

Max's Christian Beliefs Challenge

Learning objective: To identify key beliefs, symbols, and practices within Christianity as part of Grade 3 Religious Education.

Max the monkey is busy categorising his notes on world religions! Read the questions carefully and help him sort out these facts about Christianity. Write your answers clearly.

Answer Key: 1. A (Bible); 2. True; 3. Trinity; 4. B (Jesus); 5. False (It celebrates the birth); 6. Easter; 7. A place of worship; 8. True; 9. Four (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John); 10. Forgiveness.

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

1. 1. What is the holy book used by Christians? A) The Bible*, B) The Torah, C) The Quran, D) The Vedas (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Christians believe that God is one, but revealed in three persons (the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit). (1 mark)

3. 3. What is the specific term used to describe the Christian belief in the three-in-one nature of God? (1 mark)

4. 4. Who do Christians believe is the Son of God? A) Moses, B) Jesus*, C) David, D) Noah (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Christmas is the festival that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus. (1 mark)

6. 6. Which major Christian festival commemorates the day Christians believe Jesus rose from the dead? (1 mark)

7. 7. In one sentence, explain the primary purpose of a church building. (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: Many Christians believe that prayer is a way to communicate directly with God. (1 mark)

9. 9. How many 'Gospels' (the books telling the life of Jesus) are found at the beginning of the New Testament? (1 mark)

10. 10. What is the act of being welcomed into the Christian community, often involving water, called? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a stained-glass window that includes at least two Christian symbols, such as a cross, a dove, or a fish (ichthys).



Extension challenge: Greater Depth Challenges: 1. Explain why the Bible is considered a 'living' book by many Christians. 2. Compare and contrast how different Christian denominations might decorate their churches. 3. Justify why festivals like Easter and Christmas are central to the Christian calendar. 4. What might happen if a Christian community did not have a shared holy book? 5. Why is the concept of 'forgiveness' so important in Christian teaching? 6. Research and describe the significance of a 'baptism' font in a traditional church building.