

Journeys of Faith: A Pilgrimage Quiz with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To understand the meaning and significance of pilgrimage within various religious traditions, identifying key locations and reasons for travel.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey of discovery! Read each question carefully and select or write the best answer. Ellie loves to learn about history and the stories behind why people travel to sacred places.

Answer Key: 1. A (A journey to a sacred place), 2. True, 3. False (It is one of the Five Pillars of Islam), 4. Varanasi, 5. Jerusalem, 6. B (To show devotion), 7. True, 8. Reflection, 9. False (Pilgrims often seek spiritual growth, not just physical items), 10. A shrine or sacred site.

Word bank: Pilgrimage · Sacred · Hajj · Jerusalem · Varanasi · Shrine · Devotion · Reflection

1. 1. What is the definition of a pilgrimage? A) A holiday to the seaside, *B) A journey to a sacred place for religious reasons, C) A hike through the mountains, D) A school trip to a museum. (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Pilgrims often travel to places they believe are holy or significant to their faith. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: The Hajj is a pilgrimage that is considered optional for Muslims. (1 mark)

4. 4. Which holy city in India is a major site of pilgrimage for Hindus, located on the banks of the River Ganges? (1 word) (1 mark)

5. 5. Which city is considered a significant site of pilgrimage for Christians, Jews, and Muslims alike? (1 word) (1 mark)

6. 6. Why might someone go on a pilgrimage? A) To win a race, *B) To show devotion and seek spiritual growth, C) To collect rare souvenirs, D) To move to a new country. (1 mark)

7. 7. True or False: Pilgrimage has been a part of many different religions throughout history. (1 mark)

8. 8. Fill in the missing word: A pilgrimage often involves a time of personal _____ and prayer. (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Every pilgrim travels to the exact same location regardless of their religion. (1 mark)

10. 10. What is a specific, small holy place where a pilgrim might stop to pray? (1 word) (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a scene of a pilgrim reaching their destination. Include symbols of peace, a path showing the journey taken, and a beautiful sacred building in the background.



Extension challenge: 1. Explain why a journey to a sacred place might change a person's perspective on their daily life. 2. Compare and contrast the physical challenges of an ancient pilgrimage with a modern-day pilgrimage. 3. Justify your answer: Is the journey itself more important than arriving at the destination? 4. What might happen if a person was unable to travel physically but still wanted to go on a pilgrimage? 5. If you were planning a journey of reflection, what three items would you pack and why? 6. Analyse how the concept of 'community' is strengthened when thousands of people perform a pilgrimage together.