

Year 3 God and Creation

How and why are festivals important in Judaism in understanding the characteristics of God?

Key vocabulary

- Judaism
- Festival
- Characteristics
- Thankful
- Symbols
- Sukkah
- Sukkot
- Tabernacle
- Festival
- Spices
- Booths
- Tradition
- Commandment
- Feast

In this unit I will learn:

- What it means to be thankful.
- To work out the different ways we can show that we are thankful.
- The importance of the Sukkah.
- The importance of the Sukkot festival in reminding the Jewish people how God sheltered his people from the wilderness.
- What it felt like to be wandering the desert and how to make shelters.
- How Sukkot is celebrated in modern day Judaism.
- To understand what happens at a Sukkot feast.

What should I know already?

- The importance of symbols in religion.
- The characteristics of God
- That Christianity and Judaism worship the same God.
- The importance of Moses in both Christianity and Judaism.
- The story of the 10 plagues.

Key questions

- What does it mean to be thankful?
- How is a Sukkah made?
- Why is Sukkot important?
- What happens at a sukkot feast?

Skills I will develop:

- Make links between beliefs, stories and practices.
- Identify the impact of beliefs and practices on people's lives.
- Identify similarities and differences between religions and beliefs.
- Investigate and connect features of religions and beliefs.
- Ask significant questions about religions and beliefs
- Describe and suggest meanings for symbols and other forms of religious expression
- Describe how some features of religions are exemplified in festivals and practices
- Make links between religious symbols, language and stories and the beliefs or ideas that underlie them
- Compare aspects of our own experience and those of others, identifying what influences their lives.

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