

Unit 1.8

What makes some places sacred to believers?

Learning outcomes

**Make sense of belief:**




- Recognise that there are special places where people go to worship, and talk about what people do there
- Identify at least three objects used in worship in two religions and give a simple account of how they are used and something about what they mean
- Identify a belief about worship and a belief about God, connecting these beliefs simply to a place of worship

**Understand the impact:**

- Give examples of stories, objects, symbols and actions used in churches, mosques and/or synagogues that show what people believe
- Give simple examples of how people worship at a church, mosque or synagogue
- Talk about why some people like to belong to a sacred building or a community.

**Make connections:**

- Think, talk and ask good questions about what happens in a church, synagogue or mosque, saying what they think about these questions, giving good reasons for their ideas
- Talk about what makes some places special to people, and what the difference is between religious and non-religious special places.

Key word	Definition	Photograph
sacred	Very special and linked to worshipping God	
<b>Church</b>	Christians visit this place of worship	
Altar	Table where holy communion happens	
Font	Water is inside for baptism	
Lectern	Stand for the Bible	
<b>Synagogue</b>	Jews visit this place of worship	
Ark	Special place where the Torah is kept.	
Eternal light	A light above the ark which is always lit.	
Talit	A shawl worn by men when they pray in the synagogue.	
<b>Mosque</b>	Muslims visit this place of worship	
Minbar	Platform where sermon is given by imman.	
Mihrab	Small alcove in the wall, pointing to Mecca.	
Minaret	Tower where the call to prayer is given.	