

YEAR 5/6
AUTUMN I

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

COMMITMENT



Concept:
Beliefs

WHAT SHOULD I ALREADY KNOW?

- I can talk about the rites of passage of Christian confirmation and the Hindu Sacred Thread ceremony.
- I can talk about some of the symbolic meaning behind these ceremonies
- I know that during these events a person takes responsibility for their own faith.

VOCABULARY

Commitment	the state or quality of being dedicated to a cause
Bar or Bat Mitzvah	The initiation ceremony of a Jewish boy/girl who has reached the age of 13 and is regarded as ready to observe religious precepts and eligible to take part in public worship.
Tefillin	Two leather boxes, which contain words from the Shema.

STICKY KNOWLEDGE

During the service, the boy will read aloud part of the Torah or a section of the Prophets. He will wear the tefillin for the first time	The synagogue is the Jewish place of worship, but is also used as a place to study, and often as a community centre as well.
Torah: The law of God as revealed to Moses and recorded in the first five books of the Hebrew scriptures	These are celebrations and rituals that promote togetherness, their culture, and the importance of faith. These ceremonies usher in young people into their congregation while binding them to their faith.



WEAVING CONCEPTS

Explore 

Describe what happens at a ceremony associated with joining or belonging to a faith community and explain why people might choose to join

Engage 

Explain the meaning of a joining ceremony for believers and explain the impact of commitment on their future lives

Reflect 

Talk about personal values and commitments and the impact that these have on their own lives and the lives of people around them.