

Our R.E Learning Journey

Key vocabulary:

- Talents
- Creation
- Prayer
- Gratitude
- Grateful
- Harvest

Discussing why people are thankful during harvest

What do many religious people think about how the world was created?

What are the many different ways of showing we are grateful?

Why are people thankful for their talents?

What does it mean to be thankful?

Who can we be thankful to?



LQ : Can I explain how we are thankful at Harvest?

Steps to success



I know that lots of people celebrate different kinds of Harvest.

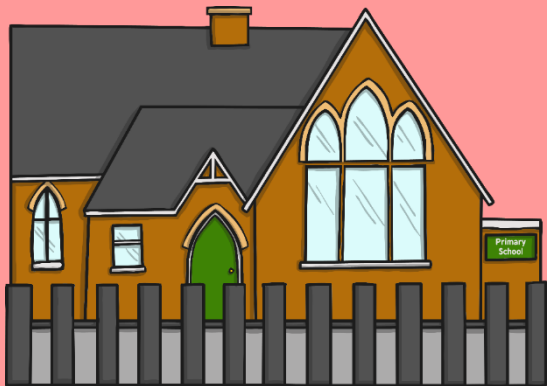
I can explain what happens at the Jewish festival of Sukkot.

I can say what people might thank God for.

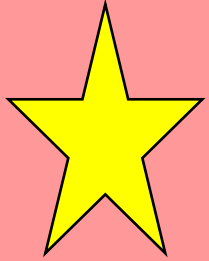
This year we are learning about Belonging.

Belonging means feeling like you fit in. It means feeling like you are in the right place.

This half term we will think about saying thank you; we will observe some of the ways we can approach puzzling ideas.



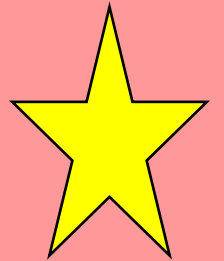
Star words



Sukkah



Harvest



Let's recap....

Last week we thought about how lots of people believe God created the world, and they are thankful for this.

TP: can you remember some of the things God created?



LQ : Can I explain how we are thankful at Harvest?

Monday 13th October 2025

Today we will be looking at different harvest festivals. This lesson is discussion based.

TP: What is happening ?

This is a picture of one kind of harvest.
Look at the pictures what do you think harvest means?

I think harvest means...





During harvest the farmers pick all of the crops (food) that has grown. This happens in the Autumn Season. People are thankful for all of the food that the farmers have grown and God has made.

Harvest Festival



The people at this church want to show how thankful they are by buying food and sharing it with other people who need it.

What do you think of this? Is this a good idea? Why?



[Pongal-The Harvest Festival of the Tamil Community \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com)

Pongal

Day 2

On this day rice, milk and turmeric are boiled as an offering. People also offer sugar cane, coconut and bananas.



Pongal is a festival celebrated in Autumn when Hindu people harvest rice, sugar cane and turmeric. The festival lasts for 4 days.



Day 3

This day is celebrated in the name of cows. For most Hindus, cows are sacred and bells and garlands are placed around their necks.



Day 4

On the final day any leftover food is set out on leaves. The women set out the food in honour of their brothers who they wish to have prosperity (money) in the next year.

Day 1

This day is in honour of Lord Indra, the God of rain. During this day everyone throws useless items from their home into a fire.



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Jewish people make Sukkahs during the Harvest festival of Sukkot.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/assemblies-ks1-ks2-sukkot/z2827yc>



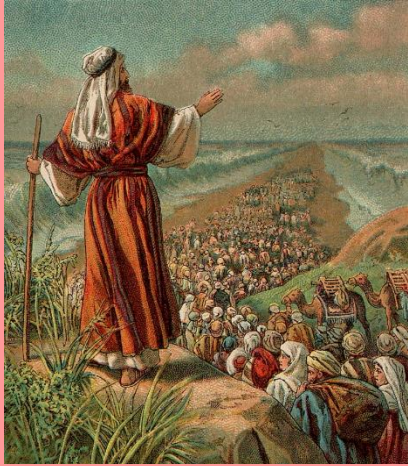
Self Assessment

Do you understand what harvest time is?



LQ : Can I explain how we are thankful at Harvest?

1. During Sukkot, Jewish people remember when God freed them from slavery in Egypt.



2. After they left Egypt, the Jewish people wandered in the desert for forty years, trying to find a place to settle. Along the way, they built temporary homes out of dry palms and branches to live in.

3. To remember this time Jewish people build a sukkah. A sukkah must have at least three walls. Walls can be made out of anything (wood, canvas, brick, metal or stone are commonly used).



They spend as much time in the Sukkah as possible. And have feasts as a celebration.



4. The roof of the sukkah must be something found from the ground, such as plants, grasses or branches. The roof shouldn't completely protect from the weather because Jewish people trust in God to protect them while staying in the sukkah.

Task

In groups you are now you are going to make a Sukkot. You are going to use leaves , sticks and maybe straws to make your Sukkot. Work in pairs or a group. https://youtu.be/6-vQDCA94qE?si=QfWEaAIBhLcajq_q

