

Y7 RE Knowledge Organiser HT1 - The Island



The 10 Commandments

1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. Don't worship idols.
3. Don't use God's name in vain or disrespectfully.
4. Keep the Sabbath day free to worship God.
5. Respect your mother and father.
6. Do not kill.
7. Don't cheat on the person you love (adultery).
8. Don't steal
9. Don't tell lies (give false evidence)
10. Don't be jealous of what other people have

Commitment Ceremonies

- Most religious traditions have ceremonies where young people make a **personal** commitment to their faith.
- These occur at different times, but usually around the **teenage years**, so they are sometimes referred to as a '**Coming of Age**' ceremonies.
- They mark the change from a **child to an adult**.
- After this, young people are **expected** to take full responsibility for their **religious duties**.

Ingredients of a Religious Ceremony

- ✓ **Symbols** to help us express what might be difficult to express in words.
- ✓ **Special clothes**, which, full of symbol, help us to express the importance of the occasion.
- ✓ **Special gifts** full of meaning. Such as the gifts given at a Christening or wedding.
- ✓ **Special words**. These often express the powerful feelings and promise that help people feel. Sometimes they are blessings and wishes for a person's future happiness. These could be in a piece of music, a hymn, a prayer or a blessing.
- ✓ **Special food**. Often again, full of symbols to give meaning to the occasion.

Pilgrimage

- Every year, **pilgrims** from many different religions make special religious journeys
- Anyone can be a pilgrim: rich or poor, male or female, old or young

Pilgrims visit places of religious *devotion* such as:

- a. A place where people worship God
- b. The tomb of a saint or other important person
- c. A location where an important event in the life of a holy person is thought to have occurred



Why Do People Pray?

- Prayer can be religious/ non-religious
- It can bring comfort in a time of need
- It can be for thanks/asking for help/ saying you are sorry.
- Most religious people believe God is with them at all times. Prayer can take place in a religious building, at home, even on the bus to school!
- Life is full of good things for us to explore. God gives us loads of things that we can choose to do. We all know that we can make bad choices sometimes. This part of the prayer is asking God to help us avoid doing things that we know we should not.



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