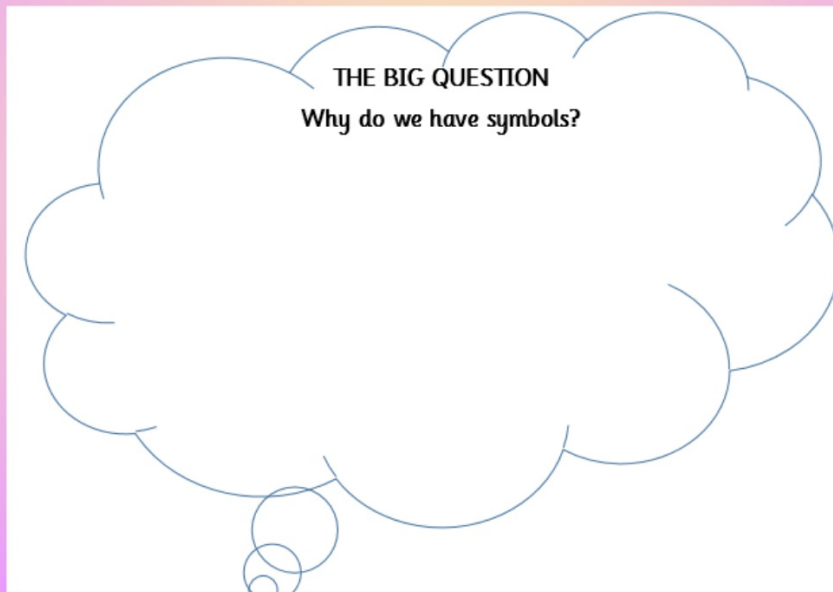


What is our big question this half term?
What did you write as your answer?



WALT: identify religious symbols.

Success criteria:

- * I know what a symbol is.
- * I can recognise the symbols of the 7 religions we learn about at Dobcroft Infant School.
- * To explain what some of the symbols represent.

Deepening: I can discuss the similarities and differences of the religious symbols.

Key Word

Islam Hinduism Buddhism Sikhism
Humanism Judaism Christianity symbols



What is a symbol?

An object or image that represents something.



What religion do these symbols represent?

Hinduism



The Aum

Judaism



Star of David

Humanism



The happy human

Islam



Star and Crescent

Christianity



The Cross

Buddhism



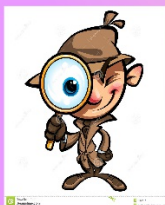
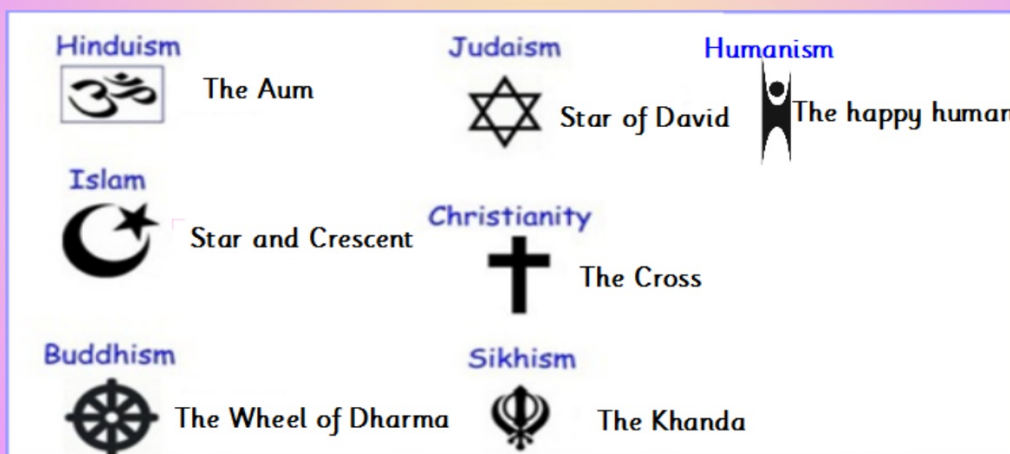
The Wheel of Dharma

Sikhism



The Khanda

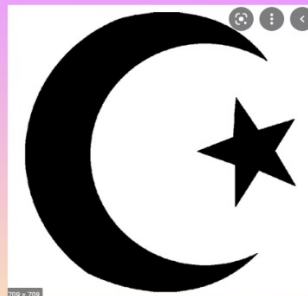
Using your Year 1 knowledge and from the Autumn team, what do you remember about any of the 7 religions we learn about?



Lets look at the symbols in more detail

Islan

Symbol: Star and Crescent



Introduce

This symbol can be found on Mosques and National flags of many muslim majority countries such as the flag of Turkey and Pakistan.



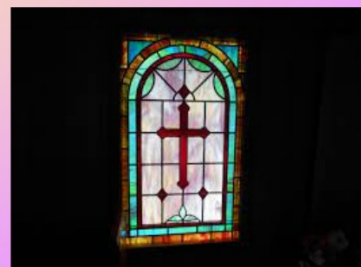
Christianity

Introduce

Symbol: The Cross



The Cross represents Jesus' death because he died on a cross. The symbol can be found on Church windows.



Hinduism

Introduce

Symbol: The Aum



Om (also spelled Aum), is **the most sacred symbol in Hinduism**. In Hinduism, Om is like calling god's name towards you. This name is generally said three times, before chanting any prayers. Om is usually related to the Hindu God Shiva, who is the destroyer god.

Buddhism

Symbol: The Wheel of Dharma



Introduce

Buddha once made a speech to his followers, which he proclaimed the 8 noble truths and showed this in the Dharma wheel. This wheel is the symbol of Buddhism and represents Buddha's ideas.



How many noble truths do you remember?

Buddha's 8 noble truths

- 1. Right View.** The right way to think about life is to see the world through the eyes of the Buddha—with wisdom and compassion.
- 2. Right Thought.** Clear and kind thoughts make good people.
- 3. Right Speech.** By speaking kind and helpful words, we are respected and trusted by everyone.
- 4. Right Conduct.** Before we criticize others, we should first look at what we do ourselves.
- 5. Right Livelihood.** This means choosing a job in life that does not hurt others.
- 6. Right Effort.** This means not wasting effort on things that hurts ourselves and others.
- 7. Right Mindfulness.** This means being aware of our thoughts, words, and deeds.
- 8. Right Meditation.** Focus on one thought or object at a time and we can be quiet and attain true peace of mind.

Sikhism

Symbol: The Khanda



Introduce

What does khanda mean?

The circle in the middle is called the Chakkar and represents the eternal love and nature of God.

The middle sword is called a Khanda and is doubled edged. This unites the two other swords and reminds Sikhs that there is one God.

The left hand sword is called Miri and reminds Sikhs that they must fight for what is right in the world.

The right hand sword is called Piri and represents spirituality.



Humanism

Symbol: The Happy Human

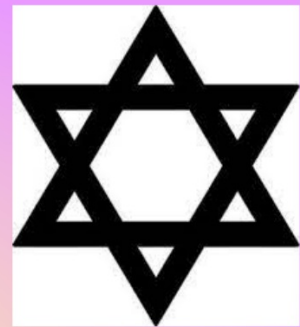


Introduce

The Happy Human is an icon that has been adopted as an **international symbol of secular humanism**. Created by Dennis Barrington, the figure was the winning design in a competition arranged by Humanists UK (formerly the British Humanist Association) in 1965.

Judaism

Symbol: The Star of David



This is the 6 pointed star. It can be seen on the flag of Israel. It is also known as Magen David (Shield of David), signifying **God as the protector of David**





Symbols quiz.



Which is the symbol for the Christianity religion?



Which is the symbol for the Buddhism religion?



Which is the symbol for the Humanism religion?



The Aum



Star of David



The happy human



Star and Crescent



The Cross



The Wheel of Dharma



The Khanda



Star and Crescent

Islam

This symbol can be found of the flag of Pakistan.



1. Pick 3 symbols

2. Write the name of the symbol.

3. Write the religion.

4. Write a fact that you have learnt today.

Reflection



What are the similarities and differences of these different religions?

