

Jigsaw RE Knowledge Organiser

This knowledge organiser is a guide, offering key information to point the teacher in the right direction as to the beliefs underpinning the particular enquiry.
The summaries must not be taken as the beliefs of ALL members of the particular religion.

Religion /Worldview: Islam	Enquiry Question: How important is the Qur'an to Muslims?	Age range: 5-7	Enquiry 3
In this unit, we will look at the Muslim holy book, the Qur'an. To Muslims this book contains the words of Allah.			

Core Knowledge (see also background information documents)	Link to other aspects of belief	Personal connection / resonance	
<p>The Qur'an is the holy book for Muslims, but it is also believed to be the actual words of Allah spoken in Arabic, the language chosen by Allah. It is treated with great care. Many Muslims take lessons in how to speak Arabic, including schoolchildren. These classes are often taught in the Mosque, the Muslim place of worship. Muslims believe the Qur'an gives information on how to live life the way Allah would want. The Qur'an is treated with care in the following ways...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Being put on a stand when used, so it is not touched too much. o When not used it is wrapped in a clean cloth o When not being read it should be the highest book in the room o Never being placed on the floor o Hands are washed before it is touched. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muslims could visit the place of the Night of Power in Makkah • Classes to help Muslims learn Arabic often happen in the Mosque (place of worship) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why are books special to people? • What is my favourite book? • Why is it special to me? • How do I look after books? • Why is it important to look after books? 	
Key Terms and definitions	History/Context	Impact on believer/daily life	Spiral curriculum link
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allah – Muslim name for God • Qur'an – The Holy book for Muslims – words of Allah to Muslims. • Muhammad – messenger chosen by Allah. • Night of Power – the night the first part of the Qur'an was given to Muhammad. • Makkah – city where Islam began. • Saudi Arabia – country Makkah is in 	<p>Islam as a religion would not have started without the events in this enquiry. The Qur'an is to Muslims the word of Allah – Islam has now spread all over the world and the Qur'an is a guidebook through life for Muslims.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most Muslims will have their own copy of the Qur'an. They need to show the Qur'an respect by looking after it carefully. As it is word of God to Muslims, they will try to follow what the Qur'an says – this is not always easy. 	<p>The third enquiry in the 5-7 age range. This follows on from work on Allah and the prophet Muhammad. These enquiries contain really important beliefs for Muslims. In later enquiries you can look at ways of worshipping for Muslims like prayer and pilgrimage (special journeys) and also ways to live a good life.</p>
Home learning ideas/questions: Do we have special books? Why are they special? What have we learned from books and stories?			