

Sum 2 Reception Special Places Knowledge Organiser

What makes a place Holy?

Subject specific Vocabulary		Images/Diagrams/Maps	Important Knowledge
Church	A special place where Christians go to pray and worship.		Christians worship in a church. Muslims worship in a mosque. Hindus worship in a temple/mandir. People consider places to be special for different reasons. Some people of faith take off their shoes before entering a place of worship
Holy	Very special and important to people who believe in God.		
Mandir	A special place where Hindus go to pray and worship.		
Mosque	A special place where Muslims go to pray and worship.		
Temple	A special place where people of some religions go to pray.		
Key Questions Where is your special place? Why is it special? Why is the church a special place for Christians? Why is the Mosque a special place for Muslims? When do you visit your special place? Who goes with you to your special place? What makes a place a holy place? Why do some people of faith remove their shoes before entering their place of worship?		Writing/Provision/ Enrichment opportunities	
		Visit a place of worship linked to world faith eg: Islam – Mosque Hinduism – Temple/Mandir Children draw and describe where their special place is and why.	

Presentation		Assessment	
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	☐	☐ talk about their special places. ☐ talk about places of worship as special/holy places. ☐ talk about taking off your shoes in a special/holy place.	☐ Can explain why a place of worship is important to the people who use it and what makes it “holy” or special. ☐ Can explain why people might remove shoes in certain holy places, linking it to respect and tradition. ☐ Can compare this practice to other actions people take to show respect in holy or special places (e.g., bowing, covering heads). ☐ Can notice similarities and differences between different places of worship (church, mosque, temple, synagogue).