

# Year 5 - If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?

## Knowledge Organiser



### Key Knowledge

#### What I am going to learn...

- ✚ A place of worship is somewhere people go to connect with their religion.
- ✚ It has many purposes for different people, primarily it builds a community and enables people to share their experiences with religion.
- ✚ There are 2 different types of Christian church, Anglican and Baptist.
- ✚ People that attend the different churches may have different beliefs.
- ✚ Hindu worship at home and at the Mandir.
- ✚ Hindus use a Shrine at home to create a sacred place for worship.
- ✚ The Mandir has sadhus (holy men), a huge space, a gate and steps and shikara (towers reaching to the sky). Both home and Mandir worship involve water, food, the OM sound, a murti, a bell and a lamp.
- ✚ Jewish place of worship is called a Synagogue or a Schul.
- ✚ They are different depending on whether the Jewish community is Orthodox (traditional) or Reform (modernised).
- ✚ Reform: men and women sit together, some services in English, might be a choir, girls' heads uncovered, bimah close to Ark.
- ✚ Orthodox: service in Hebrew, no choir/ instruments, men and women separate, all men and women's heads covered, bimah in centre.
- ✚ Christians see the church itself as the body of Christ- acting on behalf of Jesus in the world.
- ✚ Church provide lots of help and support, as well as opportunities for worship, which often occur outside the usual Sunday service.

Key Vocabulary	Definition
<b><u>Worship</u></b>	The feeling or expression of reverence and adoration for a deity
<b><u>Anglican</u></b>	Relating to the Church of England
<b><u>Baptist</u></b>	A member of the Protestant Christian denomination – only adult believers are baptised
<b><u>Mandir</u></b>	A Hindu temple
<b><u>Shrine</u></b>	A place regarded as holy because of its associations
<b><u>Murti</u></b>	The image, statue or carving of a god in Hinduism. A "murti" is a representation of the god, but when worship begins, Hindus believe the spirit of the god enters the image
<b><u>Puja</u></b>	Hindi word for worship
<b><u>OM</u></b>	The sound of God, Hindus say when they worship or meditate to bring their minds to God
<b><u>Sadhus</u></b>	A holy man
<b><u>Shikara</u></b>	Towers reaching to the sky
<b><u>Schul</u></b>	Jewish word for Synagogue
<b><u>Bimah</u></b>	The alter part or sanctuary in ancient and Orthodox churches

### Possible Experiences (things I could do at home to help)

- ✚ Create an information sheet 'Why do people..... visit a place of worship?' Focus on Hinduism, Christianity, and Judaism.



### Useful Websites

A Hindu shrine:  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zh2hyrd>  
 Visiting a Mandir  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o-s0mN5P8jo>  
 The Synagogue  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z834wmn>