

## Pilgrimage

In this unit of work the children will build upon their understanding of 'journey' to explore personal responses to pilgrimage, exploring local and global pilgrimage sites for different faiths.

### In this unit children will:

- explore how a person of faith may make a special journey
- explore the diversity and significance of local religious places to faith groups and members of the community
- compare key places of pilgrimage and identify why a faith member might go there
- describe and show understanding of actions carried out by a pilgrim before, during and after pilgrimage
- show understanding of what is sacred for believers in religious places
- reflect on the reasons a faith member may make a special journey

### Key Vocabulary

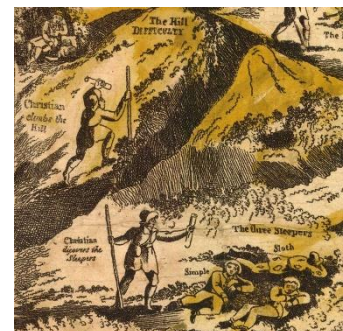
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### Prior Learning

**This is a stand-alone unit, not previously covered explicitly in earlier units.**

### Cross Curricular Links

**PSHE** Cultural awareness; understanding and tolerance of others.



## Key Knowledge

- Pilgrims venture out on this special journey as a symbol of their faith.
- I understand that a pilgrim is different from a tourist.
- Pilgrimage is not always easy.
- Pilgrims will find themselves and their faith tested along the way.
- Their destination is a place of significance to them because of their faith.
- Life can be seen as a special journey that everyone makes, whether they are faith believers or not.
- Some faith believers have a duty to go on a pilgrimage.
- Other people undertake a pilgrimage as a test or a demonstration of their faith.

## Key Questions

- What is pilgrimage?
- Who goes and why?
- How does a pilgrim prepare for the journey?
- What do they take with them?
- What does the pilgrim do when they get there?
- What do they leave at the site and what do they bring away with them?
- How does a pilgrim feel at different stages of their journey?
- Where are the sacred sites of pilgrimage for different faiths?
- Why are they sacred?
- What does pilgrimage mean to a believer?
- What is the lasting impact on their life?

