

RE Concepts Progression

CONCEPTS (subject specific abstract ideas; 'big ideas' of the field)								
Concepts central to understanding religion Concepts central to human experien								
Transcendence	Belief	Worship	Tradition	Meaning	Belonging			
existence or experience	an acceptance that	show reverence and	passing of customs or beliefs	what is meant by a	an affinity to something			
beyond the normal or physical	something exists or is true,	adoration for a God/Deity	from generation to another	something				
level	especially one without proof	(e.g. Festival, meditation, prayer,	(e.g. scripture, symbol, festival,					
(e.g. God, deity, creation, revelation,	(e.g. faith, trust, sacred)	praise, ceremony, ritual, pilgrimage)	language, law, custom)					
destiny)								

	Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Transcendence			Know that people of different faiths have belief in a God / deity.	Know that people of different faiths have belief in a God / deity.	Know some of the ways different faiths describe God	Know some of the ways different faiths describe God	Understand different faiths have beliefs in an existence or experience beyond the normal or physical level	Understand different faiths have beliefs in an existence or experience beyond the normal or physical level

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Belief			Know about different beliefs and practices and begin to understand the meaning behind them.	Know about different beliefs and practices and begin to understand the meaning behind them.	Describe a range of symbols and beliefs and understand the meaning behind them	Describe a range of symbols and beliefs and understand the meaning behind them	Describe a range of symbols and beliefs and understand the meaning behind them Understand that to have a belief is to have an acceptance that something exists or is true, especially one without proof	Describe a range of symbols and beliefs and understand the meaning behind them Understand that to have a belief is to have an acceptance that something exists or is true, especially one without proof
Worship	Recognise and describe special times or events for family and friends Show interest in different ways of life	Recognise and describe special times or events for family and friends Show interest in different ways of life	Know about beliefs and practices from different faiths and begin to understand the meaning behind them.	Know about beliefs and practices from different faiths and begin to understand the meaning behind them.	Know about different acts of worship and understand the meaning behind them.	Know about different acts of worship and understand the meaning behind them.	Know about different beliefs and practices and understand the meaning behind them. Understand that through worship believers show reverence and adoration for a God/Deity	Know about different beliefs and practices and understand the meaning behind them. Understand that through worship believers show reverence and adoration for a God/Deity
Tradition	They know about similarities and differences between themselves and others and among families, communities and traditions	They know about similarities and differences between themselves and others and among families, communities and traditions	Explore sacred writings and recognise the traditions which come from them Note and respond sensitively to some similarities and differences between different faiths	Explore sacred writings and recognise the traditions which come from them Note and respond sensitively to some similarities and differences between different faiths	Understand the traditions and rituals of different faiths which mark important points in life	Understand the traditions and rituals of different faiths which mark important points in life	Understand the meaning behind traditions and rituals of different faiths which mark important points in life Understand tradition is the passing of customs, beliefs or practices from generation to another	Understand the meaning behind traditions and rituals of different faiths which mark important points in life Understand tradition is the passing of customs, beliefs or practices from generation to another
Meaning			Retell and suggest meanings to some religious stories	Retell and suggest meanings to some religious stories	Understand why it makes a difference in people's lives to believe in God	Understand why it makes a difference in people's lives to believe in God	Understand varied examples of religions and worldwide views so they can explain, with reasons, their meaning and significance to individuals and communities	Understand varied examples of religions and worldwide views so they can explain, with reasons, their meaning and significance to individuals and communities

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Belonging	Enjoy joining in with family customs and routines	Enjoy joining in with family customs and routines	Begin to understand the importance of belonging to a community	Begin to understand the importance of belonging to a community	Identify what difference belonging to a community might make	Identify what difference belonging to a community might make	Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith. Understand ways in which diverse communities can live together for the wellbeing of all	Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith. Understand ways in which diverse communities can live together for the wellbeing of all