

BRUNSHAW PRIMARY SCHOOL



OUR VISION:

Inspiring children to be resilient and aspirational learners,
within a positive and considerate community.

	Subject: RE Term Autumn 2 – Christianity - God	Year group: 4	Title: How and why might Christian use the Bible?
Lesson	Key Knowledge /objectives	Skills/Key Questions	Vocabulary
1 Shared Human Experience	To know that doing right thing generally means making decisions that are not based on your own personal needs, that don't expand your popularity, or enforce your personal beliefs To know that doing the wrong thing is behaviour that is illegal or immoral, even bad To understand that authority is the ability of a person or an organisation to conduct a certain lifestyle for another person or a group. Authority is known as one of the basis of society and stands against cooperation To know that teachers have the authority to give out assignments and homework at school To know that it is the adults who must be exercising decision making authority at home usually To know that police, judges, fire service, doctors, religious leaders have authority in our communities To know we are more influenced by the opinion of this authority figure, believing their views to be more credible, and hence place greater emphasis on the authority figure's viewpoint and are more likely to obey them. This concept is considered one of the social cognitive biases or collective cognitive biases	Why do people have different views about right and wrong?	Views Right Wrong Authority Teachers Police Judges Religious leaders Doctors Influence

2 Beliefs and Values	To know the Bible is the Holy book used by Christians To know the Bible is used by Christians to give them guidance about how they can live their lives in the way God would want them to. There is guidance in the Bible on many areas of life and Christians will turn to this advice when they are faced with a dilemma through the stories and genres in the text To understand we have lots of different types of stories - adventure stories, historical stories, science fiction, poetry To know that people write different types of texts, forms, for different purposes – to entertain, to inform, to explain etc To know that the Bible was compiled over a long period of time and is really a collection of books, written by different authors at different times To identify some of the types of writing, eg story, history, law, poetry, letters, proverbs. Give pupils two sheets, one with extracts from the Bible, the other with a box for each literary genre. Ask the pupils to match the Bible extract with the correct genre. The main genres in the Bible are Law, History, Poetry & Wisdom, Prophecy, Gospels, Narrative and Letters To know that authors choose to write in a particular genre to help us understand the messages easier and breaks up the bible into smaller sections depending on what you are wanting to learn or understand To take these easier extracts taken from translations which can be easily accessed by the children. <i>For example, the Good News Bible has a reading age of 8–9 years. Possible extracts: Genesis 1:1–4 (narrative), Psalm 23:1–2 (poetry), examples of Proverbs (wisdom), the crucifixion of Jesus – Luke 23 (history), The Parable of the lost sheep – Luke 15 (parable), A New Testament</i>	• How and why might Christians use the Bible?	Christians Bible Holy Book Collection Stories Authors Genre Messages Purpose Guidance
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	<i>letter such as 1 Corinthians 1:1–3 (letter), Amos – a prophecy (prophecy)</i>		
3 Living Religious Traditions	To know that Christians use and apply the Bible to their life by remembering key truths. Remember promises, principles, commandments, and prayers. They don't just read it, they take it to heart and listen for what God might be saying to them through it To know that Christians use the Bible as a source of guidance as well as family, community, church, personal experience, traditions and their conscience. To understand that we make moral decisions that are generally better made if the individual has considered a variety of sources of guidance and help rather than just one, or if they always consult the same one. This helps an individual to gain the most complete picture of the situation they face and the options available, and so helps them make a better decision To now bibles can come in different forms - a children's Bible, a comic-book Bible, a Gideon's Bible (left in your hotel room – easier read), an adult Bible To understand that the children's Bible helps to read God's Word in simple, straightforward language To understand that the prophet Daniel was living under a King who didn't respect God. When he made prayer against the law it didn't stop Daniel from praying. The punishment was terrible – he was thrown into a cave of lions overnight. The LORD saved Daniel and protected him from harm all night long To know that Christians understand that just like Daniel, their first priority should be whether or not they're serving and honouring God. There are many lessons they can learn from the life of Daniel that go far beyond him being thrown into a lion's den. He was a	Who might Christians look to when making moral decisions?	Moral Christians Decisions Guidance Accessible Daniel Sources of authority Lessons

	faithful servant of God who didn't waver or compromise when hardships arose To know that one of the overwhelming lessons that we can take away from the story of Daniel in the Lion's Den, is the incredible trust we can place in our God		
4 Search for Personal Meaning	To understand that some Christians interpret the Bible differently because the Bible is for people of all cultures, we encounter different interpretations of Scripture. The Holy Spirit sometimes generates differences in interpretation that lead to an enriched understanding of Scripture for Christians in various cultures To know that as with many different things in life, the Bible can be interpreted (explained in many ways) differently by different people. Each and every section of the Bible can be open to interpretation by the person reading it. As a result, there are different types of Christians who can have slightly varying beliefs about the teachings in the Bible. Christians can be broadly categorised into three groups, depending on their interpretation of the Bible - Literalist Christians, also known as fundamentalist Christians, regard the words of the Bible as being the true voice of God. For example, when reading the creation story in Genesis, fundamentalists would believe that the world was literally created in six days. Conservative Christians believe that the Bible was written by humans who were inspired by God. They still follow its teachings but don't necessarily take every word as being the voice of God. For example, when reading the creation story, conservatives might accept that one of God's days may not necessarily be the same length as one of our days; meaning the world wasn't	Why some Christians might have different views about how to interpret and apply the Bible?	Christians Interpret Teachings Groups Literalist Conservative Liberal Cultures

	literally created in six days but that God did create the world as outlined in Genesis. Liberal Christians regard the Bible as words that have been written about God. Although these are a good guide for Christians in understanding their faith, they might interpret passages differently to fit modern society. For example, when reading the creation story, a liberal Christian might believe that the Genesis account is simply a story to help Christians understand that God is the creator of the world.		
5	To know a morals are like guidelines that assist a person in choosing between right from wrong or good from bad To know that people, place and books can be sources of wisdom and authority in our lives – church, community centres, libraries, parents, grandparents, teachers, leaders, bibles etc To that morals are standards that help an individual choose for himself between right and wrong or good and bad. This understanding of morals is absolutely necessary for anyone to make honest, credible, and fair decisions and relations in their daily lives. Moral development is an essential process of overall human development To understand that without such rules people would not be able to live amongst other humans. People could not make plans, could not leave their belongings behind them wherever they went. We would not know who to trust and what to expect from others. Civilized, social life would not be possible	Does it matter if I am a moral person?	Moral Good Bad Guidance Wisdom Authority