

Exploring Places of Worship

Learning objective: To describe and explain the purpose and features of different places of worship.

Use the prompts below to write about a place of worship. Think about what it looks like, what happens inside, and why it is special to the people who visit.

A place of worship is a special building where people go to connect with their faith and their community.

Word bank: sacred · community · tradition · symbol · peaceful · prayer · respectful · furthermore · in addition · consequently

1. Introduction: What is the name of the place of worship you are writing about and which religion is it linked to? (e.g., 'The place of worship I am exploring is...')

2. Appearance: What does the building look like from the outside and inside? Think about the architecture and any special colours. (e.g., 'When you first look at the building, you can see...')

3. Special Features: What are some of the important objects or symbols found inside? Why are they there? (e.g., 'One important feature inside is... because...')

4. Activities: What do people do when they visit this place? How do they behave? (e.g., 'People visit this sacred space to...')

5. Community: How does this building help people feel connected to others? (e.g., 'This place is important for the community because...')

6. Conclusion: Why is it important for people to have a dedicated space for their faith? (e.g., 'In conclusion, places of worship are important because...')

Extension challenge: Can you compare this place of worship with another one? Write one paragraph explaining one thing that is similar and one thing that is different.