

Religious Education – Vocabulary Progression Map

Below are the vocabulary lists for Religious Education. These give an indication of the words that we want children to become familiar with during each key stage. They are not intended as a test list but show the kind of language staff will use and explain in lessons to broaden pupils' Religious Education vocabulary and understanding.

Subject	Christianity	Judaism	Islam	Hinduism	Sikhism	Buddism	Humanism
EYFS	Bible, God, Jesus, Christian, church, awesome, precious, treasure, creation/ creator , design, responsible, caretaker, special / holy, wonder/ wonderful, nativity, invisible, treasure, celebrate, , Christmas Believe, followers, help, rescue / save, pray / prayer, cathedral Lent, parable, hero, rescue / save, Easter, bridge, cross hosanna (save us), forgive precious, unique						
KS1	Jesus, God, Baptism, christening, parable, worship, prayer, Emmanuel, Holy Spirit, Pentecost, Saviour, resurrection, disciple, faith	Mitzvot, Tzedakah, Tefillah, Teshuvah, repentance, Torah, rabbi, Shabbat	Muslim, Allah, mercy, compassion, mercy, Muhammad				
LKS2	Bible, God, Jesus, reconciliation, sacrifice, commitment, kingdom of God, mission, body of Christ, stewardship, conversion, Holy spirit, saviour,	Covenant, Exodus, Noah, Abraham, Pesach (Passover), Shabbat	Submission, obedience, Muhammed 'seal of the prophets', prayer, prophet, messenger.	Karma, Rama and Sita, dharma, commitment, selfless kindness.	Gurus, equality, dark/light, Guru Nanak, Guru Sahib, Ik Onkar, the mool mantra, gudwara, equality.		
UKS2	Gospel, good news, incarnate, Eucharist, resurrection, afterlife, faith, wisdom, pilgrim, trinity	Holiness, Torah, Moses, Shavuot, covenant	Revelation, guidance, respect, Qur'an, Allah, tawhid, belonging, community, oneness of Allah, 5 pillars of Islam, identity.	Moksha, scriptures, Brahman, atman, 4 yogas, devotion, deities.		Enlightenment, refuge, Buddha, the four Noble Truths, suffering, Eightfold path, journey, refuge.	Happiness, reason, respect, scientific principals, ceremony, celebration.