

Living

Year: 1 Term: 5

Key question: What does it mean to belong to a faith community?

Symbols of Christian belonging - There are many Christian symbols; for example a cross or a crucifix as a badge or necklace. Some Christians show a fish/ICHTHUS (this was a secret symbol for early Christians, also a reminder of Jesus' disciples, many of whom were fishermen). The word comes from five Greek words that mean: Jesus Christ, God's Son, Saviour'. 'What would Jesus do?' (WWJD) bracelet, an image of Jesus, Jesus and Mary, a church, rosary, Bible.. Christians all belong to a group, and the most important person to them is Jesus. They belong to Jesus and he belongs to them.

What can we notice about Muslim belonging? We will look at Arabic calligraphy. The letters spelling A-LL-AH, which is the Muslim word for 'God', are written from right to left in Arabic. This is the most important thing Muslims belong to. Many Muslims will have some calligraphy in their house and the mosque. The Prophet 'Muhammad'. was a man who belonged totally to Allah as he was very good, loving and wise. The things Muhammad said and did help Muslims today to be good. The story of the Boy who threw Stones and Trees is about a boy who made bad choices and how the Prophet Muhammad helped him be better.

Symbols of Jewish belonging A Shabbat meal is a symbol of Jewish belonging. Shabbat is an exciting and important day that Jewish people look forward to all week. On Friday, families work hard to prepare food, clean their houses and lay their dining tables ready for Shabbat. Shabbat candles are lit on the dinner table. Wine (or grape juice) is shared in a Kiddush cup. Challah bread is eaten. Challah tastes much sweeter than normal bread. This helps remind people that Shabbat is special. Blessings are recited.

Vocabulary

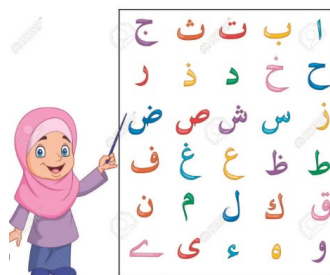
belonging	Belonging is being somewhere where you want to be, and they want you.
Christian	Christianity is the belief that Jesus is the Christ, or chosen one, whom God sent to the world to save humans.
rosary	The rosary is a series of prayers that is recited with the aid of a string of beads or a knotted cord.
Muslim	Followers of Islam are called Muslims. Muslims believe there is one true God Allah (the Arabic word for God).
Arabic	Arabic is a Semitic language spoken primarily across the Arab world.
Prophet Muhammad	The prophet Muhammad was the founder of the religion of Islam. Followers of Islam, called Muslims, believe that Muhammad received messages from Allah (God).
Jewish/Judaism	Jewish people follow Judaism which teaches that there is only one God and that God created the world. God expressed what he expects of people in the Ten Commandments and other laws.
Shabbat	Shabbat is the Jewish Day of Rest. Shabbat happens each week from sunset on Friday to sunset on Saturday.
baptism	Baptism is a ceremony that symbolises a commitment to living a life as a Christian.

Key Questions:

- Do we all belong to something?
- How do Christians show they belong?
- How do Muslims know that they belong?
- How do Jewish people show they belong together as a community?



baptism



Arabic



Shabbat