

Pip's Prayer Discovery Quiz

Learning objective: To understand the purpose and diversity of prayer within different religious traditions.

Join Pip the bookworm on a journey of discovery! Read the questions carefully and use your knowledge of world religions to complete this quiz. You have 10 marks to earn!

Answer Key: 1.C, 2.True, 3.False, 4.A, 5.Gratitude, 6.B, 7.False, 8.D, 9.True, 10.Reflection. Prayer is a way for believers to communicate with the divine. It can be spoken aloud, whispered, or silent. People pray for many reasons: to say thank you, to ask for help, or to find inner peace.

Word bank: Meditation · Gratitude · Intercession · Worship · Ritual · Reflection · Sacred · Community

1. 1. What is the main purpose of prayer for many religious believers? A) To win a game B) To show off C) To communicate with the divine* D) To do homework (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Prayer can be performed either in a group or alone. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: Every religion uses the exact same words and movements when they pray. (1 mark)

4. 4. Which of these is a common reason for prayer? A) Expressing thanks* B) Buying a new car C) Watching television D) Cooking a meal (1 mark)

5. 5. What is the term used for a prayer where a person expresses thanks for the good things in their life? (1 mark)

6. 6. Where might a believer go to pray in a community? A) A cinema B) A place of worship* C) A supermarket D) A playground (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: All prayers must be spoken out loud to be heard. (1 mark)

8. 8. What is an 'intercessory' prayer? A) A prayer about food B) A prayer about weather C) A prayer for oneself D) A prayer for someone else* (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Some people use prayer beads or mats to help them focus during their time of prayer. (1 mark)

10. 10. What is the name for the quiet, thoughtful state often reached during silent prayer? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a peaceful space where someone might go to pray or reflect. Include symbols that represent peace, such as a dove, a candle, or nature scenes.



Extension challenge: 1. Explain why a person might choose to pray in silence rather than out loud. 2. Compare and contrast how prayer might look in a large temple versus a quiet home. 3. Justify your answer: Is prayer only for people who are in trouble? Why or why not? 4. What might happen if a community stopped praying together? 5. How does the environment (e.g., music, smell of incense, quiet) affect the way a person prays? 6. Design a new, original symbol for peace and explain what it represents.