

Reflecting on Life and Legacy: A Drawing Activity

Learning objective: To explore different beliefs about life after death and the concept of legacy through visual representation and reflection.

Use the drawing space below to illustrate how different cultures and religions might visualise the journey of the soul or the concept of an afterlife. Think about the symbols of peace, light, and memory as you draw.

Draw: Create a split-screen illustration. On the left side, draw a scene representing a 'peaceful garden' or 'celestial landscape' that symbolises a belief in an afterlife. On the right side, draw a 'Tree of Memory' where the leaves represent the actions, kindness, and stories left behind by someone. Use soft, bright colours for the left side and earthy, grounding colours for the right side to show the connection between the spiritual and the physical world.



Label words: Heaven · Reincarnation · Paradise · Legacy · Memory · Spirit · Peace · Eternal life

Steps:

1. Explain why many people find comfort in the belief that a person's 'legacy' continues even after they have passed away.
2. Compare and contrast two different beliefs about the afterlife mentioned in your studies. What are the key similarities and differences?

3. Justify your choice of colours and symbols in your drawing. Why do these represent your understanding of peace or eternity?
4. What might happen if a community stopped teaching children about their ancestors or their history? Explain the impact on their sense of identity.