

Why do some people think life is like a journey?

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Vocabulary

Humanist: someone who believes it is possible to live a good life without following a religion.

Belief: faith that something is true even without proof.

Life after death: the belief that after you die you continue to exist.

Destiny: the hidden power believed to control future events.

Worship: to have or show a strong feeling of respect and admiration for God.

Ritual: a religious ceremony consisting of a series of actions performed in a set order.

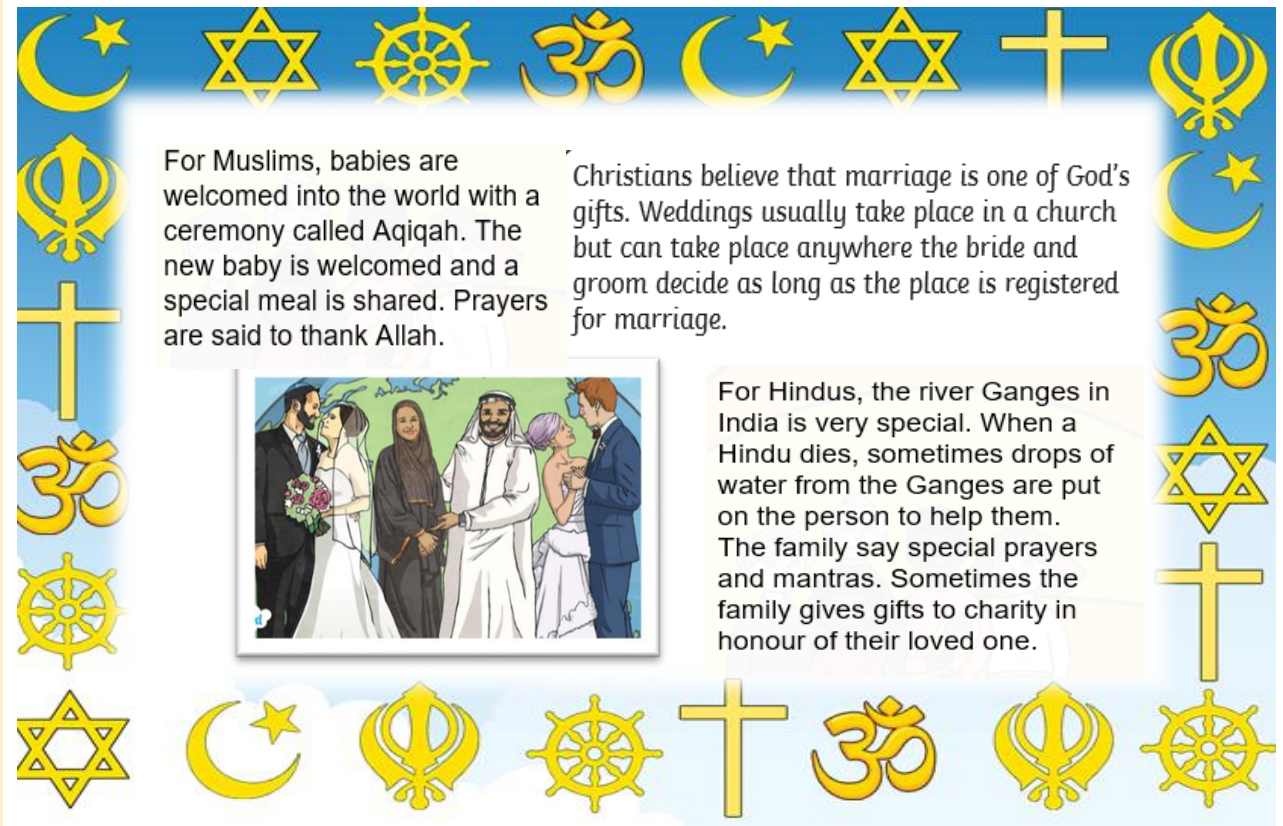
Soul: the spiritual part of a human being regarded as immortal.

Spiritual: relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul rather than physical things

Commitment: being dedicated to a cause or activity.


Values: those behaviours felt important to someone.

Heaven: a place regarded in many religions as the home of God (or the gods) and the angels, and of the good after death.



For Muslims, babies are welcomed into the world with a ceremony called Aqiqah. The new baby is welcomed and a special meal is shared. Prayers are said to thank Allah.

Christians believe that marriage is one of God's gifts. Weddings usually take place in a church but can take place anywhere the bride and groom decide as long as the place is registered for marriage.



For Hindus, the river Ganges in India is very special. When a Hindu dies, sometimes drops of water from the Ganges are put on the person to help them. The family say special prayers and mantras. Sometimes the family gives gifts to charity in honour of their loved one.

Key Knowledge

- Christians, Hindus and Muslims see life as a journey.
- There are key moments marked by rituals for welcoming a baby, becoming an adult, celebrating a marriage and funeral rituals in each religion.
- There are a range of ideas about an afterlife, including Muslim paradise, Christian heaven and Hindu reincarnation and Moksha.
- Humanist have a commitment to 'the one life we have.'

