



Year 2

Special People


Links to religions




Christianity




Islam



Judaism







Hinduism



Foundation

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Key Vocabulary

Christianity	The religion based on the person and teachings of Jesus Christ, or its beliefs and practices.	Jesus	Christians believe he is the Son of God
Judaism	Judaism is the religion and the way of life of the Jewish people.	Moses	Moses is a central figure in Judaism. He was the prophet who led the Hebrew slaves out of Egypt.
Hinduism	Hinduism can be defined as a collection of the religion, culture, and philosophy of ancient India	Abraham	In Christianity, Abraham is considered to be the father of all who believe in God.
Leader	someone who is in charge of a group or place	Follower	someone who does things that other people tell them to do or what others do first
Muslims	A follower of the religion of Islam	Allah	Allah is the name Muslims use for their God.



WHAT?

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A leader is someone who is in charge of a group or place. A teacher is someone who helps others learn. A follower is someone who does things that other people tell them to do or what others do first. Good leaders have certain qualities. These might include being kind, brave or caring

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Abraham is important to both Jewish people and Christians. They believe that God made a covenant with Abraham. God told Abraham to leave where he lived and travel to a land that God would show him. God said he would make Abraham’s family into a great nation and he would have as many family members as there were stars in the sky. Even though he was old and didn’t have any children yet, Abraham believed God and left his homeland. Abraham was on his journey to find the land that God had promised him, God changed his name from Abram to Abraham, which means father of many. Abraham trusted God and did what God had told him to do. He eventually had many children.

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Moses was born while the Jewish people were in enslavement in Egypt. To keep baby Moses safe, his mum placed him in a basket and put him in the river. Moses was discovered by a Princess who took Moses to live with her. When Moses was older, he ran away from Egypt because he got into trouble. When Moses was looking after the sheep, he saw a bush on fire. Moses noticed that strangely, the bush didn’t seem to be burning up. Moses walked towards the bush, he heard the voice “I am the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. I have seen how much the enslaved people in Egypt are suffering. Moses, you must go to Egypt and tell Pharaoh to let them go.” Moses returned to Egypt as God had commanded. Eventually, the Jewish people left Egypt and started their journey to a place they could live. During this journey, Moses was their leader. He continued to hear from God and he wrote rules for the Jewish people, the Ten Commandments.

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The Bible says that Jesus was born in a stable in a place called Bethlehem. It says that angels announced Jesus’ birth to shepherds who came to worship him. A special star led wise men to where Jesus was. They knew he was a special baby and brought him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Christians believe that these things happen because Jesus is the Son of God. Christians believe that when Jesus grew up, he did special things called miracles. Miracles are events that don’t follow the rules of nature and are believed to happen through the power of God. Christians believe that Jesus was kind and said important things. The Bible says that Jesus died on a cross and that three days later, he came back to life. Christians says this shows that Jesus was brave and powerful.

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Rama and Sita is one of the main stories from Hinduism. This story is connected with Diwali (the festival of light). It is about Rama rescuing Sita from a demon King Ravana with the help of Hanuman and his monkey army. The Rama and Sita story is so important because it teaches us about how good is more important than evil. Dashratha, King of Ayodhya, has four sons by three different wives: Rama, Lakshman and Satrugna and Bharat. Rama has married Sita and Dashratha wishes to pass the throne to his eldest son. But the mother of Dashratha’s youngest son, Barat, is jealous and wants her child to be king. She forces Dashratha to exile Rama, Sita and Lakshman to the forest for 14 years. In the forest the evil demon Ravana seizes Sita and takes her to his island home of Lanka. Rama follows a trail of Sita’s jewellery and then meets Hanuman, the monkey-king. Hanuman uses his magic power of flight to discover where Sita is. Rama kills Ravana with a magic arrow and then, their exile over, he returns to Ayodhya with Sita and Lakshman. The people light their way home with little lamps left outside their homes.

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Muslims believe that the world God created is a good and beautiful world for us to live in. Allah has 99 names. Allah (Glory be to Him) is only One God. There is no God but Allah (Glory be to him). He does not look like anyone and there is nothing that looks like Allah (Glory be to Him). He created everything and He does not look like any of the creatures He created. Allah (Glory be to Him) is unique. Allah is their one true God, he is above the sky, he is the creator of the whole universe, the most loving and he does not eat or sleep. Allah is important to Muslim people because they believe he created the universe and everything in it.