

A Journey of Faith: Understanding Pilgrimage

Learning objective: To understand what a pilgrimage is and why people go on special journeys to holy places.

Read the questions below. Use the words from the word bank to help you write your answers. Follow the sentence starters to help you begin.

A pilgrimage is a special journey that a person takes to a place they believe is holy. People go on these journeys to show their faith, to say thank you, or to spend time in quiet reflection. Some pilgrims travel to ancient buildings, while others visit natural sites that are important to their religion.

Word bank: pilgrimage · journey · holy · special · faith · place · reflection

1. Max the monkey wants to know: What is a pilgrimage? Use the word bank to complete this sentence: A pilgrimage is a _____ to a _____ place. (2 marks)

2. Why might someone go on a pilgrimage? Give one reason. (1 mark)

3. Think about a place that is special to you. Why do you like to visit it? (2 marks)

4. True or False: A pilgrimage is just like a normal holiday to the beach. Explain your answer. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a pilgrim reaching a beautiful, peaceful place. Include a path leading to the place to show the journey.



Extension challenge: Nova the owl asks: If you were going on a journey to a special place, what three things would you pack in your bag to help you think and reflect?