




RE Spring term 1 Year 6

Why is the Exodus such a significant event in Jewish and Christian history?

Key vocabulary	Explanation/ definition	Key Knowledge
Moses	The Hebrew prophet who led the Israelites out of Egypt and delivered the Law during their years of wandering in the wilderness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Exodus is a significant event in Jewish and Christian history. • The Seder is the special meal celebrated by Jews on the first evening of the festival of Passover. • Christianity is rooted in Judaism and Jesus celebrated the Passover. • For Jews, the event of the Exodus and Passover are at the very heart of their beliefs. <p>Special meal of Seder eaten on the first evening of Passover</p>  <p>The Israelites Exodus from Egypt</p>  
Exodus	The departure of the Israelites from Egypt.	
Israel	A small country in the middle east and the place where two world religions, Judaism and Christianity began.	
Freedom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The state of being free or at liberty rather than in confinement or under physical restraint. • Personal liberty, as opposed to bondage or slavery. • Political or national independence. 	
Slavery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The condition of a slave; bondage. • The keeping of slaves as a practice or institution. 	
Slave	A person who is the property of and wholly subject to another; a bond servant.	
Seder	A ceremonial dinner that commemorates the Exodus from Egypt and includes the reading of the Haggadah and the eating of symbolic foods.	
Passover	A Jewish spring festival which celebrates the freedom of the Jews from slavery in ancient Egypt.	

Key skills

By the end of this unit, pupils are expected to be able to:

- Retell in detail the story of the Exodus and connect it to the Passover celebration and Seder meal.
- Make links between the Passover, Last Supper and the Eucharist.
- Use appropriate religious vocabulary to show they understand why Passover is a festival of memory and freedom.
- Express their opinion about what freedom is and what is not.
- Identify the similarities and differences between the level of importance placed on the Exodus and Passover by Jews and Christians.
- Explain using appropriate religious language, the significance of the Passover and why it is not forgotten.