

Using Purple Mash to teach Religious Education

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Introduction

This document contains links to Purple Mash resources that have a Religious Education theme. The resources are organised either by religion where the resource pertains to a particular religion or by topic where the resource has a theme that crosses several religions.

There is an indication for each resource to show whether it contains supporting video content of the topic.





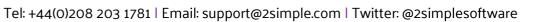
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All Religions

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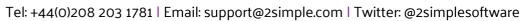
Baha'ism

Resource and link	Information	Video
<u>The 19 Day feast</u>	The 19-day feast helps followers of the Baha'i faith come together. Write an information leaflet about the feast.	V
Creating Unity and Harmony	Creating unity and harmony is a central belief in the Baha'i faith. Complete things that are similar and different between you and a friend.	
Lotus Temple	This is the Baha'i Lotus temple in New Delhi, India. The building is 9 sided in the shape of a lotus flower; there are 27 petals. Send a friend or a member of your family a post card after seeing the temple.	✓



Buddhism

Resource and link	Information	Video
Introduction to Buddhism	The core beliefs including the Threefold Path to	
	enlightenment.	
	Importance of meditation.	
	The Tipitaka - the oral tradition and the holy book	
	of Buddhism.	
<u>Buddha - Siddhartha</u>	Create a storyboard of his life, explaining how he	
<u>Gautama</u>	came to become Buddha.	
	The idea of enlightenment	
The Dharma and the	The Eightfold Path to enlightenment	
Eightfold Path	A model for living as a Buddhist	
The Four Noble truths	Write about the meaning of the Four Noble Truths	
	of Buddhism.	
Buddhist life	The branches of Buddhism	
	Non-monks and nuns	
	The monastic order within some Buddhist	
	traditions.	
Reincarnation and the Dalai	Reincarnation	✓
<u>Lama</u>	Karma	
	The Dalai Lama	
Buddhism Prayer Flags	Write a prayer for a prayer flag.	\checkmark
Buddhist Worship	Send a friend a postcard explaining what you have	\checkmark
	seen in the Buddhist shrine room.	
Wesak	Write about the Buddhist festival of Wesak.	
	Sangha (not worshipping a god)	
	Alms-giving, chanting and 'bathing the Buddha'.	
Buddhism Quiz	Test your knowledge of Buddhism	



Christianity

Note: For reading ease, there are separate tables in this section for Christmas and Easter information activities and celebration activities.

Resource and link	Information	Video
Baptism Card	Design a baptism card explaining what happens in the service.	✓
Baptism of a Baby	Learn and write about the symbolism used in baptism.	✓
Adult Baptism	Some adults make a decision to be baptised. Design a certificate to celebrate the day.	✓
Bell Ringing	Bell ringing is used in Churches and Cathedrals to call people to worship. Write a text message to a friend about hearing church bell ringing.	✓
The Bible	Write a leaflet about the Bible, the sacred text for Christians.	
Caring for the World	What we can learn in order to be better stewards for the world. Write an email.	
Change in the World	What would you like to change in the world?	
<u>Charity in Malawi</u>	Christians believe it is important to help others. Design a poster for a charity event.	×
Caring (for the homeless)	Design a poster to encourage volunteers to get involved.	
Welcoming to Children's Church	A family have moved into the area. Write a letter to the children encouraging them to attend children's church	~
A Church Service	Write about what might happen in a church during a service.	
Inside A Church	Select a photo and write about the different features found in a Church.	
Communion	Communion, The Last Supper or Eucharist is a special service for Christians. Write an information sheet	✓
<u>Confirmation</u>	Roman Catholic children are confirmed when they are 10 or 11 years old. Design a postcard about what happens	✓
Crucifixion Newspaper	Easter remembers the time when Jesus was crucified. Imagine you were a reporter there covering the story for a newspaper.	
The Holy Trinity	Write about the three forms of the God represented as the Holy Trinity.	
Family Service	Write about what happens in a family service	✓

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Integrity	Read the story of Zacchaeus (in the New Testament -	
	Luke chapter 19, verses 1-10). Write a letter or email to	
	a friend or family member to say sorry for something	
	you have done wrong and why you changed your mind	
The Life of Jesus	Write about the life of Jesus.	
Making a Difference	Learn about celebrating the power to make a difference	✓
	in the world. Design a certificate for a person who has	
	made a difference.	
Parables of Jesus:	Write about some of the parables that Jesus told his	
	followers.	
The Good Samaritan		
The Wise and Foolish		
Builders		
-		
The Sower		
T		
The Lost Sheep		
Role of the Vicar	A vicar is someone who is in charge of a Church. Write	~
	a leaflet all about the vicar's job	
Stained Glass Window	Stained glass windows are windows made from	✓
<u>Stories</u>	coloured glass showing stories from the Bible. Write	
	one of the stories from a stained-glass window.	
Supporting Others	Christians try to support people who need help.	
	Research the work that a charity does.	
Using Your Imagination	What do you see in your mind? Interpret some images.	
	Christians remains han that Datamana a model lavel friend	
What makes a good friend?	Christians remember that Peter was a good loyal friend	
	to Jesus. Write about what makes a good friend.	✓
Gospel Choir	Watch the Gospel choir singing about Jesus. Design a	v
Foundation	joyful Christmas message.	✓
<u>Forgiveness</u>	Write a letter to someone asking for forgiveness for a	*
Han wat Quiz	wrong you have done.	
<u>Harvest Quiz</u>	Harvest is the festival when Christians say thank you to	
Harvest Festival Poster	God for everything they have.	
Harvest Festival Poster Harvest Baskets Paint	Design a poster for your school's Harvest festival.	
projects	Harvest Basket 1, Harvest Basket 2, Harvest Basket 3	
Farmer Mashcam		
	Write about Shrove Tuesday	
Shrove Tuesday Information	Write about Shrove Tuesday	
Pancake Making	Write instructions for making pancakes	✓
Pancake Recipe Sequencing	Put the pictures in the correct order	

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Pancake Recipe Leaflet	Create a recipe leaflet explaining how to make pancakes.	✓
Pancake Race News	Write a newspaper report about a pancake race.	

Christmas

Activity	Information	Video Content
The Christmas Journey	Children explore the real meaning of Christmas.	✓
The Christmas Story	Create a story board for the Christmas Story.	
Nativity Quiz	Test your knowledge of the first Christmas day with this quiz.	
Nativity Scene	Try making your own Nativity scene.	
The Three Wise Men	Write about the three Wise Men and the gifts they brought to baby Jesus.	
<u>Christmas cards quiz</u>	Christmas is not always Christian. Can you work out the religious and secular aspects?	
Make a Christmas card	Make a card design and message.	
Write a letter to Santa Claus.		✓
Summarise your research on	All About Christmas Trees 1	\checkmark
Christmas Trees (3 writing	All About Christmas Trees 2	
templates)	Tree decorations postcard	✓
Make acrostic poems: <u>Bauble</u> , <u>Present</u> , <u>Christmas</u>	Write acrostic poems	
Make gift labels	Video about the purpose of gift labels.	\checkmark
Nativity Poster	Make an advertising poster for the school performance	✓
Nativity Newspaper	Write a report about the first ever Christmas	
Santa Tweets	Santa is updating his microblog as he travels across the world. What would he write?	
Santa Email	Write an email to Santa telling him what you would like for Christmas.	
Santa stuck newspaper	Can you write a front-page piece about the disappearance of Santa?	✓
Christmas Scene description	Create a beautiful Christmas picture and write some sentences to describe it.	✓
Christmas Day Truce Quiz	Test your knowledge of the Christmas Day truce during World War 1.	
Postcards:	From Santa, From the Shepherds, from Word War I soldiers	✓
Paint Projects:	<u>Christmas trees 1, Christmas Tree 2</u> <u>Decorations, Christmas jumper, Stocking, Present</u>	

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Jigsaws (5)	<u>Christmas Jigsaw 1, Christmas Jigsaw 2, Christmas</u> <u>Jigsaw 3, Christmas Jigsaw 4, Christmas Jigsaw 5,</u> <u>Christmas Jigsaw 6</u>	
Pairs Games (3)	<u>Christmas Pairs 1</u> <u>Christmas Pairs 2</u> <u>Christmas Pairs 3</u>	
Mashcam: <u>Santa cam</u>	Put yourself in Santa's role.	
Word searches	Printable Christmas Wordsearch 1 Printable Christmas Wordsearch 2 Printable Christmas Wordsearch 3	
2Respond letters to Santa	Set as a 2do and your pupils will receive emails from Santa.	
Christmas coding	Oh dear! Santa has dropped some gifts. Use the arrow keys or swipe, to help Santa control his reindeer and collect the fallen gifts. How many can you collect before the time runs out?	



Easter

Activity	Information	Video
		Content
Easter Walk	Write a newspaper report about Christians on an Easter walk.	✓
Stations of the cross	Can you match the stations of the cross with the correct description?	✓
The Easter Story	Watch the video. Write a letter to your friend explaining what has happened.	✓
Palm Sunday	Create an information text.	
Easter	Write about the Christian festival of Easter.	
Easter Research	What can you find out about Easter and Easter traditions?	
The Easter Story 2Create a Story Starter	Watch and listen to the story and then continue it.	
Oakley and Brodie Celebrate Easter Oakley and Brody Leaflet	Describe how Oakley and his brother Brody celebrate Easter.	✓
Easter Scene	Hide the eggs and dress the children. Now write a sentence about the Easter Egg Hunt.	
Easter Poem	Create a poster or a poem about Easter.	
Easter Catch	2Code game: can you catch the eggs for the Easter bunny to hide	
Easter Egg Hunt 3D	2DIY 3D Easter egg hunt game	
Easter Egg Hunt 2Go	2Go Easter egg hunt	
Mashcams	Easter Bunny cam	
Paint projects	Simnel Cake Easter Egg Symmetrical Easter Egg Easter Chick Bunny	



Hinduism

Resource and link	Information	Video
<u>Hinduism Origins and Holy</u> <u>Books</u>	Write about how the religion originated and how the beliefs are recorded in holy books and scriptures.	
<u>Hindu Deities</u>	Write about Brahman, the supreme God and some of the representations of the Hindu deities.	
The Purusharthas	Write about the Purusharthas; the values which Hindus aim to achieve to live a happy and balanced life.	
The Ganges	The Ganges is a special river for Hindus. Write a leaflet about the river.	✓
The Story of Shiva and the Ganges	Complete a storyboard on how Hindus believe the heavenly river came to earth.	
Hindu Worship	What happens when Hindus worship? Write a leaflet.	✓
Parading of Murti	Write a poster explaining what happens at the parading of Murti.	✓
Celebrating Ratha Yatra	Watch a procession of the Hindu god Ratha Yatra and write all about it.	✓
<u>Hindu baby rite of passage</u>	Mundan is celebrated when a Hindu child is one year old. Can you write a text message all about it.	
Diwali Special Clothes	Dress the children in their special clothes ready for Diwali	
<u>Araymaan's Diwali</u>	Create an information leaflet explaining how Araymaan celebrates Diwali.	\checkmark
Firework Display Poster	Create a poster to advertise a Diwali or November the 5th Fireworks display.	✓
<u>Diwali Sweets</u>	Sequence the instructions for a Diwali sweets recipe. Give each instruction a picture.	
Postcard: Rama and Sita and Diwali celebrations	You celebrated Diwali in a temple. Write a postcard telling someone what you saw.	√
<u>The Festival of Holi</u>	Write about the festival of Holi; the festival of colours including the legend of Prahalad and Holika.	
Holi Postcard	You have just participated in celebrating the festival of Holi. Write a postcard to a friend about your experiences.	
Paint Projects	<u>Mehndi patterns</u> <u>Diwali Diya</u> <u>Holi Celebration</u> <u>Rangoli Patterns 1</u>	

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Rangoli Patterns 2
Rangoli Patterns 3
Rangoli Patterns 4
Rangoli Patterns 5
Symmetrical Rangoli Patterns 1
Symmetrical Rangoli Patterns 2
Symmetrical Rangoli Patterns 3

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Islam

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The Five Pillars of Islam	Create an information text about the five pillars of Islam.	
Five Pillars Leaflet	Create an information leaflet about the five pillars of Islam.	
Mosque Paint Project	Can you paint a beautiful mosque?	
Ramadan Research	What can you find out about Ramadan and Ramadan traditions?	
Ramadan and Bad Habits	During Ramadan, Muslims try to give up bad habits. What bad habits could you try to give up?	
<u>Plan for lftar</u>	Can you plan a meal for lftar, the evening meal, that Muslims eat when they break their fast each night of Ramadan?	
Eid Descriptive Writing	Ramadan ends with the festival of Eid-ul-Fitr. This is a time for family and friends to celebrate together. Use your senses to write a description of a festival or special day that you remember.	
<u>Eid ul Fitr Email</u>	Eid ul Fitr is a big celebration that marks the end of Ramadan. Write an email to a friend explaining what Eid ul Fitr is.	
Eid Mubarak card 1	Can you design an Eid Mubarak (Happy Eid) card	
Eid Mubarak card 2	for a friend?	
Muharram leaflet	Create an informative leaflet about the Month of the new Islamic Year.	
Muharram card	Can you design a Muharram (New Year) card for a friend?	
<u>Hajj Newspaper</u>	The fifth pillar of Islam is Hajj. This is a pilgrimage or journey to Makkah	
Prayer Rakah	Muslims pray 5 times a day. Learn about the special sequence known as Rakah.	\checkmark
Prayers at work	Can you design a 'Closed for Prayer' sign?	✓
Times of prayer - pairs game	Learn about what times Muslims pray.	
Wudu	Wudu is the way Muslims prepare for prayer. Learn about what Wudu involves.	✓
Wudu and Rules	Watch the video about the rules for Wudu and their spiritual effect. Why are rules useful?	
Muslim Choir	Watch how the children experience joy when singing. What makes you happy?	✓
Fundraising for a cause	Learn about Muslim values in relation to helping others. Create a poster to advertise an event.	✓

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Jainism

Resource and link	Information	Video
Forgiveness Circle	On the Forgiveness Day, Jains request forgiveness from each other for the wrongs they have committed. Write a text message asking a person for forgiveness.	
Non-Violence	Jains believe that nonviolence is important. Write an information sheet about the Jain faith.	✓
Non-violence sorting activity	Sort the activities that Jains can do.	

Judaism

IntroductionAbrahamWhat is a prophet? Polytheism and monotheism. What is a covenant and what was the covenant made?Moses StoryboardMoses How the Hebrews (or Israelites) moved to Egypt and were persecuted by the Pharaoh. 10 plagues and first PassoverThe Ten CommandmentsReceiving the ten commandments	
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The Ten Commandments Receiving the ten commandments	
Write your own commandments	
Torah The Torah is the holy scripture in Judaism. Find out	
Or how it is shown respect. Write an email or	
What is the Torah?descriptive writing about the Torah.	
Uses of the SynagogueFind out and write about what happens at a	
Synagogue.	
ChederFind out what Jewish children learn at weekly	
cheder classes. Make a poster.	
Judaism Life LeafletHow do Jews express their faith today?	
Prayer, Worship	
Lived experience from different denominations	
within Judaism	
The SabbathWrite an email to your friend describing your	
Sabbath with Zusha.	
Rosh Hashana WritingWrite about the Jewish festival of Rosh Hashana.	
Rosh Hashana CardDesign a card for the Jewish New Year	
Spiritual ReflectionReflect on what you've achieved this year and your	
hopes for next year with this template for Rosh	
Hashana.	

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Honey cake recipe	Re-order these instructions for a Jewish honey	
	cake into the correct order. Honey cake is a symbol	
	of the sweet new year.	
Yom Kippur letter	Write a letter to someone asking for forgiveness	
	for a wrong you have done.	
Seder Plate Paint Project	Can you draw and label the correct items on this	
	Seder Plate? You can add your own design to it.	
Seder plate	The Passover Seder is a meal that marks the	
	beginning of Passover which remembers a time	
	long ago when the Jews fled from Egypt. Draw and	
	label a seder plate	
2Code Passover Game:	Before Passover, Jewish families clean their homes	
Crumb Hunt	thoroughly to remove any traces of bread or	
	crumbs. This is because it is a time when they	
	remember leaving slavery in Egypt in such a hurry	
	that they didn't have time to let their bread rise.	
	Click on a room and try to find the last crumbs.	
2DIY3D Exodus Game	Find Pharoah to ask for freedom for the Jewish	
	people. Avoid the plagues.	
The Ten Plagues Animation	Watch, and then continue this animation of the ten	
	plagues.	
Purim Poster	How people celebrate and prepare for Purim.	✓
Purim video and information	Use the video and your own research to find out	✓
	what happens during Purim.	
Purim Information	Watch the video and then write about Purim	✓
The Chanukah Story	Create a storyboard of the Chanukah story	
Chanukah Writing Template	Write about the Jewish festival of Chanukah	
Latkes Recipe	Sequence the instructions for a Latka recipe. Give	✓
Latkes Recipe Leaflet	each instruction a picture.	
Chanukiah Paint Projects	<u>Chanukiah</u>	✓
	Chanukiah with Textures	\checkmark
	Chanukiah Colouring	
Honesty	Watch the video. Why is it important to tell the	✓
	truth? Text advice to a friend.	
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Rastafarianism

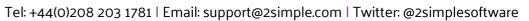
Resource and link	Information	Video
Symbolic Clothing Pairs game	Each part of each Rastafari's appearance means	
	something. It is symbolic. Play this pairs game to	
	find out what it symbolises.	

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Sikhism

Resource and link	Information	Video
Introduction to Sikhism	How Sikhism began? Guru Nanak and his vision of God.	
<u>Sikhism Quiz</u>	Quiz to assess how much pupils have learnt.	
<u>The Ten Gurus</u>	Write about who they were and how they developed the faith.	
<u>The Kahlsa</u>	The creation and significance of the Khalsa.	
The five Ks of Sikhism	What the five Ks are and what they represent.	
<u>Celebrating Baisakhi\Vaisakhi</u>	The Sikh festival of Baisakhi marks the Sikh New Year and the founding of the Sikh community, known as the Khalsa. Write about what happens. Design a brochure.	 ✓
<u>The Gurdwara - Karah</u> <u>Prashad</u>	Write about what happens in Gurdwara.	✓
<u>The Guru Granth Sahib</u> <u>Scriptures</u>	The Sikh scriptures.	
<u>Guru Granth Sahib</u>	Write about the Guru Granth Sahib and the role of the Granthi.	✓
Gurdwara School	At the Gurdwara school we learn about our faith and ourselves. Write an email to a friend.	✓
<u>Khalsa</u>	Sikhs are proud to be part of the Khalsa. What makes you proud?	✓
<u>Sewa</u>	Sewa is the idea within Sikhism of giving service to others. Write about what you have found out.	✓
Roots	Learn about Sikh remembrance practices. Design a poster to show people who you think it is important to remember.	V





Humanism

Resource and link	Information	Video
World Religions Writing template	Use this template to write about theism (monotheism and polytheism), atheism and agnosticism. Write about religious symbols for a variety of beliefs. Create a religion timeline to compare the origination of different religions. Write about what Humanists believe about life.	
Humanism Slideshow - age 7 to 9 Humanism Slideshow - age 9 to 11	Find out what Humanism is.	
Being Happy	Humanists believe that it is important to be both a happy individual and part of a happy community. Write about 3 different things you like to do, Describe how you can enjoy them individually and with others.	
Humanist Rules	Write about the ways that humanists decide what is right or wrong and decide on the best course of action in different situations.	
Humanist Celebrations and Community	Write about how some Humanists form communities and what they do together. Explore how Humanists celebrate life events. Write about what Humanists believe about death.	
<u>Humanism Leaflet</u>	Humanists want to help everyone in the world live full and happy lives. What would you like to do in your life? What are your dreams and goals?	
Humanism Sorting activity	Sort each statement into the correct section according to humanist beliefs.	



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	origination of different religions.	

Prayer

Buddhism Prayer Flags	Buddhism	✓
Times of prayer - pairs game	Islam	✓
Prayers at work	Islam	\checkmark

Thankfulness

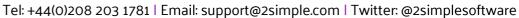
Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Being thankful for food		
Special People Certificate		

Forgiveness

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Forgiveness Circle	Janism	
Forgiveness	Christianity	✓
Spiritual Reflection	Judaism	

Environment

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Caring for the World	Christianity	
Change in the World	Christianity	





Beliefs

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Standing up for your beliefs		
Non-Violence	Janism	✓
Non-violence sorting activity		
Khalsa (Community)	Sikhism	✓

Charity

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Charity in Malawi	Christianity	✓
Supporting Others	Christianity	
<u>Sewa</u>	Sikhism	✓
Caring (for the homeless)	Christianity	✓
Fundraising for a cause	Islam	✓

Courage

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
When have you shown		
courage?		

Honesty

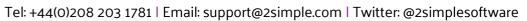
Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Honesty	Judaism	✓

Joy

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Joy		
Being Happy	Humanism	
Gospel Choir	Christianity	✓
Muslim Choir	Islam	\checkmark

Rules

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
New School Rules		





Wudu and Rules	Islam	\checkmark
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Friendship and Unity

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
What makes a good friend?	Christianity	
What sort of friend are you?		
Creating Unity and Harmony	Baha'ism	

Rites of passage

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
Baptism of a Baby	Christianity	✓
Adult Baptism	Christianity	✓
Confirmation	Christianity	\checkmark
Hindu baby rite of passage	Hinduism	✓

Identity

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
About me page		
My Identity		
If I could change the world		
Symbolic Clothing Pairs	Rastafarianism	
<u>game</u>		
Ramadan and Bad Habits	Islam	
Making a Difference	Christianity	✓
Roots	Sikhism	✓

Journeys

Resource and link	Religion focus	Video
The Ganges		\checkmark
<u>Hajj Newspaper</u>		✓

