



Year 3 Religious Education



Why do people pray?

Prior Learning

- What makes some place sacred? (Year 2).
- Understand that people have special places they like to visit and have different places of worship.
- Understand that places of worship can be similar and different to each other.



Sticky Knowledge

- Describe the practice of prayer in Christianity and Hinduism. Christians pray in different ways such as lighting candles, kneeling, open hands, through silence, through meditation. Hindus can pray to a Hindu shrine, using a puja tray and music.
- Make connections between what people believe about prayer and what they do when they pray.
- Describe ways in which prayer can comfort and challenge believers.
- Describe similarities and differences between how Christians and Hindus pray.

Vocabulary

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| God | A being that is worshipped as being the creator of the world. |
| Christian | People who follow the religion of Christianity. |
| Hindu | People who follow the religion of Hinduism. |
| Pray | Talking to God. |
| Lord's Prayer | A central Christian prayer which Jesus taught as the way to pray. |
| Gayatri Mantra | A universal morning Hindu prayer. |
| Puja | A Hindu act of worship. |
| Divya lamp | A lamp lit as a symbol of God's presence. |
| Incense | An incense that burns and gives off a pleasant aroma, which purifies the air around the shrine. |
| Puja tray | A tray used for puja with divya lamps, incense, a bell and kum kum powder. |