



CHRISTIANITY



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# St White's Primary School - RE

Phase: UKS2

Why do some people believe in God and some not?



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## What should I already know?

- God can take many forms and can be named differently.
- Each different religion has a different name for their God.
- Christians believe that God liberating and follow all his teachings.
- Christians believe that the 'The Ten Commandments' are life rules.
- God can take the form of Father, Spirit, Son, eternal, almighty, holy, shepherd, rock, fortress and light all taken from the Bible.

## Key Knowledge

- Understand and define the terms 'theist', 'atheist' and 'agnostic'.
- Atheists believe one of 4 main theories – The Big Bang, Evolution, evil and suffering and there is no proof in God.
- More people in Cinderford believe in a God than not (according to Census 2011)
- There are different Gods in all religions (see other box).
- Christians use Biblical metaphors for God including: Spirit, Father and almighty.
- Religious people believe that there is a God and follow his teachings.
- Non-religious people believe that there is no God.
- Theists believe that family background influences your faith.
- People say religious experiences or have experienced 'the presence of God' can influence their faith.
- Atheists believe science over religion.
- Pupils to know the difference between: **Fact** – has evidence to support an idea and has been proved true. **Belief** – an acceptance that something is true without proof. **Opinion** – a judgment formed about something not necessary based around fact of knowledge.

## Values

Challenge	What challenges do theists, agnostics and atheists face to share their viewpoint?
Commit	How do theists commit to supporting God?
Conquer	How do people conquer the different viewpoints in order to form their own view?
Celebrate	How do scientists celebrate the creation of the world?



## Key facts and figures

Founder: Jesus of Nazareth  
Sacred Text: Bible  
Place of Origin: Roman Judea – Present day Israel.  
Sacred building: Cathedral / church  
Holy Place: Jerusalem  
Originated: 1<sup>st</sup> Century AD – when Christ died.

## Technical vocabulary Mat

theist	A person who believes in the existence of a God
atheist	A person who disbelieves in the existence of Gods.
agnostic	A person who believes that nothing is known or can be known about the existence of God.
eternal	Lasting forever.
monotheist	Believe in one God.
almighty	Having complete power.
philosophers	A person who has studied the nature of knowledge, reality and existence and these are considered an academic.
causation	the action of making something happen
omnipotent	All-powerful
benevolent	Well meaning and kindly.
omniscient	Knowing everything
liberating	Providing a release from a situation which limits freedom

## Different types of God across religions

Christianity – Jesus Christ  
Islam – Allah  
Judaism – Yahweh (Jehovah)  
Hinduism – Shiva  
Buddhism – Buddha (Siddhartha Gautama)  
Sikhism – Akal Murat