



Light

RE Y1: Christianity and Judaism

Key Questions

- Why is Christmas important to Christians?
- Why is light important to Christians?
- Why do Jewish children celebrate Hanukkah?
- Why is light important?
- What role does it have for different religions?

Key Vocabulary

- Bible** is a Christian book about God and Jesus
- Christmas** is a Christian celebration of the birth of Jesus
- Hanukkah** is the Jewish festival of light
- menorah** is the candle used to symbolise Hanukkah

Links to prior learning:
Religious Celebrations (YR)

Links to other subjects:
Science - Light (Y1)
Further RE learning throughout the school



Christians celebrate in a church

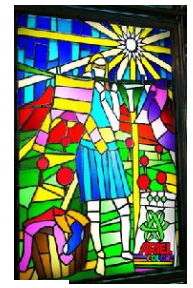
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Jewish people celebrate in a synagogue.



Key learning

Christians believe the stories in the bible are true. In churches you see stained glass windows. The coloured pictures tell stories from the bible. The rays of light from the sun light up the stories. Christian children make **Christingle** at Christmas. This starts the learning of the Christmas Story.



Christingle

- CANDLE**
Jesus - he shows us what God is like
- ORANGE**
the world
- 4 COCKTAIL STICKS**
4 corners of the world
- RED TAPE**
God's love for the world
- SWEETS**
the good gifts God gives us



Hanukkah is the Jewish festival of light. Hanukkah celebrates one of the greatest miracles in Jewish history. A **Hanukkah** is lit by Jewish people. One candle is lit for each day of the festival on a candle called a **Menorah**. Games are played and special food is made to celebrate this occasion.



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menorah