

Christianity: Exploring Beliefs and Traditions with Ellie

Learning objective: To identify and describe key beliefs, practices, and symbols within Christianity.

Ellie the elephant has been reading about world religions and wants you to record what you have learned about Christianity. Use the word bank to help you complete the fact-file sections. For the higher-order questions, think carefully about how beliefs influence the lives of Christians.

Word bank: Bible · Jesus · Trinity · Church · Baptism · Christmas · Easter · Prayer · Community · Kindness

1. Core Beliefs: Explain what Christians believe about the nature of God and the role of Jesus. Why is the concept of the Trinity significant to them? (3 marks)

2. Sacred Texts: Describe the importance of the Bible in a Christian's daily life. How does it guide their actions? (2 marks)

3. Community and Worship: Compare and contrast how Christians might worship in a church compared to how they might practise their faith at home. (3 marks)

4. Celebrations: Choose one major Christian festival (e.g., Easter or Christmas). Justify why this festival is important to the Christian community. (2 marks)

5. Reflection: What might happen if a Christian community did not have a shared space like a church to meet? Explain your reasoning. (3 marks)

6. Deeper Thinking: Many Christians believe in 'loving your neighbour'. How might this belief influence the way a person behaves in their local community? (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are an architect designing a new space for community reflection. Create a labelled sketch showing features that represent Christian symbols or values, and write a paragraph justifying your design choices based on what you have learned today.