

# Religious Education Assessment Overview

## CHRISTIANITY – INCARNATION – THEOLOGY – AUTUMN 2

### EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

How does a celebration bring a community together?  
Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?

Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retell stories about Jesus as an adult.</li> <li>Recognise that nativity stories come from the Bible.</li> <li>Recognise that Jesus is a very special baby.</li> <li>Recognise that Christmas is a Christian celebration.</li> </ul>
Most children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain how Christians say that Jesus was a special baby because he came from God.</li> <li>Explain how Christians sing carols and perform nativity plays to tell the good news of God coming to Earth.</li> <li>Show an awareness of why presents are an important part of Christmas.</li> <li>Explain how Christmas helps to bring Christians together.</li> </ul>
Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Show an awareness of how Christians say that Jesus was God come to be with us on earth as the friend and rescuer of human beings.</li> <li>Give an example of a Christmas event at church that are a reminder of God's love for people.</li> <li>Explain why many Christians like to do something to help others over Christmas.</li> <li>Begin to explain how Christmas encourages a sense of belonging within the Christian community.</li> </ul>

### YEAR 1

Why does Christmas matter to Christians? (Core Learning)

Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain how for Christians, Jesus is not just a baby but God.</li> <li>Explain how Christians say that Jesus was a special baby because he came from God.</li> <li>Explain how Christians sing carols and perform nativity plays to tell the good news of God coming to Earth.</li> <li>Show an awareness of why presents are an important part of Christmas.</li> </ul>
Most children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give a clear, simple account of the story of Jesus' birth and why Jesus is important for Christians – that Jesus is God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem.</li> <li>Recognise that stories of Jesus' life come from the Gospels.</li> <li>Give examples of the ways in which Christians use the story of the nativity to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas.</li> <li>Explain how Advent for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus' coming.</li> </ul>
Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognise that incarnation is part of the 'Big Story' of the Bible.</li> </ul>

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<b>YEAR 2</b>	
How do Christians belong to their faith family?	
Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know that Christians traditionally worship together on a Sunday.</li> <li>• Identify some Christian symbols and artefacts.</li> <li>• Recognise the church as a group of people and faith family, not just a building.</li> <li>• Recognise that some people call themselves Christians and that using the name Christian means they belong to their faith family.</li> </ul>
Most children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explain the importance for Christians of worshipping together on a Sunday.</li> <li>• Explain how First Communion, Christenings and Baptisms show Christians belong to their faith family.</li> <li>• Explain the use of light and water in baptising and christening.</li> <li>• Explain how different symbols and artefacts are used to show Christians belong to their faith family.</li> </ul>
Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explain how the church is a faith family.</li> <li>• Explain different ways that demonstrate how Christians belong to one worshipping family.</li> </ul>
<b>YEAR 3</b>	
What is the Trinity? (Core Learning)	
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Most children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know that Christians believe God is Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.</li> <li>• Explain how Christians believe the Father creates; he sends the Son who saves his people; the Son sends the Holy Spirit to his followers.</li> <li>• Offer suggestions about what texts about baptism and Trinity might mean and give examples of what these texts mean to some Christians today.</li> <li>• Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in worship (in baptism and prayer, for example) and in the way they live.</li> </ul>
Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Know that Jesus, the Son of God, is seen by Christians as revealing what God the Father is like.</li> </ul>

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<b>What is the Trinity? (Digging Deeper)</b>	
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Most children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify John 1 as part of a 'Gospel', noting some differences between John and the other Gospels.</li> <li>Describe how Christians show their beliefs about God the Trinity in the way they live.</li> <li>Know that Jesus, the Son of God, is seen by Christians as revealing what God the Father is like.</li> <li>Know that Christians believe the Holy Spirit is God's power at work in the world and in their lives today, enabling them to follow Jesus.</li> </ul>
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<b>Was Jesus the Messiah? (Core Learning)</b>	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Show how Christians express their beliefs about Jesus as Prince of Peace and as one who transforms lives, through bringing peace and transformation to the world.</li> <li>• Weigh up how far the world needs a Messiah, expressing their own insights.</li> </ul>
YEAR 6	
Was Jesus the Messiah? (Digging Deeper)	
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Some children will ...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognise that Christians see the Christian Church as part of the ongoing story of the People of God, and try to live in a way that attracts others to God.</li> </ul>