

Waterloo Primary School - RE Knowledge Organiser

Topic: Why do some people believe God exists?

Year: 6

Strand: Believing

What should I already know?

- Muslims believe in God, call him Allah and use the Qur'an to learn about their religion.
- Christians believe that God is made up of the Holy Trinity; God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.
- Hindus believe in the Trimurti - Brahma (creator), Vishnu (preserver), Shiva (destroyer).

Vocabulary

Theist- a person who believes in the existence of a god or gods.

Atheist- a person who does not believe in a god

Agnostic- a person who believes it is impossible to know whether God exists or not.

Islam - a religion that Muslims follow.

Allah - the Muslim name for God

Christianity - the religion that Christians follow.

Holy Trinity - the trio of faith that Christians believe in made up of God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit

Hinduism - the religion that Hindus follow

Trimurti - the trio of deities that Hindus believe in.

What will I know by the end of this unit of work?

- How following a religion or belief can be beneficial in someone's life.
- How following a religion or belief can be challenging in someone's life.
- That Christians interpret the text of Genesis in different ways which affects their beliefs.

What will I be able to do by the end of this unit of work?

- Present different views on why people believe in God or not, including my own ideas.
- Explain how Christians sometimes disagree about what God is like, giving examples of how they interpret texts differently.
- Enquire into what some atheists, agnostics and theists say about God.
- Express thoughtful ideas about the impact of believing or not believing in God on someone's life (expressing their own ideas and arguments, using evidence and examples)