

Knowledge Organiser

Year: 1

Subject: RE

Unit: How did the universe come to be?

Overview:

During this sequence of learning, pupils will look at the key beliefs of Christianity and Hinduism and explore what Hindus and Christians may say about the creation of the universe.

What should I already know?

Christianity

- Christians believe that God is:
  - Loving (showing great love and care)
  - Compassionate (having concern for others)
  - Powerful (having great strength)
  - Creative (uses imagination to solve problems)
- Christians believe that Jesus was sent down to earth by God to save people.
- Christians believe that they can learn from the way Jesus lived his life.
- Easter is a special celebration for Christians.
- The cross is the main Christian symbol. It reminds Christians that Jesus died on the cross to save them.
- God loves people so much that Jesus was willing to die to show that love and to help people to be friends with God.
- Jesus' resurrection shows Christians that death is not the end.

Hinduism

- Hinduism is one of the world religions. It is a religion that believes in many gods. People that follow the religion of Hinduism are called Hindus.
- Hindus worship one supreme being called Brahma who created other gods to be his helpers - Vishnu and Shiva.
- Hindus believe that God is not up in heaven but inside each and every person, waiting to be discovered.
- Hindus worship in a Hindu Temple which is also called a Mandir.
- Hindus have several holy books; they are called Vedas.

Vocabulary:

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| Christianity | The religion based on the teachings of Jesus Christ                                |
| Hinduism     | The main religion of India, which has many gods                                    |
| God          | A being that is worshipped and believed to have special powers over nature or life |
| Brahman      | Brahman is the main God, who can take the form of Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva         |
| Brahma       | The creator of the universe  |
| Shiva        | The destroyer of the universe  |
| Vishnu       | The preserver of the universe  |
| Bible        | The Christian holy book also known as Gods word                                    |
| Vedas        | Special Hindu texts. Veda means knowledge  |
| Creation     | The universe or the creatures in it  |

What will I know by the end of the unit?

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| <p>Philosophy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 'big idea' helps us to make sense of experiences or information.</li> <li>• A puzzling question is one that is difficult to understand or solve.</li> </ul> <p>Christianity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'The universe was created by God?' is a 'big idea'</li> <li>• The Christian religion has a story that explains how the universe was created (made).</li> <li>• Christians believe that God created the universe and everything in it.</li> <li>• Questions we ask about religious stories often start with how or why to help us understand some of the information like 'How did God get his power to make the universe.</li> <li>• Christians believe that the answer to questions about the creation stories can be found in their holy books (the Bible)</li> </ul> <p>Hinduism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The universe was created by Brahma?' is a 'big idea'</li> <li>• The Hindu religions has a story that explains how the universe was created (made).</li> <li>• Hindus believe that Brahma created the world and everything in it and Vishnu looks after the world and the people in it.</li> <li>• Questions we ask about religious stories often start with how or why to help us understand some of the information like 'How did Brahma get his power to make the universe.</li> <li>• Hindus believe that the answer to questions about the creation stories can be found in their holy books (Vedas)</li> </ul> | <p>Universe</p> <p>Compassionate</p> <p>Supreme</p> <p>Mandir</p> | <p>All existing things, including the earth and heavens</p> <p>Caring about others, treat others with kindness</p> <p>Having the highest rank</p> <p>A Hindu temple</p> |
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