray	
Temple	A temple is a building used for the worship of a god or gods, especially in the Buddhist, Jewish, Mormon, and Hindu religions, and in ancient Greek and Roman times	
Tabernacle	For the Jews in ancient times, a tabernacle was a type of tent moved from place to place and used for worship	
Ark of the covenant	A wooden box that contained the writings of Jewish law, and that represented to the people of Israel the idea of God being present and leading them	
Gurdwara	A temple and place of worship for Sikhs	

Key skills

By the end of this unit, pupils are expected to be able to:

- Ask good questions that reveal understanding about the church and what happens there.
- Connect the features of the church to Bible Stories.
- Use religious vocabulary to name and describe the features of a church building and other places of worship.
- Describe a few similarities and differences between places of worship.