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God	EYFS (F1 God/Creation)	Year 1 & 2 (1.1 God)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.3 Incarnation/God)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.1 God)
	Retell stories, talking about what they say about the world, God, human beings	Identify what a parable is - Tell the story of the Lost Son from the Bible simply and recognise a link with the Christian idea of God as a forgiving Father -Give clear, simple accounts of what the story means to Christians	Recognise what a 'Gospel' is and give an example of the kinds of stories it contains - Offer suggestions about what texts about baptism and Trinity mean -Give examples of what these texts mean to some Christians today	Identify some different types of biblical texts, using technical terms accurately - Explain connections between biblical texts and Christian ideas of God, using theological terms
	Say how and when Christians like to thank their Creator	Give at least two examples of a way in which Christians show their belief in God as loving and forgiving (e.g. by saying 'sorry', by seeing God as welcoming them back; by forgiving others) -Give an example of how Christians put their beliefs into practice in worship (e.g. by saying sorry to God)	Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship in different ways (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live	Make clear connections between Bible texts studied and what Christians believe about God, for example, through how cathedrals are designed -Show how Christians put their beliefs into practice in worship
	Talk about things they find interesting, puzzling or wonderful and also about their own experiences and feelings about the world	Think, talk and ask questions about whether they can learn anything from the story for themselves, exploring different ideas -Give a reason for the ideas they have and the connections they make	Make links between some Bible texts studied and the idea of God in Christianity, expressing clearly some ideas of their own about what Christians believe God is like.	Weigh up how biblical ideas and teachings about God as holy and loving might make a difference in the world today, developing insights of their own.

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Creation	EYFS (F1 God/Creation)	Year 1 & 2 (1.2 Creation)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.1 Creation/Fall)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.2 Creation)
	Retell stories, talking about what they say about the world, God, human beings	-Retell the story of creation from Genesis 1:1–2:3 simply -Recognise that 'Creation' is the beginning of the 'big story' of the Bible -Say what the story tells Christians about God, Creation and the world	-Place the concepts of God and Creation on a timeline of the Bible's 'big story' -Make clear links between Genesis 1 and what Christians believe about God and Creation -Recognise that the story of 'the Fall' in Genesis 3 gives an explanation of why things go wrong in the world	-Identify what type of text some Christians say Genesis 1 is, and its purpose -Taking account of the context, suggest what Genesis 1 might mean, and compare their ideas with ways in which Christians interpret it, showing awareness of different interpretations
	Say how and when Christians like to thank their Creator	Give at least one example of what Christians do to say 'thank you' to God for Creation	-Describe what Christians do because they believe God is Creator (e.g. follow God, wonder at how amazing God's creation is; care for the Earth – some specific ways) -Describe how and why Christians might pray to God, say sorry and ask for forgiveness -	-Make clear connections between Genesis 1 and Christian belief about God as Creator -Show understanding of why many Christians find science and faith go together
	Talk about things they find interesting, puzzling or wonderful and also about their own experiences and feelings about the world	-Think, talk and ask questions about living in an amazing world -Give a reason for the ideas they have and the connections they make between the Christian/ Jewish Creation story and the world they live in	-Ask questions and suggest answers about what might be important in the Creation story for Christians and for non-Christians living today.	-Identify key ideas arising from their study of Genesis 1 and comment on how far these are helpful or inspiring, justifying their responses - Weigh up how far the Genesis 1 creation narrative is in conflict, or is complementary, with a scientific account, giving good reasons for their views.

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Incarnation	EYFS (F2 Incarnation)	Year 1 & 2 (1.3 Incarnation)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.3 Incarnation/God)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.3 Incarnation)
	Begin to recognise the word 'incarnation' as describing the belief that God came to Earth as Jesus. Retell religious stories, making connections with personal experiences	Give a clear, simple account of the story of Jesus' birth and why Jesus is important for Christians -Recognise that stories of Jesus' life come from the Gospels	Recognise what a 'Gospel' is and give an example of the kinds of stories it contains - Offer suggestions about what texts about baptism and Trinity mean -Give examples of what these texts mean to some Christians today	Explain the place of Incarnation and Messiah within the 'big story' of the Bible. Identify Gospel and prophecy texts, using technical terms. Explain connections between biblical texts, Incarnation and Messiah, using theological terms
	Recall simply what happens at a traditional Christian festival (Christmas)	Give examples of ways in which Christians use the story of the Nativity to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas	Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship in different ways (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live	Show how Christians put their beliefs about Jesus' Incarnation into practice in different ways in celebrating Christmas -Comment on how the idea that Jesus is the Messiah makes sense in the wider story of the Bible
	Talk about people who are special to them. Say what makes their family and friends special to them	Decide what they personally have to be thankful for, giving a reason for their ideas. Think, talk and ask questions about Christmas for people who are Christians and for people who are not.	Make links between some Bible texts studied and the idea of God in Christianity, expressing clearly some ideas of their own about what Christians believe God is like.	Weigh up how far the idea of Jesus as the 'Messiah' — a Saviour from God — is important in the world today and, if it is true, what difference that might make in people's lives, giving good reasons for their answers.

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Salvation	EYFS (F3 Salvation)	Year 1 & 2 (1.5 Salvation)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.5 Salvation)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.7 Salvation)
	Recognise and retell stories connected with celebration of Easter. Say why Easter is a special time for Christians	Recognise that Incarnation and Salvation are part of a 'big story' of the Bible. Tell stories of Holy Week and Easter from the Bible and recognise a link with the idea of Salvation (Jesus rescuing people).	Recognise the word 'Salvation', and that Christians believe Jesus came to 'save' or 'rescue' people, e.g. by showing them how to live. Offer informed suggestions about what the events of Holy Week mean to Christians. Give examples of what Christians say about the importance of the events of Holy Week.	Outline the timeline of the 'big story' of the Bible, explaining how Incarnation and Salvation fit within it Explain what Christians mean when they say that Jesus' death was a sacrifice, using theological terms. Suggest meanings for narratives of Jesus' death/resurrection, comparing their ideas with ways in which Christians interpret these texts.
	Recognise some symbols Christians use during Holy Week, e.g. palm leaves, cross, eggs, etc., and make connections with signs of new life in nature. Talk about some ways Christians remember these stories at Easter.	Give at least three examples of how Christians show their beliefs about Jesus' death and resurrection in church worship at Easter.	Make simple links between the Gospel accounts and how Christians mark the Easter events in their communities. Describe how Christians show their beliefs about Jesus in worship in different ways.	Make clear connections between the Christian belief in Jesus' death as a sacrifice and how Christians celebrate Holy Communion/Lord's Supper. Show how Christians put their beliefs into practice in different ways.
	Talk about ideas of new life in nature.	Give at least three examples of how Christians show their beliefs about Jesus' death and resurrection in church worship at Easter	Raise thoughtful questions and suggest some answers about why Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday', giving good reasons for their suggestions.	Weigh up the value and impact of ideas of sacrifice in their own lives and the world today. Articulate their own responses to the idea of sacrifice, recognising different points of view.

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Gospel	Year 1 & 2 (1.4 Gospel)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.4 Gospel)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.4 Gospel)
	Tell stories from the Bible and recognise a link with the concept of 'Gospel' or good news. Give clear, simple accounts of what Bible texts (such as the story of Matthew the tax collector) mean to Christians. Recognise that Jesus gives instructions to people about how to behave.	Identify this as part of a 'Gospel', which tells the story of the life and teaching of Jesus. Make clear links between the calling of the first disciples and how Christians today try to follow Jesus and be 'fishers of people.' Suggest ideas and then find out about what Jesus' actions towards outcasts mean for a Christian.	Identify features of Gospel texts (for example, teachings, parable, and narrative). Taking account of the context, suggest meanings of Gospel texts studied, and compare their own ideas with ways in which Christians interpret biblical texts.
	Give at least two examples of ways in which Christians follow the teachings studied about forgiveness and peace, and bringing good news to the friendless. Give at least two examples of how Christians put these beliefs into practice in the Church community and their own lives (for example: charity and confession).	Give examples of how Christians try to show love for all, including how Christian leaders try to follow Jesus' teaching in different ways.	Make clear connections between Gospel texts, Jesus' 'good news', and how Christians live in the Christian community and in their individual lives.
	Think, talk and ask questions about whether Jesus' 'good news' is only good news for Christians, or if there are things for anyone to learn about how to live, giving a good reason for their ideas.	Make links between the importance of love in the Bible stories studied and life in the world today, giving a good reason for their ideas.	Make connections between Christian teachings (e.g. about peace, forgiveness, healing) and the issues, problems and opportunities in the world today, including their own lives. Articulate their own responses to the issues studied, recognising different points of view.

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Kingdom of God	Year 3 & 4 (L2.2 People of God)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.6 Kingdom of God)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.3 People of God)
	Make clear links between the story of Noah and the idea of covenant.	Make clear links between the story of Pentecost and Christian beliefs about the 'kingdom of God' on Earth - Offer informed suggestions about what the events of Pentecost in Acts 2 might mean. Give examples of what Pentecost means to some Christians now.	Explain connections between the story of Moses and the concepts of freedom and salvation, using theological terms.
	Make simple links between promises in the story of Noah and promises that Christians make at a wedding ceremony.	Make simple links between the description of Pentecost in Acts 2, the Holy Spirit, the kingdom of God, and how Christians live now. Describe how Christians show their beliefs about the Holy Spirit in worship.	Make clear connections between Bible texts studied and what Christians believe about being the People of God and how they should behave. Explain ways in which some Christians put their beliefs into practice by trying to bring freedom to others.
	Make links between the story of Noah and how we live in school and the wider world.	Make links between ideas about the kingdom of God in the Bible and what people believe about following God today, giving good reasons for their ideas.	Identify ideas about freedom and justice arising from their study of Bible texts and comment on how far these are helpful or inspiring, justifying their responses.

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RE Hinduism Progression Map

Hinduism	Year 3 & 4 (2.7 Hindu God)	Year 3 & 4 (2.8 Hindu in Britain) Year	Year 5 & 6 (U2.7 Why Be Good?)
	Identify some Hindu deities and say how they help Hindus describe God. Make clear links between some stories (e.g. Svetaketu, Ganesh, and Diwali) and what Hindus believe about God. Offer informed suggestions about what Hindu murtis express about God.	Identify the terms 'dharma', 'Sanatan Dharma' and 'Hinduism' and say what they mean. Make links between Hindu practices and the idea that Hinduism is a whole 'way of life' (dharma).	Identify and explain Hindu beliefs, e.g. dharma, karma, samsara, moksha, using technical terms accurately. Give meanings for the story of the man in the well and explain how it relates to Hindu beliefs about samsara, moksha, etc.
	Make simple links between beliefs about God and how Hindus live (e.g. choosing a deity and worshiping at a home shrine; celebrating Diwali). Identify some different ways in which Hindus worship.	Describe how Hindus show their faith within their families in Britain today (e.g. home puja). Describe how Hindus show their faith within their faith communities in Britain today (e.g. arti and bhajans at the mandir; in festivals such as Diwali). Identify some different ways in which Hindus show their faith (e.g. between different communities in Britain, or between Britain and parts of India).	Make clear connections between Hindu beliefs about dharma, karma, samsara and moksha and ways in which Hindus live. Connect the four Hindu aims of life and the four stages of life with beliefs about dharma, karma, moksha, etc. Give evidence and examples to show how Hindus put their beliefs into practice in different ways.
	Raise questions and suggest answers about whether it is good to think about the cycle of create/preserve/ destroy in the world today. Make links between the Hindu idea of everyone having a 'spark' of God in them and ideas about the value of people in the world today, giving good reasons for their ideas.	Raise questions and suggest answers about what is good about being a Hindu in Britain today, and whether taking part in family and community rituals is a good thing for individuals and society, giving good reasons for their ideas.	Make connections between Hindu beliefs studied (e.g. karma and dharma), and explain how and why they are important to Hindus Reflect on and articulate what impact belief in karma and dharma might have on individuals and the world, recognising different points of view.

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Islam	Year 1 & 2 (1.6 Who Are Muslims?)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.9 Festivals and Worship)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.8 Muslims in Britain)
	-Recognise the words of the Shahadah and that it is very important for Muslims - Identify some of the key Muslim beliefs about God found in the Shahadah and the 99 names, and give a simple description of what some of them mean - Give examples of how stories about the Prophet (pbuh) show what Muslims believe about Muhammad (pbuh)	-Identify some beliefs about God in Islam, expressed in Surah 1 -Make clear links between beliefs about God and ibadah (e.g. how God is worth worshiping; how Muslims submit to God)	-Identify and explain Muslim beliefs about God, the Prophet* and the Holy Qur'an (e.g. Tawhid; Muhammad as the Messenger, Qur'an as the message) -Describe ways in which Muslim sources of authority guide Muslim living (e.g. Qur'an guidance on Five Pillars; Hajj practices follow example of the prophet.
	- Give examples of how Muslims use the Shahadah to show what matters to them -Give examples of how Muslims use stories about the Prophet to guide their beliefs and actions (e.g. care for creation, fast in Ramadan) -Give examples of how Muslims put their beliefs about prayer into action.	- Give examples of ibadah (worship) in Islam (e.g. prayer, fasting, celebrating) and describe what they involve. - Make links between Muslim beliefs about God and a range of ways in which Muslims worship (e.g. in prayer and fasting, as a family and as a community, at home and in the mosque).	- Make clear connections between Muslim beliefs and ibadah (e.g. Five Pillars, festivals, mosques, art). - Give evidence and examples to show how Muslims put their beliefs into practice in different ways.
	- Think, talk and ask questions about Muslim beliefs and ways of living. - Talk about what they think is good for Muslims about prayer, respect, celebration and self-control, giving a good reason for their ideas. - Give a good reason for their ideas about whether prayer, respect, celebration and self-control have something to say to them too.	- Raise questions and suggest answers about the value of submission and self-control to Muslims, and whether there are benefits for people who are not Muslims. - Make links between the Muslim idea of living in harmony with the Creator and the need for all people to live in harmony with each other in the world today, giving good reasons for their ideas.	- Make connections between Muslim beliefs studied and Muslim ways of living in Britain/ Bury today- Consider and weigh up the value of e.g. submission, obedience, generosity, self-control and worship in the lives of Muslims today and articulate responses on how far they are valuable to people who are not Muslims. - Reflect on and articulate what it is like to be a Muslim in Britain today, giving good reasons for their views.

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RE Judaism Progression Map

	Year 1 & 2 (1.7 Who is Jewish)	Year 3 & 4 (2.10 Festivals & Family)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.9 Festivals and Worship)
Judaism	Recognise the words of the Shema as a Jewish prayer. Re-tell simply some stories used in Jewish celebrations (e.g. Chanukah.) Give examples of how the stories used in celebrations (e.g. Shabbat, Chanukah) remind Jews about what God is like.	Identify some Jewish beliefs about God, sin and forgiveness and describe what they mean. Make clear links between the story of the Exodus and Jewish beliefs about God and his relationship with the Jewish people. Offer informed suggestions about the meaning of the Exodus story for Jews today.	Identify and explain Jewish beliefs about God. Give examples of some texts that say what God is like and explain how Jewish people interpret them.
	Give examples of how Jewish people celebrate special times (e.g. Shabbat, Sukkot, Chanukah). Make links between Jewish ideas of God found in the stories and how people live. Give an example of how some Jewish people might remember God in different ways (e.g. mezuzah, on Shabbat).	Make simple links between Jewish beliefs about God and his people and how Jews live (e.g. through celebrating forgiveness, salvation and freedom at festivals). Describe how Jews show their beliefs through worship in festivals, both at home and in wider communities.	Make clear connections between Jewish beliefs about the Torah and how they use and treat it. Make clear connections between Jewish commandments and how Jews live (e.g. in relation to kosher laws). Give evidence and examples to show how Jewish people put their beliefs into practice in different ways (e.g. some differences between Orthodox and Progressive Jewish practice).
	Talk about what they think is good about reflecting, thanking, praising and remembering for Jewish people, giving a good reason for their ideas. Give a good reason for their ideas about whether reflecting, thanking, praising and remembering have something to say to them too.	Raise questions and suggest answers about whether it is good for Jews and everyone else to remember the past and look forward to the future. Make links with the value of personal reflection, saying 'sorry', being forgiven, being grateful, seeking freedom and justice in the world today, including pupils' own lives, and giving good reasons for their ideas.	Make connections between Jewish beliefs studied and explain how and why they are important to Jewish people today. Consider and weigh up the value of e.g. tradition, ritual, community, study and worship in the lives of Jews today and articulate responses on how far they are valuable to people who are not Jewish.

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Thematic Units	EYFS (F.4 Being Special: Where do we belong?) (F.5 What Places are special and why?)	Year 1 & 2 (1.10 What does it mean to belong to a faith community?) (1.8 What makes some places sacred to believers?)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.12 How and why do people mark the significant events in life?)	Year 5 & 6 U2.12 (How does faith help people when life gets hard?)
	Retell religious stories making connections with personal experiences Share and record occasions when things have happened in their lives that made them feel special Begin to recognise that for Christians, Muslims or Jews, these special things link to beliefs about God	Recognise that loving others is important in lots of communities Say simply what Jesus and one other religious leader taught about loving other people Recognise that there are special places where people go to worship, and talk about what people do there Identify at least three objects used in worship in two religions and give a simple account of how they are used and something about what they mean Identify a belief about worship and a belief about God, connecting these beliefs simply to a place of worship	Identify some beliefs about love, commitment and promises in two religious traditions and describe what they mean Offer informed suggestions about the meaning and importance of ceremonies of commitment for religious and nonreligious people today.	Identify and explain Muslim beliefs about God, the Prophet* and the Holy Qur'an (e.g. Tawhid; Muhammad as the Messenger, Qur'an as the message) Describe ways in which Muslim sources of authority guide Muslim living (e.g. Qur'an guidance on Five Pillars; Hajj practices follow example of the Prophet)
	Recall simply what happens at a traditional Christian infant baptism and dedication Recall simply what happens when a baby is welcomed into a religion other than Christianity	Give an account of what happens at a traditional Christian and Jewish or Muslim welcome ceremony, and suggest what the actions and symbols mean Identify at least two ways people show they love each other and belong to each other when they get married (Christian and/or Jewish and	Describe what happens in ceremonies of commitment (e.g. baptism, sacred thread, marriage) and say what these rituals mean Make simple links between beliefs about love and commitment and how people in at least two religious	Make clear connections between Muslim beliefs and ibadah (e.g. Five Pillars, festivals, mosques, art) Give evidence and examples to show how Muslims put their beliefs into practice in different ways

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	Recognise that some religious people have places which have special meaning for them Talk about the things that are special and valued in a place of worship	non-religious) Give examples of stories, objects, symbols and actions used in churches, mosques and/or synagogues which show what people believe Give simple examples of how people worship at a church, mosque or synagogue Talk about why some people like to belong to a sacred building or a community.	traditions live (e.g. through celebrating forgiveness, salvation and freedom at festivals) Identify some differences in how people celebrate commitment (e.g. different practices of marriage, or Christian baptism)	
	Retell religious stories making connections with personal experiences Share and record occasions when things have happened in their lives that made them feel special Talk about somewhere that is special to themselves, saying why Get to know and use appropriate words to talk about their thoughts	Give examples of ways in which people express their identity and belonging within faith communities and other communities, responding sensitively to differences Talk about what they think is good about being in a community, for people in faith communities and for themselves, giving a good reason for their ideas. Think, talk and ask good questions about what happens in a church, synagogue or mosque, saying what they think about these questions, giving good reasons for their ideas • Talk about what makes some places special to people, and what the difference is between religious and non-religious special places.	Raise questions and suggest answers about whether it is good for everyone to see life as journey, and to mark the milestones. Make links between ideas of love, commitment and promises in religious and non-religious ceremonies Give good reasons why they think ceremonies of commitment are or are not valuable today.	Make connections between Muslim beliefs studied and Muslim ways of living in Britain/ Bury today Consider and weigh up the value of e.g. submission, obedience, generosity, self-control and worship in the lives of Muslims today and articulate responses on how far they are valuable to people who are not Muslims Reflect on and articulate what it is like to be a Muslim in Britain today, giving good reasons for their views.

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Thematic Units	EYFS (F6 What times/stories are special and why?)	Year 1 & 2 (1.9 How should we care for the world and for others, and why does it matter?)	Year 3 & 4 (L2.12 How and why do people try to make the world a better place?)	Year 5 & 6 (U2.10 What matters most to Humanists and Christians?)
	Talk about some religious stories Recognise some religious words, e.g. about God Identify a sacred text e.g. Bible, Torah	Identify a story or text that says something about each person being unique and valuable Give an example of a key belief some people find in one of these stories (e.g. that God loves all people) Give a clear, simple account of what Genesis 1 tells Christians and Jews about the natural world	Identify some beliefs about why the world is not always a good place (e.g. Christian ideas of sin) Make links between religious beliefs and teachings and why people try to live.	Explain connections between biblical texts and the concept of the kingdom of God Consider different possible meanings for the biblical texts studied, showing awareness of different interpretations.
	Talk about some of the things these stories teach believers (for example, what Jesus teaches about being friends with the friendless in the story of Zacchaeus; what Jesus' story about the ten lepers teaches about saying 'thank you', and why it is good to thank and be thanked; what the Chanukah story teaches Jews about standing up for what is right), etc.	Give an example of how people show that they care for others (e.g. by giving to charity), making a link to one of the stories Give examples of how Christians and Jews can show care for the natural Earth Say why Christians and Jews might look after the natural world	Make simple links between teachings about how to live and ways in which people try to make the world a better place (e.g. tikkun olam and the charity Tzedek) Describe some examples of how people try to live (e.g. individuals and organisations) Identify some differences in how people put their beliefs into action	Make clear connections between belief in the kingdom of God and how Christians put their beliefs into practice Show how Christians put their beliefs into practice in different ways.
	Identify some of their own feelings in the stories they hear	Think, talk and ask questions about what difference believing in God makes to how people treat each other and the natural world Give good reasons why everyone (religious and non-religious)	Raise questions and suggest answers about why the world is not always a good place, and what are the best ways of making it better Make links between some commands for living from religious	Relate the Christian 'kingdom of God' model (i.e. loving others, serving the needy) to issues, problems and opportunities in the world today

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		should care for others and look after the natural world.	traditions, non-religious worldviews and pupils' own ideas Express their own ideas about the best ways to make the world a better place, making links with religious ideas studied, giving good reasons for their views.	Articulate their own responses to the idea of the importance of love and service in the world today.
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