

RE

What do people believe about God?

Year 3

Summer 1

Key Knowledge

Different people have different beliefs about God

Most Christians believe in one God. They believe that their God has many roles:

- The creator
- The trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit
- A communicator

Many Christians want to talk to their God and they will do this through prayer and worship.

The first main belief of Islam is Shahadah – the belief that there is no God but Allah. Muslims believe that Allah has 99 names which each explain something different about Allah and are represented by 99 Subha beads. Muslims believe that Allah is the creator and they believe that Allah’s kindness can be seen in all of nature. They also believe that Allah spoke to Prophet Muhammad in series of revelations. These revelations have formed the Qur’an.

Many people in the UK (37.2%) say that they have no religion. Some people are Humanists, others are Atheists or Agnostic. Some others don’t consider themselves part of a group at all.

Humanists believe in humanity rather than in a God or Gods. Their way of life involves having a set of codes and values to live their lives by and being ‘good without God’.

Key images



Enfield SACRE Statutory requirements

- A1 - Describe and make connections between different features of the religious and non-religious worldviews they study, discovering more about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and the rituals which mark important points in life, in order to reflect on their significance.
- B1 - Observe and understand varied examples of religious and non-religious worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities
- B2 - Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their own lives.
- C1 - Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others’ views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their own in different forms including (e.g.) reasoning, music, art and poetry.

Prior learning

- Through EYFS and KS1, children will have learnt about different religions and the main beliefs within them. They will also have some awareness of Gods and how some people worship their God(s).

Key vocabulary

Spelling	Definition
Trust	A belief in the truth of someone or something
Faith	Trusting someone or something
Prayer	Communication with a God
Worship	To act in a way that shows great respect and/or love for someone.
Shahadah	The Islamic declaration of faith in one God (Allah) and His messenger
Subha/Tasbih	A string of beads that represent the 99 names of Allah
Revelation	A message to humans from a God
Humanist	A person who believes in humanity, but not in a God or Gods.
Atheist	a person who believes there is no God.
Agnostic	A person who doesn't believe it's possible to know for sure that a God exists

Possible deeper thinking questions

Who gives you the best advice?

Is it important for people to believe in a God?

If there is no God, who created everything?

Possible experiences

Create a class set of rules/code/guidance to live life by

Children could create their own God