



RE Knowledge Organiser – Worship

What makes places special?



Key knowledge –

A Church is a special place for Christians to feel close to Jesus and God.

- Christians worship and pray in Churches.
- They show that God is important to them by singing His praises and thanking Him for all he does and all he has made.
- Inside a church, you might find: a pulpit, altar, pews, stained glass windows showing Bible stories, an organ or piano, a cross and statues of religious figures.

Mosques are special places for Muslims.

- They are used by Muslims to worship and pray to Allah (God).
- Men and women pray in different prayer halls.
- Muslims take off their shoes and wash themselves before they pray and most Muslims cover their heads before entering the mosque.
- Inside a mosque, you might find: a dome, prayer hall and a washing area.

Synagogues are special places for Jews where they worship and pray to God.

- Jews wear special clothes during worship, for example: a kippah (a small cap worn to show respect to God and tallit (a prayer shawl to remind Jews of the rules they have to follow).
- Inside a synagogue you might find: prayer hall and an ark.
- Sometimes men and women sit apart during worship.

Key vocabulary

- Christians • Jews • Muslims • Torah scrolls • pulpit • altar • prayer hall • ark • kippah • tallit • Qur'an • Bible •

Definitions

Church – a special building where Christians gather to worship.



Synagogue – a Jewish place of worship and study.



Mosque – a place of worship for Muslims.

