



LGPS RE Progression of Skills & Knowledge Overview 2025/2026

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Substantive Knowledge

EYFS- Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know that beliefs are things people think are true.
- To know that some people have different beliefs about God.
- To know that there are groups of people who have similar beliefs.

Practices

- To know how and why some people celebrate special times.

Wisdom and morality

- To know that stories can help us to learn how to behave.
- To know that speaking to others can help us to learn.

Community and belonging

- To know that some places are special to different people for different reasons.
- To know that there are people in the community who help others to explore their beliefs and guide them.
- To know that being part of a community is important to many people.

Year 1 - Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know that to believe is when we accept something is true, especially when we do so without proof.
- To know that some people believe God exists as a powerful, non-human being.
- To know that in some religions, followers believe in one supreme being or God who is loving.
- To know that people have different ways of understanding God on earth (incarnation).
- To know that some people believe that humans have a special relationship with God.
- To know that there are different names for God.
- To know that there are different ways to refer to and represent God.
- To know that people have different ideas about the role of God.

Practices

Worldview-related knowledge To know that some people who follow the Jewish worldview:

- Believe in one existence of one God.
- Believe that God made humans stewards over nature.
- Understand the Torah to contain the 'word of God'
- Believe that the Genesis creation story explains how the Earth and humans were created.
- Read the Torah to help them to understand God and for advice to help them live a good life.

To know that some people who follow the Christian worldview:

- Believe in the existence of one God.
- Believe that Jesus is the son of God and that God is present on Earth.
- Believe that God made humans stewards over nature.

- To know that some religious people use art, objects and special times to represent and remember incarnation of God (of the presence of God on Earth).
- To know that many people have special ceremonies when babies are born.
- To know that many people give money, time or donations to charity as a way of showing that caring for others is important.

Wisdom and morality

- To know that some spoken and written words are important to people.
- To know that creation stories provide people with possible answers as to why we are here.
- To know that science provides some people with possible answers as to why we are here.
- To know that followers often read religious stories.
- To know that some religious and non religious stories may guide people to care for animals and the planet.
- To know that religious teachings often encourage gratitude for what god created (eg. others and the planet) and a responsibility to look after it.
- To know that some stories may guide people to care for others.
- To know that the way people treat animals and nature reflects their worldview.

Community and belonging

- To know that religious (and non-religious) groups often provide support and care to their local and worldwide communities.
- To know that people with similar worldviews often work together to care for the world and for others.
- To know that some religious and non-religious people carry out ceremonies when babies are born to welcome them into their community.
- To know that baby welcoming ceremonies often include symbols and actions to show the baby's relationship with god.

- Celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas by attending church services, giving gifts and retelling the nativity of Jesus.
- Believe that the Genesis creation story explains how the Earth and humans were created.
- Read stories from the Christian Bible to help them understand God and for advice about how to live a good life.
- Understand the Christian Bible to be the 'word of God'.

To know that some people who follow the Muslim worldview:

- Believe in the existence of one God.
- Believe that God made humans stewards over nature.
- Believe that God is the creator of all things.
- Give to charity (zakat) as a way of expressing their beliefs.
- Perform adhan and 'aqiqah when a baby is born.
- Use 99 names to describe Allah (God).
- Understand the Qur'an to be the 'word of God'.
- Read the Qur'an and stories about the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) to help them understand God and for advice on how to life a good life.
- Give to charity as one of the five pillars.
- Share food and money with their community as part of 'aqiqah when a new baby is born.
- Give to charity as the third pillar of Islam to support others in the Muslim community.

To know that some people who follow the Hindu worldview:

- Believe in the existence of one God.
- Believe God created the world and everything in it and this is part of a cycle of many universes that will be created.
- Believe that God has many forms which help them understand and engage with God.
- Believe that God is in all living things.
- Perform jatakama when a new baby is born.
- Use murti (forms) to represent the some of the different forms of God.
- Follow the principle of ahimsa (harmlessness) as a way of life
- Read many sacred texts including the Rig Veda which contains one of many creation stories to help them understand God.
- Carry out Jatakarma (baby welcoming) and Upanayana (sacred thread) ceremonies.

To know that some people who follow the Humanist worldview:

- Have a naming ceremony when a new baby is born.
- Invite family and friends to a naming ceremony to celebrate the baby belonging to their community.

To know that some people who follow the Jain worldview:

- Believe all living things to contain souls and should therefore be valued and respected.
- Follow ahimsa (harmlessness) as their main principle.

Year 2- Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know that some people believe god performed miracles in the past.
- To know that some people believe there are people who are chosen for a special purpose by God.
- To know that a prophet is someone who talks about God's plan or will.
- To know that some people believe that God has made a promise between himself and his people.
- To know that prayer means communicating with God.

Practices

- To know there are some festivals which are celebrated by religious and non-religious people.
- To know festivals usually celebrate a special or miraculous event from the past.
- To know worship means to honour and adore.
- To know there are some objects that are special to followers of religious traditions.
- To know that one reason religious followers worship is to show gratitude, say 'thank you', to God.
- To know that a festival is celebrated by many people and happens regularly.
- To know that people pray in different ways in different places.
- To know that objects, words and actions can represent an idea of belief.
- To know that when some people talk to god they might use their body to show respect.
- To know that some people talk to god in different ways and for different reasons.

Wisdom and morality

- To know that books and stories can have different meaning to different people.
- To know that religious stories can help us to understand religious beliefs.
- To know that stories from long ago can be applied to modern life.

Worldview-related knowledge To know that some people who follow the Jewish worldview:

- Believe the stories of Abraham, Noah and Moses show God's promises.
- Believe Jesus was a Jewish leader and teacher.
- Use tefillin to help remind them of God's word.
- Believe God communicated with humans through the Torah.
- Visit a synagogue to worship and pray with members of their community.

To know that some people who follow the Christian worldview:

- Believe God to be good and generous in providing for humans.
- Believe Jesus' birth to be one of God's miracles.
- Believe that aspects of the nativity story show that Jesus was special.
- Believe that many prophets told of Jesus' birth before it happened.
- Believe Noah, Moses and Jonah were prophets (of many others).
- Celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas by attending church services, giving gifts and retelling the nativity of Jesus.
- Celebrate Harvest as a special time to thank God for providing food, often donating food to others at this time.
- Believe that God communicated his will through many prophets and that these messages can be applied to their lives today.
- Use offerings given at Harvest to help others in their local community.
- Visit a church to worship and pray with members of their community.

To know that some people who follow the Muslim worldview:

- Believe that they can communicate with God through prayer.
- Believe there were other prophets, including Jesus, Abraham, Moses and Noah.
- Believe Muhammad was specially chosen and the last prophet.
- Carry out Wudu before prayer
- Use special positions and actions during prayer called rakat.
- Visit the mosque and find some of the features help them to pray.
- Say 'peace be upon him' (pbuh) when talking about Muhammad and other prophets to show respect.

- To know that wisdom means knowledge that comes from experience.
- To know that guidance means advice, information or rules given by someone in authority.
- To know that values are what people see as important in life.
- To know that prophets and gurus are considered to share God's wisdom and guidance have had it revealed to them by God.
- To know that religions have forms of guidance or rules (commandments) and believers will follow these in different ways.

Community and belonging

- To know that many festivals are often celebrated as a community.
- To know that some people find praying or worshipping as part of a community helpful.
- To know that members of the same community may have similar or different ways of life.
- To know that many religious groups have special buildings which may have features linked to beliefs and practices.
- To know that offerings used to express gratitude may be used to help a person's local or national community.
- To know that within a community people have different values, ideas and beliefs.

- Do not use images of God or Muhammad (pbuh) as a sign of respect.
- Visit the mosque to worship and pray with members of their community.

To know that some people who follow the Hindu worldview:

- Believe that they can communicate with God through prayer.
- Often worship individually.
- Worship through puja in their home or in a mandir, with rituals including a bell, lighting incense, prayers, offerings to murtus and lamp lighting.
- Visit a mandir and find that some of the features help them to pray.
- Believe in harmlessness (ahimsa).
- Visit the mandir to worship and pray with members of their community.

To know that some people who follow the Sikh worldview:

- Believe there is a God and Guru Nanak revealed the truth about God.
- Believe Gurus to be inspired by God and some may have been specially chosen at birth.
- Visit a gurdwara and some of the features help them to pray.

To know that some people who follow the Alevi worldview:

- Believe that they can communicate with God through prayer.
- Visit a cemevi and find some of the features help them to pray.

National curriculum - end of KS1

Recall and name different beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life, in order to find out about the meanings behind them.

Retell and suggest meanings to some religious and moral stories, exploring and discussing sacred writings and sources of wisdom and recognising the traditions from which they come.

Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities.

Ask and respond to questions about what individuals and communities do, and why, so that pupils can identify what difference belonging to a community might make

Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves.

Notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and worldviews.

Explore questions about belonging, meaning and truth so that they can express their own ideas and opinions in response using words, music, art or poetry.

Find out about and respond with ideas to examples of co-operation between people who are different.

Find out about questions of right and wrong and begin to express their ideas and opinions in response.

Year 3- Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know that soul means a person's spiritual and emotional sense of identity.

Worldview-related knowledge To know that some people who follow the Hindu worldview:

- To know that some people believe all living things have a soul and that it is immortal.
- To know that spirituality is connection with inner self, immaterial things and belief of something beyond oneself.
- To know that some people believe spirituality and soul to be unique to humans.
- To know that some people believe connection with a god to be a spiritual experience.
- To know that actions have consequences and that people think differently about what these are.
- To know that forgiveness is cancelling out wrongdoing or removing punishment.
- To know that religious and non-religious people have ideas about the relationship between God and humans.

Practices

- To know that rituals are a way of expressing beliefs and ideas about God.
- To know that prayer, meditation and rituals are used to connect spiritually.
- To know that the way scriptures are used and treated reflects beliefs about their importance.
- To know that water is often used in ceremonies and rituals to symbolise cleansing and purity.
- To know that fire is often used in ceremonies and rituals to symbolise purity and remembrance.
- To know that worship can take many forms and often involves symbolism.

Wisdom and Morality

- To know that morals are our thinking about what is right and wrong.
- To know many religious and non-religious worldviews express the idea of a 'golden rule' relating to how we treat others.
- To know that the teachings of a religious or non-religious worldview often link with a follower's life choices.
- To know that people's views about what is right and wrong change over time and place.
- To know that many factors affect our morals and life choices.

Community and belonging

- To know that for many people relationships with others and being part of a community are important.
- To know that all communities have rules and guidance for how to live together.
- To know that ceremonies involving water and fire are important occasions for some communities.

- Believe that Brahma's (God's) spirit is within every living thing as everything comes from him.
- Try to follow The Five Niyamas and The Five Yamas.

To know that some people who follow the Christian worldview:

- Believe that they can be forgiven by God if they repent of wrongdoing.
- Believe they will be judged by God on how they have lived.
- Believe Eve to have been the first person to sin (do wrong).
- Believe humans have an eternal soul.
- Read the Bible in a variety of translations and ways.
- Use prayer to ask for God's forgiveness.
- Use water for baptism, following the example of Jesus in the Bible.
- Follow The Ten Commandments as part of their moral code.
- Try to live in a way that pleases God.
- Take part in Baptism ceremonies.

To know that some people who follow the Muslim worldview:

- Believe they will be judged by God according to their actions and intentions.
- Believe that water is sacred.
- Use water to perform wudu prior to prayer and worship.
- Believe that the Qur'an provides them with guidance.
- Try to live in a way that pleases God.
- Try to follow the five pillars of Islam as living 'belief in action'.

To know that some people who follow the Buddhist worldview:

- Believe that the way they think and what they focus on are key to being human.
- Do not believe in a creator God or God as an external force in their lives.
- Meditate to ensure the mind is peaceful and focused.

To know that some people who follow the Humanist worldview:

- Believe there is no god.
- Believe that we have one life and we should make the most of it.
- Believe human beings evolved naturally and have the potential to lead good and happy lives.
- Consider what is morally right or wrong by thinking about the effect an action may have on others.

To know that people who follow the Jewish worldview generally:

- Believe that through prayer they can be forgiven by God if they repent the wrongdoing.
- Believe they will be judged by God on how they have lived.
- Try to live in a way that pleases God.
- Believe in seeking forgiveness and self-reflection, especially during Yom Kippur.
- Treat the Torah and Tanakh in special ways to show respect.

- To know that candles or flames are sometimes used as a sign of remembrance.

- Try to follow the 613 mitzvot for how to live.
 - Follow The Ten Commandments as part of their moral code.
- To know that some people who follow the Zoroastrian worldview:
- Use fire as a symbol of purity and the light of God.

Year 4- Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know that religious and non-religious worldviews change over time for individuals and groups.
- To know that people from different religions believe some of the same things.
- To know that organised and personal religious beliefs change and develop over time.
- To know that there are historical links and connections between religions.
- To know that sacrifice means giving up something valued for the sake of something else.
- To know that holy means divine, sacred or connected to God.
- To know that there is evidence that Jesus was a real person and that people have different beliefs about his significance.

Practices

- To know that the way scriptures are treated and used reflects beliefs about their meaning and origin.
- To know that rituals and practices can be based on religious and cultural roots and that often these are interconnected.
- To know that the ways scriptures are read and used changes over time.
- To know that people with similar worldviews may practice in different ways due to historical events.
- To know that practices change over time.

Wisdom and morality

- To know that stories and scriptures give insights about how to live.
- To know that religious texts contain different types of writings.
- To know why the Bible has a significant role in public life in many countries, including the UK.
- To know that religious scriptures come from a range of sources and origins.
- To know that religious scriptures are written in different languages and this can affect interpretation.

Worldview-related knowledge To know that some some people who follow the Buddhist worldview:

- Believe the teachings of Siddhattha Gotama (known as the Buddha).
- Use the Buddhist canon for guidance.

To know that some people who follow the Christian worldview:

- Believe God wants to have a relationship with humans and this can be achieved through Jesus.
- Believe Jesus was resurrected (raised from the dead) after his crucifixion.
- Believe Jesus fulfilled prophecies from the Old Testament.
- Celebrate Easter remembering Jesus' death and resurrection.
- Choose to fast during Lent.
- Believe that Jesus' teachings were radical in the historical and geographical context he was living in.

To know that some people who follow the Sikh worldview:

- Believe that commitment to trying to love God and do what he wants are more important to some than ceremonies, rituals and practices.
- May wish to join or be initiated into the Khalsa through the Amrit Sanskar ceremony.
- Believe the Guru Granth Sahib to be the final Guru, in written rather than human form.
- Believe the Guru Granth Sahib was compiled by one of the Gurus and includes teaching from Hindu and Muslim scholars.

To know that some people who follow the Muslim worldview:

- Fast and give Zakat during Ramadan
- Choose to eat a halal diet.
- Believe that as the Qur'an was originally written in Classical Arabic that is the more accurate language to read it in.
- Believe that the Qur'an was revealed to Muhammad over 23 years, shared by recitation and written down by his companions after his death.

Community and belonging

- To know that being part of a community with similar beliefs is important to some people.
- To know that the history of religion affects how people see their own and others' communities.
- To know that the language used during worship and prayer is important for some people when connecting with their community.
- To know that for some people outward expressions of belief are important for a sense of belonging.
- To know that disagreement and change happens in communities.

- Study the Qur'an from childhood and learn to recite it.
- Feel that they are part of a worldwide religious community (ummah).

To know that some people who follow the Jewish worldview:

- Believe Jesus to be a radical Jewish leader at the time he lived.
- Choose to eat a kosher diet.
- Believe the Torah should be written and read in Biblical Hebrew, translations are used but not considered to be fully accurate.
- Take part in a Bar/Bat Mitzvah ceremony.

To know that some people who follow the Hindu worldview:

- Believe that their religion goes beyond time and space and is therefore eternal.
- Read from a variety of scriptures including what is sometimes referred to as the revealed and the remembered truths.

To know that people who follow the Bahá'í worldview

- Believe that all religions are ways to understand and describe the same God.
- Believe that there is one God.

Year 5- Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know the meaning of atheist, agnostic and theist.
- To know that people have different beliefs about what happens when we die.
- To know that some people believe in God, who may judge their actions when they die.
- To know that some people believe in life after death and others may believe death is the end of our life in any form.
- To know and use correctly the following vocabulary in relation to death: afterlife, reincarnation, soul, judgement, eternity, heaven and hell.
- To know that many people who are not religious believe in some form of afterlife.
- To know that some people believe they will be reincarnated in a different form after death.
- To know that in the UK religious beliefs are a protected characteristic.
- To know that in some times and places people did not or do not have religious freedom.
- To know that throughout history and in modern times people have had to protest or fight for religious freedom.

Worldview-related knowledge To know that some people who follow the Christian worldview:

- Believe in the Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit).
- Believe God sent the Holy Spirit to be with people and that this spirit helps and guides them.
- Hold the same key beliefs but may interpret and express them differently depending on their denomination.
- Worship and pray in different ways depending on which denomination they belong to.
- Express their worldview in a way which reflects their culture.
- Celebrate Pentecost as when God sent the Holy Spirit to Earth and as the start of the Christian church.
- Interpret some teachings of the Bible differently or put emphasis on different aspects of key teaching depending on their denomination.
- Belong to a particular denomination of the Christian church.
- Relate to their community in different ways depending on the context they live in.
- Have different buildings, artwork and dress based on culture, tradition and context.

To know that some people who follow the Hindu worldview:

- Believe in reincarnation as their soul being born into another body (samsara).

- To know some of the ways that history, geography and leadership influence people's worldviews.
- To know that leadership and authority can impact people's worldviews.
- To know that worldviews impact the process of choosing leadership and authority.
- To know that leadership and authority can impact people's worldviews.
- To know that some places are valued by certain people due to things that have happened there.

Practices

- To know that funeral practices often reflect beliefs about life after death.
- To know that funerals can be important to help people grieve.
- To know that some festivals commemorate times when religious freedom has been fought for (e.g. Bonfire night).
- To begin to consider reasons for taking part in religious practices including belief, culture, tradition and obligation.
- To begin to consider some of the ways practices are influenced by culture, tradition, geography, leadership and history.

Wisdom and morality

- To know that ideas about the afterlife come from many sources.
- To know that beliefs about life after death can affect how people choose to live their lives.
- To know that people are inspired and led by others from within and outside their community.
- To begin to understand that scripture can be interpreted in different ways.
- To know that within and between religious and non religious groups people may disagree about challenging issues.

Community and belonging

- To know that funerals can be important times for communities to support one another.
- To know that communities sometimes fight or protest for the rights of themselves or others.
- To know that the community or group someone is part of shapes their sense of belonging.
- To know that religious communities usually have a leader who carries out certain duties with or on behalf of the community.
- To know that some people may find religious spaces significant even if they are not part of that religion.
- To know that some places are of particular significance due to historical, cultural and geographical reasons.

- Aim to escape samsara and reach moksha (spiritual freedom) through good karma.
- Treat a body in special ways after death, including symbolic actions.
- Be committed to complete at least one pilgrimage in their lifetime, possibly to the River Ganges.
- Use passages from the Bhagavad Gita to help them understand and respond to death.
- Consider social status or sections of society to help them understand different roles in a community.
- Believe the River Ganges to be significant.

To know that some people who follow the Humanist worldview:

- Believe that there is no life after death.
- Recognise that things we have done in life can have an impact after our death (e.g. work, children, memories).

To know that some people who follow the Sikh worldview:

- Believe in reincarnation.
- Celebrate Diwali remembering the story of Guru Hargobind.
- Try to follow the examples of the Gurus when thinking about standing up for their beliefs.
- Use fire for cremation after death with family being involved in the funeral process.
- Scatter a person's ashes on body of water.
- Follow the examples of the Gurus when thinking about standing up for their beliefs.

To know that some people who follow the Buddhist tradition:

- Believe in reincarnation.
- Read the story of Kisagotami to help them understand and respond to death.

Year 6- Substantive Knowledge

Conceptual knowledge Beliefs

- To know the meaning of omnipotent (all powerful), omniscient (all knowing) and omnipresent (everywhere at all times).
- To know some of the ways that culture, history, geography and tradition influence people's worldviews.
- To know that some people believe leaders are anointed (chosen by God).
- To know that people from the same organised worldview often hold the same key beliefs but may interpret and express them differently.
- To know that free will means a belief that humans are able to make their own choices and determine their own fate.
- To know that beliefs about the nature of God may impact people's ideas about and responses to suffering.

Practices

- To know that some people may use religious practises (e.g prayer, worship) to help them in times of suffering,
- To know that a pilgrimage is a journey to a place of religious significance.
- To know that pilgrimages are an important part of some people's life.
- To know that pilgrimage helps some people to feel close to God.
- To know that visiting a place of personal, religious, cultural or historical significance can have a special meaning for many people.
- To know that there are many reasons for some people taking part in religious practices including belief, culture and tradition.
- To know some of the ways practices are influenced by culture, tradition, geography and history.

Wisdom and morality

- To know that within and between religious and non-religious groups teaching about challenging issues can be contradictory and controversial.
- To know that writings from long ago can give people insight into modern day issues.
- To know that ideas and beliefs about suffering come from many sources.
- To know that some people use stories about how others became close to God to guide them in achieving the same aim.
- To know that cultural, historical and geographical context can affect how scripture is interpreted.

Worldview-related knowledge To know that some people who follow the Muslim worldview:

- Believe that human beings have free will and may struggle to make right choices.
- Be committed to completing Hajj (pilgrimage) at least once in their lifetime.
- Practise differently depending on the branch they are part of.
- Pray alone and with others at times of suffering.
- Go on Hajj as one of The Five Pillars.
- Travel as part of a large group to join over two million members of the Muslim community at Hajj.
- Wear special clothing during Hajj.
- Dress in certain ways which show symbolism and belonging.
- Believe Makkah to be a significant place.

To know that some people who follow the Sikh worldview:

- Believe that everything that happens is according to God's will (hukam).

To know that some people who follow the Jewish worldview:

- Believe that human beings have free will.
- Have different perceptions of the mitzvot and practise accordingly.
- Observe Shabbat.
- Practise differently depending on their interpretation of scripture (Orthodox or Reform).
- Reflect on stories from scripture to help them understand and respond to suffering.
- Dress in certain ways which show symbolism and belonging.
- Believe Israel to be a significant place.

To know that some people who follow the Zoroastrian worldview:

- Believe there is a constant battle between good and evil both spiritually and morally.
- Believe that human beings have free will.

To know that some people who follow the Christian worldview:

- Believe the original sin was committed by the first humans and that this changed the relationship between God and humans (The Fall).
- Believe that human beings have free will.
- Read the Bible to help them understand and respond to suffering.
- Believe Jerusalem to be a significant place.

To know that some people who follow the Hindu worldview:

- Worship deities based on their connection to a specific place or area.

- To know that people disagree on whether ancient writings are still relevant to modern life.
- To know that the same guidance or scripture can be interpreted differently by people.

Community and belonging

- To know that people respond in different ways then they see people in their community suffering.
- To know experiencing a pilgrimage together can help some people feel a sense of community and belonging.
- To know that some people feel significant connection to a building or place.
- To know that, for some, the people in a particular space are more important than the place itself.
- To know that shared practices can be important to give some people a feeling of belonging.
- To know that some practices might demonstrate belonging to a particular community.
- To know that shared challenge can bring people closer together.
- To know that particular places can be significant to their religion based on scripture and historical events.

- May be influenced to worship particular deities by family, culture, tradition and location.

To know that some people who follow the Buddhist worldview:

- Go on a pilgrimage or retreat to places of significance.
- Practise differently according to the form they follow.
- Describe themselves as following a particular Buddhist form.

To know that some people who follow the Shinto worldview:

- Perform rituals both at home and at shrines.

National curriculum - end of KS2

Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and 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.

Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities.

Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.

Observe and understand varied examples of religions and worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities.

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.

Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences within and between different religions and worldviews.

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.

Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.

Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.

Disciplinary knowledge

EYFS- Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking questions about things they see and experience.
- Listening to and discussing some religious or belief stories.
- Talking about their beliefs and listening to others' beliefs.
- Exploring special places in the community.
- Meeting and talking to people with different beliefs.
- Engaging in role play and drama based on simple stories.
- Sequencing and retelling events in simple stories.
- Noticing similarities and differences between their own and their peers' beliefs.
- Talking about things which are of value or importance to them and others.
- Answering questions about their own beliefs and the people, places and objects they value.
- Using full sentences to answer open questions about their own beliefs and the people, places and objects they value.

Knowledge

- To know that asking questions can help us look more carefully at something.
- To know there are different ways I can find out about others' beliefs.
- To know people have different beliefs and this is a good thing.
- To know people think different things are important.
- To know that it is important not to laugh at or insult others' beliefs.

Year 1 - Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking questions about things that interest them.
- Beginning to ask 'big' questions (e.g. Why are we here? What is real?).
- Listening to stories and discussing what happens in them.
- Exploring simple scripture quotes and considering how they might help people.
- Beginning to notice important information (e.g. first-hand accounts and photos).
- Retelling stories in their own words.
- Recognising lessons or teachings within stories and relating to their own experiences.

Knowledge

- To know there are different types of questions (e.g. those with simple factual answers and those with opinions or ideas).
- To know stories, images and objects can help us learn about beliefs.
- To know diversity is often evident in sources (e.g. different ways of welcoming babies).
- To know similarities and differences help us understand worldviews better.
- To know we all notice different things in stories and sources.
- To know it is helpful to ask questions about sources.
- To know that it is important to only use positive language when discussing others' beliefs.

- Finding religious symbols in stories and other sources.
- Recognising some religious terminology in sources.
- Thinking about the meaning of what people do.
- Beginning to notice similarities and differences within and between religions and worldviews.
- Making links between religious and non-religious beliefs and practices.
- Listening to others' ideas and comparing them to their own.
- Talking about what their answer to a question is based on.
- Identifying things that are important to people.
- Noticing differences and using respectful language to discuss them.
- Talking about how beliefs can inspire people to do things.
- Talking about their own experiences in relation to their learning.
- Sharing things that make them wonder and what they think about these things.
- Talking about what they believe.
- Respectfully sharing opinions about what is important to them and what is important to others.
- Sharing what they have learnt.
- Expressing their ideas using symbols, drawings and choosing appropriate words.

Year 2- Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking questions about what other people think and do.
- Asking questions in response to a question.
- Listening to stories and discussing what they mean.
- Examining simple scripture quotes and interpreting what they mean.
- Identifying important information from different sources (e.g. first-hand accounts, photos, survey data, video and audio footage).
- Identifying main characters and events in a story.
- Suggesting what lessons or teachings they understand from stories.
- Understanding that some symbols (for example, light) have meaning beyond the literal.
- Recognising and understanding some religious phrasing (e.g. 'peace be upon him' and 'Amen').
- Thinking about what people's actions can represent.
- Identifying similarities and differences within and between religions and worldviews.
- Making links between religious and non-religious beliefs, practices and symbols.
- Commenting respectfully on things that they notice that may be surprising or different.

Knowledge

- To know that some questions do not have a simple answer.
- To know stories, texts, images, artefacts and accounts can help us understand different beliefs.
- To know there are links between and within religious and non-religious beliefs and practices.
- To know we all have different ideas about what stories or sources might teach us.
- To know questioning sources can help us to learn.
- To know it is important to use language such as 'some', 'many' and 'most' when discussing the beliefs of followers of a particular worldview.

- Beginning to talk about why things are sometimes similar and sometimes different.
- Making links to sources when explaining their ideas.
- Explaining why some objects, places, practices and stories are important to people.
- Explaining how beliefs may influence behaviour and decisions.
- Recognising links with prior learning when encountering new content.
- Discussing how their learning can help them to answer some bigger questions.
- Responding sensitively to people whose experiences are different to theirs.
- Discussing what they have learnt, giving examples.
- Using spoken and written words, symbols and drawings to express their ideas.

National curriculum - end of KS1

Recall and name different beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life, in order to find out about the meanings behind them.

Retell and suggest meanings to some religious and moral stories, exploring and discussing sacred writings and sources of wisdom and recognising the traditions from which they come.

Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities.

Ask and respond to questions about what individuals and communities do, and why, so that pupils can identify what difference belonging to a community might make

Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves.

Notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and worldviews.

Explore questions about belonging, meaning and truth so that they can express their own ideas and opinions in response using words, music, art or poetry.

Find out about and respond with ideas to examples of co-operation between people who are different.

Find out about questions of right and wrong and begin to express their ideas and opinions in response.

Year 3- Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking questions about what others think and do and how they show their beliefs.
- Considering how different sources of information can help answer specific questions.
- Exploring scripture and stories to understand how different people might interpret them.
- Discussing how various sources provide different pieces of information.
- Considering how the same story may be told in different cultures or times.
- Comparing and contrasting stories or teachings from different religions to identify common themes.
- Recognising underlying themes in stories, such as kindness or forgiveness.
- Recognising some common religious symbols, such as light, water and fire, and considering what they represent beyond the literal.
- Exploring how language may have special religious meaning and convey beliefs and teachings.
- Exploring similarities and differences within and between religions and worldviews.
- Using different sources of evidence to build ideas about a concept.
- Discussing the meaning of historical and modern events and practices.
- Reflecting on how others might see the world and how they can show respect for viewpoints different to their own.
- Justifying their ideas and opinions using evidence from current and prior learning.
- Explaining links between religious and non-religious practices and their significance.
- Recognise similarities in concepts and beliefs even when practices and expressions differ.
- Exploring how beliefs can impact people's lives and actions, including personal and community practices.
- Commenting on links with prior learning when encountering new content.
- Drawing on knowledge to respond thoughtfully to big questions.

Knowledge

- To know the importance of asking questions respectfully.
- To know that questioning can help to explore big questions.
- To know different sources of evidence can provide different insights into beliefs and practices.
- To know some reasons for similarities and differences within and between religions and worldviews.
- To know our ideas about sources and stories are influenced by the time and culture in which we live, and by our personal experiences.
- To know sources can be interpreted differently depending on a person's worldview.
- To know that it is important to express factual information about different worldviews, rather than opinion.

- Developing the ability to use empathy to identify and understand the feelings of others.
- Beginning to discuss their own and others' spiritual experiences and beliefs.
- Showing respect when hearing about other people's beliefs.
- Explaining their learning taking into account different perspectives and evidence.
- Expressing thoughts, ideas and opinions clearly in a variety of ways.
- Recognising some common religious symbols, such as light, water and fire, and considering what they represent beyond the literal.

Year 4- Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking questions about what others think and do and how they show their beliefs.
- Considering how different sources of information can help answer specific questions.
- Exploring scripture and stories to understand how different people might interpret them.
- Discussing how various sources provide different pieces of information.
- Considering how the same story may be told in different cultures or times.
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- Expressing thoughts, ideas and opinions clearly in a variety of ways.

Year 5- Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking challenging questions and reflecting on the origins of their questions.
- Identifying key information from a broad range of sources independently.
- Explaining why interpretations of scripture and stories vary among different people.
- Synthesising information from different sources to suggest ideas about beliefs.
- Recognising how the historical and cultural context of stories can influence their meaning.
- Considering the intention of the storyteller and the impact of the story.
- Reflecting on how stories are interpreted differently by different audiences and why.
- Recognising further symbols and their representations within and across religions.
- Analysing symbolic language and recognising how different religions use language to express similar concepts (e.g. the afterlife).
- Interpreting expressions of the same concept (for example, the afterlife) within and between religions and worldviews.
- Analysing events and issues and how these might impact people's lives.
- Responding thoughtfully to and reflecting on beliefs, experiences, values and practices.
- Forming conclusions based on a range of sources.

Knowledge

- To know that some answers to questions can change over time and reflect on why this might be the case.
- To know a person's perspective influences how they interpret sources of evidence.
- To know it is necessary to use a variety of sources to achieve a well-rounded representation of beliefs and practices.
- To know the same concept (for example, equality) can be expressed in different ways.
- To know there is value in different interpretations of a source and that no one interpretation is correct.
- To know some evidence has limitations.
- To know that using neutral language, such as 'I notice...' or 'I see that...' is essential to discuss observations without conveying judgement or bias.
- To know it is important to use respectful language when challenging others' ideas (for example, 'I think,' 'I'd like to say...') but a person's beliefs should never be challenged.

- Making connections between religious and non-religious traditions, beliefs and practices.
- Appreciating the value of diversity within religions and worldviews.
- Analysing how beliefs and values shape behaviours and relationships in different contexts.
- Identifying increasingly subtle links with prior learning when encountering new content.
- Debating challenging issues with reference to learning and respect for content being debated.
- Using examples from their learning alongside their personal worldview to answer big questions.
- Explaining their own and others' spiritual experiences and beliefs.
- Considering the thoughts, feelings, experiences, beliefs and values of others.
- Presenting arguments, conclusions and perspectives with supporting evidence.
- Presenting their own ideas and opinions creatively, considering the benefits of different forms of communication.

Year 6- Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking challenging questions and reflecting on the origins of their questions.
- Identifying key information from a broad range of sources independently.
- Explaining why interpretations of scripture and stories vary among different people.
- Synthesising information from different sources to suggest ideas about beliefs.
- Recognising how the historical and cultural context of stories can influence their meaning.
- Considering the intention of the storyteller and the impact of the story.
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- To know that using neutral language, such as 'I notice...' or 'I see that...', is essential to discuss observations without conveying judgement or bias.
- To know that I can challenge others' ideas using respectful language (for example, 'I think,' 'I'd like to say...') but I should not attempt to challenge their beliefs.

- Interpreting expressions of the same concept (for example, the afterlife) within and between religions and worldviews.
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National curriculum - end of KS2

Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and 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.

Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities.

Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.

Observe and understand varied examples of religions and worldviews so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities.

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.

Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences within and between different religions and worldviews.

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.

Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse communities can live together for the well-being of all, responding thoughtfully to ideas about community, values and respect.

Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about ethical questions, including ideas about what is right and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their own ideas clearly in response.

Personal knowledge

EYFS- Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Talking about their ideas and beliefs
- Saying what is important to them and to others and why.
- Sharing their thoughts about what they learn.

Knowledge

- To know that not everybody thinks the same way or has the same ideas.

Year 1- Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Talking about simple ideas and things that puzzle them about belief in God.
- Sharing opinions respectfully about what is important to them and what is important to others.
- Expressing their own ideas and opinions based on personal experience and the beliefs of family members.
- Using various art forms to express their ideas.
- Asking their own questions about the world around them.

Knowledge

- To know what they and their families think and believe in relation to content be learnt.
- To know where some of their beliefs have come from.
- To know that it is natural for people to think and behave differently from one another.
- To know that their ideas might change over time.

Year 2- Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Asking questions about what puzzles them about religious and non religious stories and texts they have read.
- Expressing creatively their own ideas about the questions: Who am I? Where do I belong?
- Understanding that others may have different ideas from their own and responding respectfully.
- Expressing their own ideas and opinions, including considering worldviews studied.

Knowledge

- To know the links and comparisons between their own beliefs and those they are learning about.
- To know why some things might surprise or make them feel uncomfortable.
- To know that it is important to respond respectfully to different beliefs.
- To know that learning new things might change what they think and believe.

- Explaining how they have expressed their ideas through art.
- Asking thoughtful questions relating to their learning.
- Explaining why they feel something is right or wrong and comparing their ideas to others.

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Year 3 Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Discussing their own views about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth.
- Presenting different views thoughtfully and creatively, using evidence from learning.
- Asking open questions and suggesting responses.
- Discussing their own and others' ideas about deciding what is right and wrong.
- Suggesting ideas about the right ways to treat others, including own opinions and ideas from learning.
- Thinking about their own ideas about God in light of their learning, experiences and discussions.

Knowledge

- To know that what they believe influences how they think about new content.
- To know they have an individual perspective.
- To know what stereotypes are and why they should be challenged.
- To know that their own thoughts, ideas and opinions may be influenced by what they learn.

Year 4- Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

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Year 5- Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Making links and comparisons between their own and others' views about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth.
- Using creativity to present their own and others' ideas, explaining their choices.
- Asking and exploring questions from different perspectives, including their own.
- Discussing ideas about how their own or another person's worldview influences their responses to ethical issues.
- Expressing ideas about fairness, honesty, love, forgiveness, truth and peace.
- Engaging in times of thoughtfulness and reflection and making links between own and others' experiences.
- Expressing their own thoughts about the existence and nature of God.

Knowledge

- To know that their beliefs can affect how they interpret evidence and content.
- To know that different perspectives can lead to different interpretations.
- To know when bias is present and that it should always be challenged.
- To know that their worldview can change and evolve in response to their learning and experiences.

Year 6 Personal Knowledge and Skills

Skills

- Making links and comparisons between their own and others' views about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth.

Knowledge

- To know that their beliefs can affect how they interpret evidence and content.

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