







Year 7 Religious Studies Autumn term knowledge organiser

Elements of faith

Religion	Follower	Symbol	Name of God/Gods	Country of origin	Founder/messenger	Holy book/s	Place of worship	Main festivals	Followers in the UK (according to 2011 census)	Followers in the world (approx.)
Buddhism	Buddhist		None	India (today in Nepal)	Siddhartha Gotama (The Buddha)	Tripitaka	Temple Shrine room Vihara	Wesak Dharma day	250,000	400 million
Christianity	Christian		God	Palestine Israel	Jesus	Bible	Church Cathedral	Easter Christmas	37 million	2.3 billion
Hinduism	Hindu		Brahman (Shiva, Vishnu, Brahma)	Indus valley	None	Vedas Bhagavad Gita Mahabharata	Mandir Temple	Holi Diwali	830,000	1 billion
Islam	Muslim		Allah (God)	Saudi Arabia	Muhammad (pbuh)	Qur'an	Mosque	Eid-ul-Fitr Eid-ul-Adha	2.7 million	1.6 billion
Judaism	Jew		G_d	Israel	Abraham	Torah Tenakh	Synagogue	Rosh Hashanah Pesach Yom Kippur	270, 000	20 million
Sikhism	Sikh		God Waheguru	Punjab, India	Guru Nanak The ten gurus	Guru Granth Sahib	Gurdwara	Vaisakhi Diwali	430, 000	30 million

Keyword	Definition
Theist	Someone that believes in God
Atheist	Someone that doesn't believe in God
Agnostic	Someone that is not sure about the existence of God
Monotheist	Someone that believes in one God
Polytheist	Someone that believes in many Gods

