



Discovery RE Knowledge Organiser Year 3, ages 7-8

This knowledge organiser is a guide, offering key information to point the teacher in the right direction as to the beliefs underpinning the particular enquiry.

The summaries must not be taken as the beliefs of ALL members of the particular religion.

Religion /Worldview: Christianity	Enquiry Question: What is good about Good Friday?	Age: 7/8 Year Group: 3 Spring 2				
This enquiry considers the Christian concepts of Salvation and the Gospels, where we find the story of Holy Week (the events leading up to Jesus' death and						
resurrection starting with Palm Sunday and finishing on Easter Sunday).						

Core Knowledge (see also background information documents)		Link to other aspects of belief	Personal connection / resonance
Salvation: the belief that Jesus' death and resurrection saved humans and		The word Gospel means "good news" as Christians	Can I consider a belief where
opened the way back to God for eternity.		believe Jesus' incarnation (God becoming man) is good	somebody comes back to life from
All 4 of the Gospels (the accounts of Jesus' life on earth attributed to his		news for all people.	the dead and which therefore
closest friends) tell the story of Holy Week. The day before Good Friday is		Christians believe that Jesus went willingly to his death	makes their death a "good" thing?
called "Maundy Thursday" and is the day he ate a "Last Supper" with his		because he trusted God as his father.	How do I feel about this?
friends. The passing of the cup of wine and breaking of bread at this		They believe in eternal life with God because of Jesus	
supper is commemorated in the Christian sacrament of communion. Good		rising from the dead.	
Friday is the day when Christians commemorate the death of Jesus on the			
cross. Christians believe his death on Good Friday was necessary to bring			
forth the resurrection on Easter Sunday.			
Key Terms and definitions	History/Context	Impact on believer/daily life	Spiral curriculum link
Incarnation: God as man	Crucifixion was a common punishment	Christians believe that it was God's plan that Jesus was	Yrs 1&2 Spring 2 Easter units.
Disciples : Jesus' special friends	for certain crimes in Jesus' times. The	to suffer death in this way to show that people can be	Other units which speak of
Resurrection: Coming back to life	Bible says Jesus was put to death	forgiven and have a fresh start. Jesus forgave the thief	sacrifice for faith such as Yr 1
after being put to death	along with two thieves.	and bystanders at his crucifixion.	Summer 1 (Judaism: Shabbat), Yr 3
Crucifixion: being put to death by	Jesus fulfilled many prophecies from		Spring 1 (Sikhism: the story of the
being nailed to a cross.	the Old Testament throughout his life,	Many Christians will go regularly to church to share in	Khalsa).
Communion: The sharing of	but especially over Holy Week. These	communion in memory of the death and resurrection of	
specially blessed bread and wine	allowed his disciples, who would have	Christ and Christians who do not attend more regularly	

which then becomes/represents to Christians the body and blood of Jesus to commemorate the Last Supper and Jesus' death and resurrection.	known these verses, to have even more belief that he was the long-awaited Messiah.	may go to the Easter services on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.			
Home learning ideas/questions: Do my family know about the Chris	ome learning ideas/questions: o my family know about the Christian belief commemorated at Easter? What do we do to celebrate Easter, if anything?				

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