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- Living

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• Living

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charity and generosity?					
Believing		Expre	essing	Livi	ng

Understanding the World Religious Education Links - Nursery, Reception

EYFS Statutory Educational Programme: Understanding the world involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community. The frequency and range of children's personal experiences increases their knowledge and sense of the world around them – from visiting parks, libraries and museums to meeting important members of society such as police officers, nurses and firefighters. In addition, listening to a broad selection of stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems will foster their understanding of our culturally, socially, technologically and ecologically diverse world. As well as building important knowledge, this extends their familiarity with words that support understanding across domains. Enriching and widening children's vocabulary will support later reading comprehension.

 Taken from Non-Statutory guidance Development Matters 3- & 4-Year Olds will be learning to: Show interest in different occupations. Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people. 	Taken from Non-Statutory guidance DevelopmentMattersReception will be learning to:-Talk about members of their immediate	Early Learning Goal at the end of Reception children at the expected level of development will: People Culture and Communities ELG Children at the expected level of development will: - Describe their immediate environment
	to members of their community. - Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.	 using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps; Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class; Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and – when appropriate – maps.

What stories are special and why?	 Which places are special and why? 	What is special about our world?	

A progression overview for 5-11s: outcomes

Aims in RE: A progression grid	At the end of KS1 most pupils will be able	At the end of key stage 2 most pupils will be able to:
	to:	
Know about & Understand A1. Describe, explain and analyse beliefs, and practices, recognising the diversity which exists within and between communities;	Recall and name different beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life, in order to find out about the meanings behind them;	Describe and make connections between different features of the religions and world views they study, discovering more about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and the rituals which mark important
		points in life in order to reflect thoughtfully on their ideas;
Know about & Understand A2. Identify, investigate and respond to questions posed by, and responses offered by some of the sources of wisdom found in religions and world views;	Retell and suggest meanings to some religious and moral stories, exploring and discussing sacred writings and sources of wisdom and recognising the communities from which they come;	Describe and understand links between stories and other aspects of the communities they are investigating, responding thoughtfully to a range of sources of wisdom and to beliefs and teachings that arise from them in different communities;
Know about & Understand A3. Appreciate and appraise the nature, significance and impact of different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning;	Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities;	Explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so that they can understand different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning;
Express and Communicate B1. Explain reasonably their ideas about how beliefs, practices and forms of expression influence individuals and communities;	Ask and respond to questions about what communities do, and why, so that they can identify what difference belonging to a community might make;	Observe and understand varied examples of religions and world views so that they can explain, with reasons, their meanings and significance to individuals and communities;
Express and Communicate B2. Express with increasing discernment their personal reflections and critical responses to questions and teachings about identity, diversity, meaning and value;	Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves;	Understand the challenges of commitment to a community of faith or belief, suggesting why belonging to a community may be valuable, both in the diverse communities being studied and in their own lives;
Express and communicate B3. Appreciate and appraise varied dimensions of religion;	Notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and world views;	Observe and consider different dimensions of religion, so that they can explore and show understanding of similarities and differences between different religions and world views;
Gain & deploy skills: C1. Find out about and investigate key concepts and questions of belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, responding creatively;	Explore questions about belonging, meaning and truth so that they can express their own ideas and opinions in response using words, music, art or poetry;	Discuss and present thoughtfully their own and others' views on challenging questions about belonging, meaning, purpose and truth, applying ideas of their own thoughtfully in different forms including (e.g.)

		reasoning, music, art and poetry;
Gain & deploy skills:	Find out about and respond with ideas to	Consider and apply ideas about ways in which diverse
C2. Enquire into what enables different	examples of co-operation between people	communities can live together for the well-being of all,
communities to live together respectfully for the	who are different;	responding thoughtfully to ideas about community,
wellbeing of all;		values and respect;
Gain & deploy skills:	Find out about questions of right and wrong	Discuss and apply their own and others' ideas about
C3. Articulate beliefs, values and commitments	and begin to express their ideas and	ethical questions, including ideas about what is right
clearly in order to explain reasons why they may	opinions in response	and wrong and what is just and fair, and express their
be important in their own and other people's lives.		own ideas clearly in response.