



Word	Definition
EYFS	
God	A belief in a creator of the world who looks after all things
Nativity	The birth of Jesus and the Christmas story.
Christmas	The celebration of Jesus' birth
Easter	A time of hope and new life
Belonging	Feeling part of something
Celebration	To have a special time
Year 1	
Christianity	Believers in Jesus
God	A belief in the creator of the world who looks after all things
Creation	Bringing something into existence
Harvest	Harvest means to collect what has been planted and grown in the ground
Community	A group of people who live/work in the same place or have the same beliefs
Judaism	A belief in the God of the Old Testament.
Torah	A holy scroll of Judaism
Star of David	A Jewish symbol
Shabbat	A weekly Friday religious celebration



Challah	Bread served on Shabbat
Passover	A Jewish celebration
Hanukkah	An eight-day festival of lights
Menorah	Seven-branched candelabrum which was lit daily in the Temple
Mezuzah	A scroll placed on doorposts of Jewish homes, containing a section from the Torah and often enclosed in a decorative case
Rabbi	A Jewish religious leader
Synagogue	Jewish place of worship
Year 2	
Christians	Believers in Jesus
Incarnation	The Christian belief that God became a man-Jesus
Gospel	The teachings of Jesus and the apostles
Lent	The 40 days leading up to Easter
Palm Sunday	Palm Sunday The Sunday before Easter, when Jesus went into Jerusalem and crowds waved palm branches.
Resurrection	The belief that Jesus Christ was the Son of God and rose again after his death.
Muslim	Someone who believes in Islam.
Islam	The belief in Allah as the one God
God/Tawhid	The belief that God is one and that there is only one God



Iman	Faith
Hajj	Pilgrimage to Mecca
Ibadah	Following the teaching of Allah in daily life and prayer
Akhirah	Life after Death
Akhlaq	Acting in an honest way
Ramadan	The ninth month of the Islamic calendar, during which many Muslims fast
Year 3	
Faith	A belief in a religion
Creation	Bringing something into existence/making something
Fall	The idea that God was disappointed in Adam and Eve and banished them from the Garden of Eden
Gospel	The teachings of Jesus and the apostles
Judaism	A belief that there is only one God. Jewish people believe they have a special agreement with God called a covenant.
Torah	A holy text of Judaism
Old Testament	The Part of the Bible that is set before Jesus was born



New Testament	The part of the Bible that is set after Jesus is born
The People and the Land	A belief that the land now known as Israel belongs to Jews in fulfilment of God's covenant with Abraham to give the Jewish people a Promised Land.
Hanukkah	An eight-day festival of lights
Menorah	Seven-branched candelabrum
Mezuzah	A scroll placed on doorposts of Jewish homes, containing a section from the Torah and often enclosed in a decorative case
Rabbi	The religious leader of a Jewish community
Synagogue	Also called a temple, it is a Jewish place of worship.
Year 4	
Hinduism	Hinduism has no founder, single teacher nor any prophets.
Mandir	Hindu holy temple
Samsara and moksha	Samsara means going through the cycle of births and deaths (reincarnation) to become one with Brahma. This is referred to as moksha.
Brahma and Atman	A belief in a God called Brahman. Hindus believe that there is a part of Brahman in everyone and this is called the Atman.
Karma	The belief that the way a person has behaved in previous lives affects the quality of their present life.
Dharma	Dharma - the spiritual laws for leading life
Vedas	Hindu religious texts



Diwali	Festival of lights at the end of one year and beginning of the new year according to the Hindu calendar.
Murti	The image or deity used as a focus of worship
Old Testament	The part of the Bible that is set before Jesus was born
New Testament	The part of the Bible that is set after Jesus was born
The Bible	The Christian Holy Book
The trinity	A way of describing God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.
Good Friday	Also known as Holy Friday, this is a Christian holy day marking the crucifixion and looking forward to the resurrection (Easter Sunday)
Pentecost	A celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus
Significance	Importance
Year 5	
Muslim	Someone who believes in Islam.
Islam	The belief in Allah as the one God
God/Tawhid	The belief that God is one and that there is only one God
Iman	Faith
Hajj	Annual pilgrimage to Mecca, which each Muslim must undertake at least once in a lifetime if they have the health and wealth



Ibadah	Following the teaching of Allah in daily life and prayer
Incarnation	The Christian belief that God took human form.
Messiah	A title given to the person believed to be the saviour
Christmas	Christian feast on December 25th that commemorates the birth of Christ
Holy	Sacred
Torah	The Torah is made up of the first five books of the Hebrew Bible (which Christians call the Old Testament). These books are Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy.
Moral values	Moral values are the system of beliefs based on an individual's belief of what is right and what is wrong
Humanism	A belief without a God where followers trust that this is the only life and that humans should make it the best possible experience for themselves and everyone/everything that shares the planet
Year 6	
Samsara and moksha	Samsara means going through the cycle of repeated births and deaths (reincarnation) to become one with Brahma. This is referred to as moksha.
Brahma and Atman	A belief in a God called Brahman. Brahman takes on many forms that some Hindus worship as gods or goddesses in their own right. Hindus believe that there is a part of Brahman in everyone and this is called the Atman.
Karma	The concept that all actions in a previous life affect the quality of a person's present life.
Dharma	Dharma - the spiritual laws for leading life
Vedas	Hindu religious texts
Caste system	A way of dividing people into groups with different responsibilities and roles.
Diwali	Festival of lights at the end of one year and beginning of the new year, according to one Hindu calendar.



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The trinity	A way of describing God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.
Pope	The Bishop of Rome, head of the Roman Catholic Church.
Non-religious	Not believing in a religion
Atheism	Rejection in a belief in the existence of a god or gods
Agnosticism	Not knowing whether or not God exists
Complement	Support or endorse
Conflict	Difference of opinion. Opposition