

Year 7 Knowledge Organizer 4—Worship

WORSHIP

Worship means showing worth for something and when talking about worship in religion this is showing how important God is and how thankful worshippers are for all God has done for them.

Most religions perform acts of worship though this may vary in style, content, and frequency.

PRAYER

Prayer is part of worship in many religions.

Prayer can be done with other worshippers like in a Mosque and some believe it is more powerful if it is done with others.

Prayer can be done on your own or with others, might be written down like the Lords Prayer in Christianity or made up.

One of the 5 pillars of Islam tell Muslims they should pray 5 times a day.

Jewish men are commanded in the Torah to pray 3 times a day. While praying they should wear their Kippah (skull cap) Tallit (prayer shawl and Tefillin (Leather boxed worn on their left arm and forehead) if not the Shabbat their holy day.



SACRED TEXTS

Most religious believers will use sacred texts as part of their worship.

Christianity— BIBLE

Judaism—TENAKH part of which is the TORAH

Islam—The QUR'AN

Sikhism—The GURU GRANTH SAHIB

Hinduism— The VEDAS

Buddhism—The PALI CANONS

These can be read individually or read aloud during acts of worship.

KEY BELIEFS

Hinduism can be seen as a POLYTHEISTIC religion as they have many Gods but they are just part of the one supreme God BRAHMAN.

Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism all believe in Reincarnation, that one we die we are reborn. They believe there is a Soul or in the case of Hinduism a piece of Brahman in each one of us called the ATMAN and that this carries a record of our good and bad actions from our previous life and will determine what form we will be born into in our next life. Our good and bad actions are known as our KARMA.

Buddhism though seen as a religion does not believe there to be a God but that we need to reach ENLIGHTENMENT to achieve an existence outside the circle of life that Buddhists call NIRVANA.

KEY BELIEFS

Each religion have key beliefs such as believing in God.

CHRISTIANITY

Believes there is one God (MONOTHEISTIC) and that he is the creator of the universe. Christians believe that God sent His own SON JESUS down to earth. Christians also believe in the TRINITY that God has 3 parts God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. All God but all separate and still only one God. They also believe Jesus died to repair their relationship with God. They also believe Jesus came back to life 3 days after he was CRUCIFIED in what Christians call the RESURRECTION

JUDAISM

Believes there is only one God (MONOTHEISTIC) and this is seen in the SHEMA “Hear O Israel the Lord your God the Lord is one and you will love the Lord your God with all your heart all your soul and all your strength” Jews also believe God is the CREATOR, LAW GIVER and JUDGE. Jews believe Moses was given a set of rules or MITZVOT to live by, and there are 613 of them in the TORAH.

ISLAM

Believes there is one God (MONOTHEISTIC) and this is seen in the first of the 5 pillars or duties. The SHADADAH says “There is one God ALLAH and MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM) is the PROPHET or messenger of ALLAH. The other pillars are SALAH to pray 5 times a day, SAWM or fasting, to fast during the month of RAMADAN, ZAKAT to give 2.5% of their money to charity and HAJJ to go on a pilgrimage to MAKKAH at least once in their life.