

# R.E: SPECIAL WORDS AND STORIES KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER



## Overview

-Books and stories can be extremely important to people. Most people have at least one book or story that is special to them.

-Books and stories can be special to different people for different reasons. People from different cultures and faiths may find different stories special.

-Many religious people, for example Christians and Hindus, have special holy books and stories which help them to live their lives.

-To these people, special books and stories (and the words written in them) are often sacred.

Christians believe that Jesus Christ shared parables (special stories) with those around him.



## In Hinduism

Hindus see Krishna as an avatar; that is, a name given to Vishnu when he comes to earth to help mankind. Stories about him are used to help Hindus think about God in different ways and how to find God using different methods. He teaches Hindus that they are all God's playmates and are born on earth to take part in God's play. Krishna is often shown with his partner Radha. He is sometimes pictured holding a flute. His hair is decorated with a peacock's feather. Stories about Krishna are found in the Gita.



He is the god of love and devotion and he is the most famous of all the heroes of Hindu mythology.

Many Hindu children are told stories about Krishna's childhood.

## In Christianity

### The Bible



-The Bible is the holy book of Christians. It has two sections – the Old Testament and the New Testament.

The Old Testament has stories about the Jewish people before the birth of Jesus.

-The New Testament contains stories about Jesus, who himself was a Jew. It also describes some of the things that happened in the years after he died.

-The Bible contains four accounts of the life of Jesus, written by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. They were some of his disciples while he was alive.

Many of these stories are very special to Christians, as they teach them about the things that Jesus did, and how they themselves should live their lives.

### The Lord's Prayer

-The Lord's Prayer is a special prayer because Jesus taught it to his followers.

-It contains words that are very important to Christians, for example heaven, forgiveness, and temptation.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread and  
forgive us our trespasses as we  
forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil.  
Amen.

## In Christianity

### The Easter Story

- The Easter Story including Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday tells of the death and resurrection of Jesus.



See knowledge organiser 2 for details of the Easter Story

#### Easter Symbols

The **Easter egg** symbolises new life. The cross on the **hot cross bun** symbolises the cross that Jesus was crucified on.

#### Easter Traditions

-Easter gardens are often made around Easter time, to remind Christians of the Easter Story.  
-Egg painting  
-Easter Eggs  
-Giving cards

## Personal Spirituality – Key Questions

What are my favourite books and stories?

Why are they special?

What are my favourite nursery rhymes and poems?

What makes them special?

What are my favourite songs?

Why are they special?

What were my first words?

What are my favourite words, and what makes these words important?