

# What is the Trinity and why is it important to Christians?

## What you've learnt already

### What our children should already know

- Christianity is a popular religion.
- Christians believe in one God.
- Christians celebrate events such as Easter, Christmas for religious reasons.

## Choices

- What do children believe the trinity represents?
- How do Christian beliefs compare to their own beliefs?

## Key Vocabulary

trinity	A group of three.
holy (sacred)	Dedicated to God or a religious purpose.
baptism	Use of water in a ceremony to symbolise
belief	Accepting something is true, even without
prayer	A request for help of expression of thanks to God or another deity (God or God-
Bible	Christian scriptures/ book.
gospel	The teaching or revelation of Christ.
saviour	A person who saves someone or some-
God	The creator and ruler of the universe, source of moral authority and supreme
Jesus	Who Christians believe to be the son of
humanity	Human beings collectively.
symbol	Something that represents or stands for
incarnation	A person who embodies a deity, spirit of quality in flesh.

## Artefacts and Symbols

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## Similarities to other religions

Islam: Islam has preserved this tradition in the form of ablution and ritual *Ghusl* for purification purpose.

Hindu: Namakarana is a Hindu naming ceremony. This takes place 12 days after birth.

Judaism: Followers are baptised, often as adults where they are fully submerged.

Sikhism: Naam Karan is a Sikh naming ceremony where babies are welcomed to the community.



## Lesson Sequence

L1	Respect others and consider symbolism.
L2	Consider the meaning of gospel.
L3	Understand the trinity.
L4	Understand the difference between baby and adult baptism.
L5	Understand and symbolise the trinity.
L6	Summarise the trinity.

## Key Knowledge

- Understand the symbolism of water in a Christian baptism.
- Know the purpose of the Christian gospels.
- Understand the meaning behind symbolism within Bible stories.
- Understand the difference between God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.
- Know how Christians show their belief about God.
- Understand what Christians understand and believe about 'God'.
- Understand what the gospels about baptisms and prayers mean to Christians?

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What is the trinity made up of?	What is a baptism?	What is a gospel?	What is a prayer?
What does water symbolise?	How are some adults baptised?	Who do Christians believe baptised Jesus?	How do some paintings show the Holy Spirit?
What is Genesis?	How do Christians welcome babies?	What creature represents the trinity?	What are the key parts of baptism?
Define incarnation	Which words in the bible are used for 'son'?	Which words in the bible are used for 'father'?	Which words in the bible are used for 'holy spirit'?

One Point

Two Points

Three Points

Four Points