



Unit Planner RE Year: 4 Title: Why do some people think life is a journey?

Unit Overview	Children in this unit consider how we can use different metaphors to keep positive about life, and that things in life are not always smooth sailing. They explore how different communities celebrate rites of passage, in particular ceremonies that show belonging, marriage and death. Children consider what milestones are important to them, and to people of different faiths.	
Prior Learning/ Links	EY – festivals, families form other religions. KS1 – what does it mean to belong to a faith community, why sacred times are celebrated. The beliefs of muslims and Jewish people. KS2 – What does it mean to be a Christian, what do people believe in God?	
Unit Title:	Substantive Knowledge	Disciplinary Knowledge
Key Questions: What would you like to be on your life journey? What do some religions believe in the afterlife? What commitments could you make to show you are making the most of life?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metaphors are sometimes used to make us feel better about life. Most religions see life as a journey. • That in some religions they have ceremonies that are seen as a passage: baptism in Christianity, bar mitzvah in Judaism and Sacred thread ceremony in Hinduism. • Children know what these ceremonies mean to parents and families. • To know that some people do not follow a religion, but may still have ways of showing the passing of special milestones. • To know that sometimes people make commitments: eating well, exercise, being kind, treating the environment well etc.. • Children can talk about the features of marriage ceremonies and recognise some similarities and differences between Hindu and Christianity. • Children can name some of the beliefs about the afterlife of Hindu's and Christians. • Children can consider what their life journey may be. 	Believing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To discuss and present their own and others views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their won in different forms such as music, poetry and art. Expressing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider why some people regard life as a journey, and what experiences signify this. • Investigate diverse communities and how they live together. Living <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate what it is like to be Christian in Britain today. • Discuss what it is like to be a Hindu in Britain today
Vocabulary	Trips/ Visits/Useful Websites/ Resources	Key Misconceptions:
Substantive: Journey Life Rites of passage Marriage Ceremony Milestone Baptism Bar mitzvah	25 Best Metaphors for Life (That will inspire you!) (symbolismandmetaphor.com) Rites of passage - Practices in Christianity - GCSE Religious Studies Revision - OCR - BBC Bitesize Religious Studies KS2: A Hindu wedding ceremony - BBC Teach	



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<p>Sacred thread</p> <p>Disciplinary: Religion Faith Belief Christian Hindu</p>	<p>Religious Studies KS2: My Life, My Religion - Christianity - BBC Teach</p>	
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