Progression in skills and knowledge



Language – Key Words and Concepts

	RECEPTION	5-7S: EXPLORING AND	7-9S: KNOWING AND	9-11S: UNDERSTANDING AND
	CURIOSITY AND EXPERIENCE	DISCOVERING	UNDERSTANDING	CONNECTING
The	Religion	Religion, celebration,	Religion, spiritual,	Religion, harmony, respect, justice,
General	Special books	festival, symbol,	commitment, values,	faith, inter-faith, tolerance, moral
Language	Special places	thankful, faith, belief,	prayer, pilgrim, pilgrimage,	values, religious plurality, moral codes,
of	Special stories	wise sayings, rules for	ritual, symbol, community,	holiness, spiritual, inspiration, vision,
Religious	Prayer	living, co-operation,	worship, devotion, belief,	symbol, community, commitment,
Study	Celebration festival	belonging, worship,	life after death, destiny,	values, sources of wisdom, spiritual,
	Festival of Lights	holiness, sacred, Creation story	soul, inspiration, role-model	Golden Rule, charity place of worship,
	Diwali			sacred text, devotion, prayer, worship,
	Chinese New Year			compassion.
	Family			
	Christmas	Christian, God, Creator,	Christian, Christmas,	Christian, Jesus, Bible, Gospel, Letters
Christianity	Bible	Christmas, Easter,	Easter, Pentecost, Harvest	of
	Church	Jesus, church, altar,	Festival, Messiah, liturgy,	Saint Paul, Trinity, Incarnation, Holy
	Jesus	font, Bible, gospel.	church, Gospel, Jesus, Holy	Spirit,
	Easter		Spirit God the Creator, Trinity,	resurrection, Christmas, Easter,
			Heaven	Pentecost, Eucharist, agape.
	Moses	Jewish, synagogue,	Jewish, Judaism, Moses,	Judaism, Jewish, Torah, Shabbat,
Judaism	Passover	Torah, bimah,	Exodus, Law-giver, Ten	Pesach,
	Torah	Hanukkah, Ark,	Commandments, Star of	Hanukkah, Ten Commandments,
	Synagogue	Judaism, shabbat.	David, Passover / Pesach, Shabbat	persecution, prejudice, Beth Shalom
				remembrance
	Allah, Prophet	Muslim, Islam, Allah,	Muslim, Islam, Allah,	Muslim, Allah, Prophethood, Ummah, 5
Islam	Muhammad,	Prophet, mosque, Eid,	Prophet, mosque, Qur'an,	Pillars, Prophet Muhammad, Iman
	Qur'an,	Qur'an, moon and star.	moon and star, paradise.	(faith),
	Mosque			akhlaq (character or moral conduct)
				Qur'an, Hadith, Mosque, Hajj.

Hindu	Festival of Lights Diwali		Hindu, mandir, murtis, gods and goddesses, Divali, Aum.	Hindu, ahimsa, karma, dharma, murtis, Brahman, mandir, gods and goddesses, shrines, Mahatma
Non-	Non-religious	Humanist, Golden	Humanist, Golden Rule,	Atheist, agnostic, Humanist, rationalist,
religious		Rule, non-religious	non-religious, spiritual but not	Golden Rule, 'spiritual but not
worldviews			religious, atheist.	religious'.

	Express Ideas and Insights						
E.Y.F.S. F1	E.Y.F.S. F2	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Understand 'why' questions	Talk about members of my immediate family and community. Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society. Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.	Ask questions about the meaning of the festival and listen to answers. Respond to some of the experiences and emotions of festivals. Ask questions about how we show we care for others. Respond to ideas and values such as care, kindness and generosity with simple ideas of my own. Ask questions about 'Jesus' special powers' Ask questions about what happens and why in holy buildings.	Ask questions about leadership and suggest answers. Respond to the idea that Moses and Saint Peter were guided by God or given wisdom by God. Ask own questions about Christenings and Believer's Baptism. Recount how a baby or young adult is welcomed into the Christian community. Ask questions about stories I study and suggest ideas. Respond to big ideas	Ask and answer questions about how and why Christians celebrate God's creation, Jesus born in Bethlehem, Easter and Harvest. Express their own ideas about the deeper meanings of these festivals. Ask and answer questions about prayer in Islam and Christianity. Respond thoughtfully to beliefs and ideas about prayer. Ask and answer questions about at least three different ways the religious buildings are used by the different communities. Ask and answer questions about leadership and inspiration, using details from stories they learned. Express my own ideas about who is inspiring and why.	Consider varied answers to questions about life as a journey and about afterlife. Express reasons why I hold my own views about life after death. Consider varied questions about the purpose of going on pilgrimages. Consider varied answers to questions about why music matters in human life and in religious life. Express reasons why particular pieces of music are spiritual to them. Express reasons why particular pieces of music are spiritual for me. Respond with thoughtful ideas of my own to the ways Hindus celebrate. Express some deeper meanings of festivals I study giving reasons why particular rituals are important to Hindus.	Consider varied questions about what makes a person inspiring. Explain my ideas thoughtfully about the inspiring leaders I study. Consider varied answers to questions about God. Explain with reasons why I select one of the 4 elements of Christianity as the most important. Clearly express reasons why some religious people believe that worship makes them more charitable. Explain the value of worship and holy buildings and charity and compassion. Clearly express reasons why some religious people believe that worship makes them even more charitable.	Consider varied answers to questions about the value of holy writings and other sources of wisdom. Explain thoughtfully my own ideas about wise words, selecting examples and clearly expressing reasons for my choices. Consider varied answers to questions about building peaceful families and communities. Explain thoughtfully ideas about communities, why they matter and how they can become stronger. Consider varied answers about justice, fairness, human rights and environment. Explain thoughtfully my own ideas about the work of some global development charities. Consider varied answers to questions about suffering and God. Explain with reasons why it is important to remember examples of hatred and prejudice.

Know About and Understand a Range of Religious and World Views							
E.Y.F.S. F1	E.Y.F.S. F2	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Begin to understand what it repersponsible and be a member community.		Recall and name key figures in the stories of Jesus. Recall the name of religious festivals, objects and symbols. Retell a story that lies behind a festival. Suggest a meaning for an object used in the worship of a festival. Suggest a meaning for a symbol, song or artefact from Judaism and Christianity. Recall and name key objects from a church and a synagogue.	Recall and name key figures in stories I have studied and explain what they did. Recognise what is meant by describing Moses as a great leader, or Peter as a Saint, giving examples of their leadership. Recognise that different people see different meanings in stories Recall and name some key words about Jewish beliefs. Suggest some reasons why it matters to people to belongs to communities.	Describe what Christians do at two different festivals. Connect the celebrations to Bible texts and to beliefs about God. Describe how Muslims and Christians pray. Connect ideas and beliefs to what people in these two religions do. Describe 4 key features of each of three religious buildings, a mosque, mandir and church. Connect the key features of the buildings with beliefs about God in each religion. Connect the idea of inspirational leaders to the stories I learn.	Describe 4 different beliefs about life after death. Is Show that I understand why life is like a journey. Connect at least two viewpoints they have studied with texts from different religions. Describe some religions. Describe some religious beliefs that underlie the practice of pilgrimages in at least two religions. Describe beliefs and practice about worship with music in Christianity. Show that I understand how and why Christians use music to express beliefs about God and devotion to God. Describe Hindu beliefs about the gods and goddesses. Show an understanding of what happens at Hindu worship in the home or Mandir	Show that I understand how inspirational leaders are examples of their religious' ideals. Connect two examples from different world views; identify what they have in common. Explain three or more key Christian beliefs. Show that I understand what matters to Christians Explain the main beliefs about of Muslims and Hindus about God. Show that they understand why the worship of Allah/Brahman matters to Muslims and Hindus. Explain beliefs about the value of sacred space and holy buildings to believers in at least two religions	Explain the impact of beliefs about sacred writings, God and values. Explain two viewpoints about why people need wise words to follow. Explain the impact of beliefs about communities on people from different religions. Connect at least two viewpoints about whether our communities can be more harmonious to teachings from religious sacred texts. Explain the impact of beliefs on how people respond to charity. Connect two viewpoints about justice and charity. Explain the impact of beliefs on people's lives. Show I understand a story of Nazi hatred. Write a factsheet about the way Jewish people responded to the prejudice and

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Reception	Key Stage 1	Lower Key stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
Curiosity and Experience	Exploring and Discovering	Knowing and Understanding	Understanding and Connecting
Which stories are special and why?	Who celebrates what and why?	what difference does it make to be a Christian?	What can we learn from great leaders and inspiring examples in today's world?
Which people are special and why?	How do we show we care for others? Why does it matter?	How do religious families and communities practice their faith? The example of prayer.	What is expected of a person in following a religious belief?
What places are special and why?	Stories of Jesus: What can we learn from them?	Where, how and why do people worship?	How do peoples' beliefs about God, the world and others have impact on their lives?
What times are special and why?	In what way are synagogues important to believers?	What can we learn from inspiring people in sacred texts and in the history of religions?	How are religious and spiritual beliefs expressed in arts, architecture, charity and generosity.
Belonging: Who are we and how do we belong?	What makes some people inspiring to others? Moses and Saint Peter	Why do some people think life is a journey? What do different people think about life after death?	What do sacred texts and other sources say about God, the world and human life?
Our wonderful world: how can we care for living things and the earth?	What do Jewish people believe about God, creation, humanity and the natural world?	Christianity, music and worship: what can we learn?	How can we make Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire places of respect?
	What is it like to belong to the Christian religion today?	How do Hindu families practice their faith?	How do religions and beliefs respond to global issues?
	Jewish and Christian stories: How and why are some stories important in religions?	What are the deeper meanings of some Hindu festivals?	What can we learn from people who resist discrimination and persecution?

Gain and Deploy Skills							
E.Y.F.S. F1	E.Y.F.S. F2	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
velop positive attitudes ab	ou Retrog nise that	Express an idea of	Express an idea	Consider ideas such	Explain similarities	Apply ideas of	Apply the idea of 'wor
ferences between people.	people have	my own about why	about my own	as generosity,	between Hindu,	inspiration for myself	of wisdom' for
	different beliefs and	festivals and	leadership, linking it	community and love	Christian, Muslim	to stories of leaders.	themselves, selecting
	celebrate special	celebrations matter.	to the stories they	-in action.	and Humanist ideas		examples and explain
	times in different		have learned.		about the purposes	Explain what matters	them.
	ways.	Give an example of a		List the similarities	of life and life after	about the lives of	
		big day in my own	Give an example of a	between the four	death.	inspirational leaders.	Explain similarities ar
	Show sensitivity to	life and talk about	great leader.	different Christian			differences between
	my own and others'	why what made it		festivals.	Apply the ideas of	Understand what	holy books or the
	needs.	special.	Express an idea of		spiritual journeys for	matters about	writings from two
			my own God.	Explain my own	themselves.	worshipping God to	different religions.
	Know some	Express an idea of		ideas about the		Christians.	
	similarities and	my own about a	Find out more about	Creation stories.	Explain similarities		Apply the ideas of
	differences between	religious story if	Jewish beliefs and		and differences	Explain similarities and	tolerance and respec
	different religious	caring.	ways of talking	Discuss questions	between varied	differences between	some tensions or
	and cultural		about God.	about prayer that	approaches to	different celebrations	problems in commu
	communities in this	Give an example of		come up in the	pilgrimage from	that are part of	relations.
	country, drawing on	how a person can	Express an idea of	study.	different religions	Christian worship.	
	my own experiences	show their values.	my own belonging to		and world views.		Explain what matter
	and what has been		God and discuss the	List similarities		Understand and	about peace, respec
	read in class.	Give an example of a	importance of this	between the two	Explain what	express what matters	and harmony to me
		belief about Jesus.	for myself and for	ways of prayer in	spirituality means for	about worshipping	in my community.
			Christians.	Christianity and	me.	God to Muslims	
		Find out more about		Islam.			Apply the idea of jus
		Jesus, inferring a	Give an example of		Explain similarities	Explain what matters	to at least two case
		simple idea from a	my own community	Consider ideas about	and differences	about worshipping	studies.
		story.	life and identify what	what makes	between examples	gods and goddesses to	
			matters.	buildings special to	of the music	Hindus.	Explain similarities a
		Express an idea of		others.	Christians use from		differences between
		my own about why	Explain what I like		the past and in	Apply the ideas of	global aid charities.
		some people go to	about belonging.	Explore questions	contemporary	worship and service to	
		holy buildings.		about holy buildings.	worship.	the key questions	Apply the ideas of
			Express an idea of			about Beliefs in Action.	respect, harmony ar
		Give an example of	my own about some	Consider ideas such	Explain similarities		goodness to the live
		a sacred space out of	of the big questions	as 'patriarch'	and differences		those who rejected
		door.	from my work.	'prophet' or	between two Hindu		ideas.
				'messiah' and	festivals.		
		Talk about my own	Give at least 2	understand what			Explain what matter
		ideas of sacred	examples of Bible	these words mean.	Explain the		about the remembra
		spaces.	characters, saying		similarities between		of those who died a
			who got it wrong	List similarities	a 'big day' I celebrate		those who survived
			and say what	between the key	and Hindu festivals.		ideas of 'upstanders
			happened in the	leaders studied.			
			story.				
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