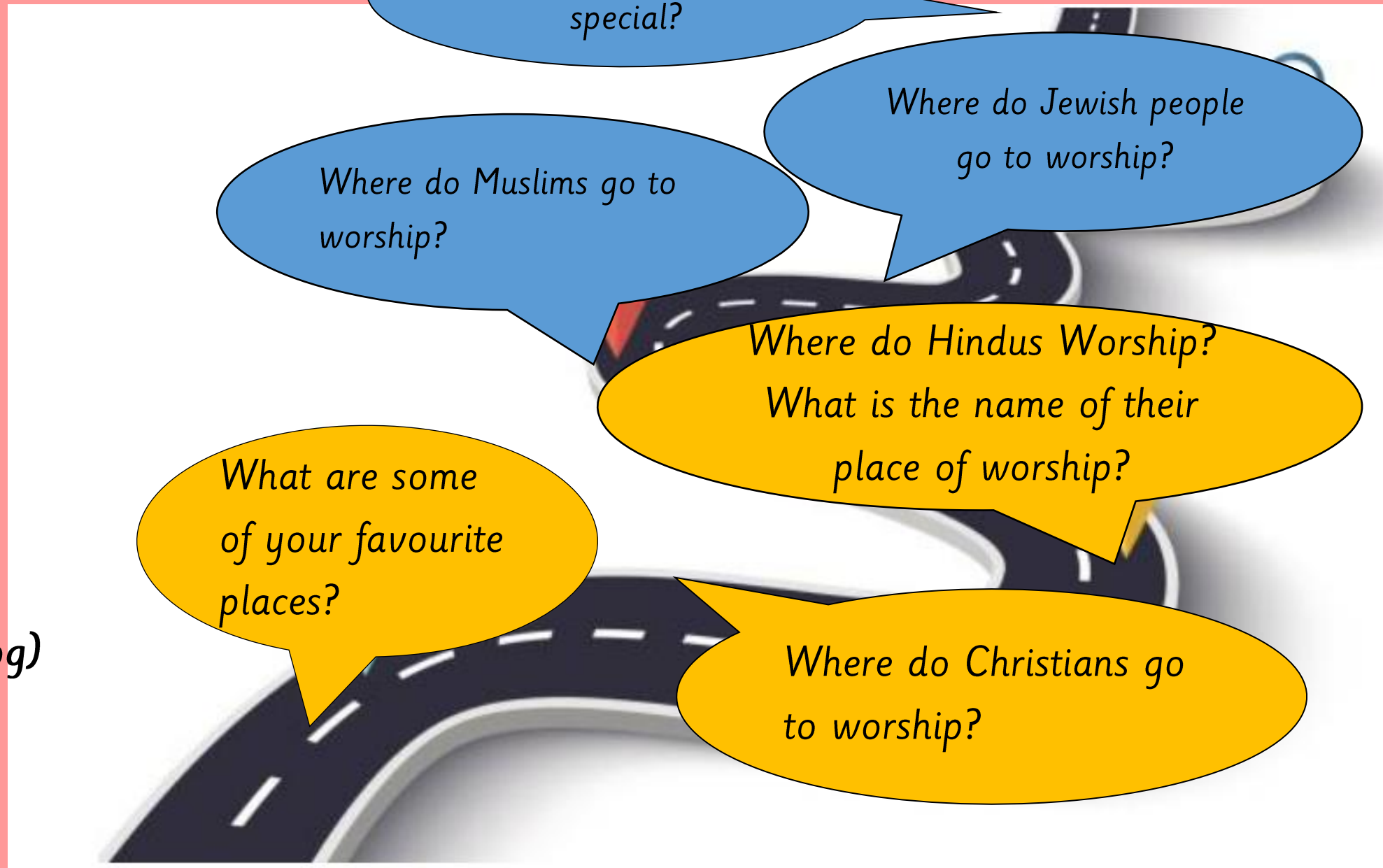
Our R.E Learning Journey

Key vocabulary:

- Altar
- Minaret (min-aret)
- Qui'blah (qib-lah)
- Ark
- Bimah (bema)
- Church
- Mandir (mun-dir)
- Synagogue (sinagog)
- Mosque



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LQ: Can I explain where Hindus go to worship?



Steps to success

I can name the place where Hindus worship.

I know what a puja tray is.

I know how to show respect in special places.

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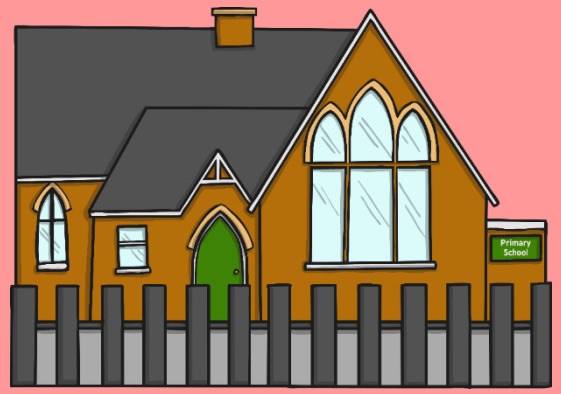
This year we are learning about Belonging.

Belonging means feeling like you fit in. It means feeling like you are in the right place.
This half term we will think about special places people go to worship God.







Star words



Puja tray
(pooja tray)



Hinduism



Hindu



Mandir
(mun-dir)

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Let's recap….

Last week we thought about churches and Christian worship.

TPs: Can you remember three things you would expect to see inside a Christian Church?

Sentence stem: I remember…



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Hindu worship

- Many people who believe in a faith, have a special place / building where they can pray and celebrate their religion.
- One place Hindus worship is called a **Mandir (mun-dir)**.
- Hindus also worship at home.
- Most Hindus have a home shrine.





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Shoe Rack

A place to store shoes before entering the Mandir. (mun-dir)



Important Features of a Hindu Mandir (mun-dir)



Main Shrine

This is the heart of the temple to represent the heart of the worshipper.

It is usually at the front of the temple.

Murtis (moorti)

A murtis is a statue of God, a god or goddess.

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Bell

Worshippers ring the bell before entering to let God know they have arrived.



Vedas

These are the ancient Hindu texts. They are kept safe in a special case.

Important Features of a Hindu Mandir **(mun-dir)**

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Aum (om)

This is the Hindu symbol. You may see this is if you ever visit a Hindu temple.

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Why do people go to a Hindu Mandir?



Worship takes place here. Hindus can attend their local **Mandir (mun-dir)** to be peaceful, pray and sing religious songs.



Each Mandir **(mun-dir)** is dedicated to a god and inside will be a **shrine** to that god.

Offerings such as flowers, fruit, water, milk, nuts or sweets are made.

Incense (a nice smelling fragrance) is burned to make the temple feel special.

During **worship** Hindus chant the names of gods and goddesses.

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Showing respect

- Before entering the Mandir **(mun-dir)** you have to wash, make sure you are wearing clean clothes and remove your shoes.



- Hindus can make offerings to the gods.



- Sometimes men and women need to worship separately.



- Bow to show respect to the gods.

Stand up and show your partner how to bow.

Self assessment

Do you understand how to show respect in a Mandir?



Vraj is going to tell us how he worships. (4 minutes)

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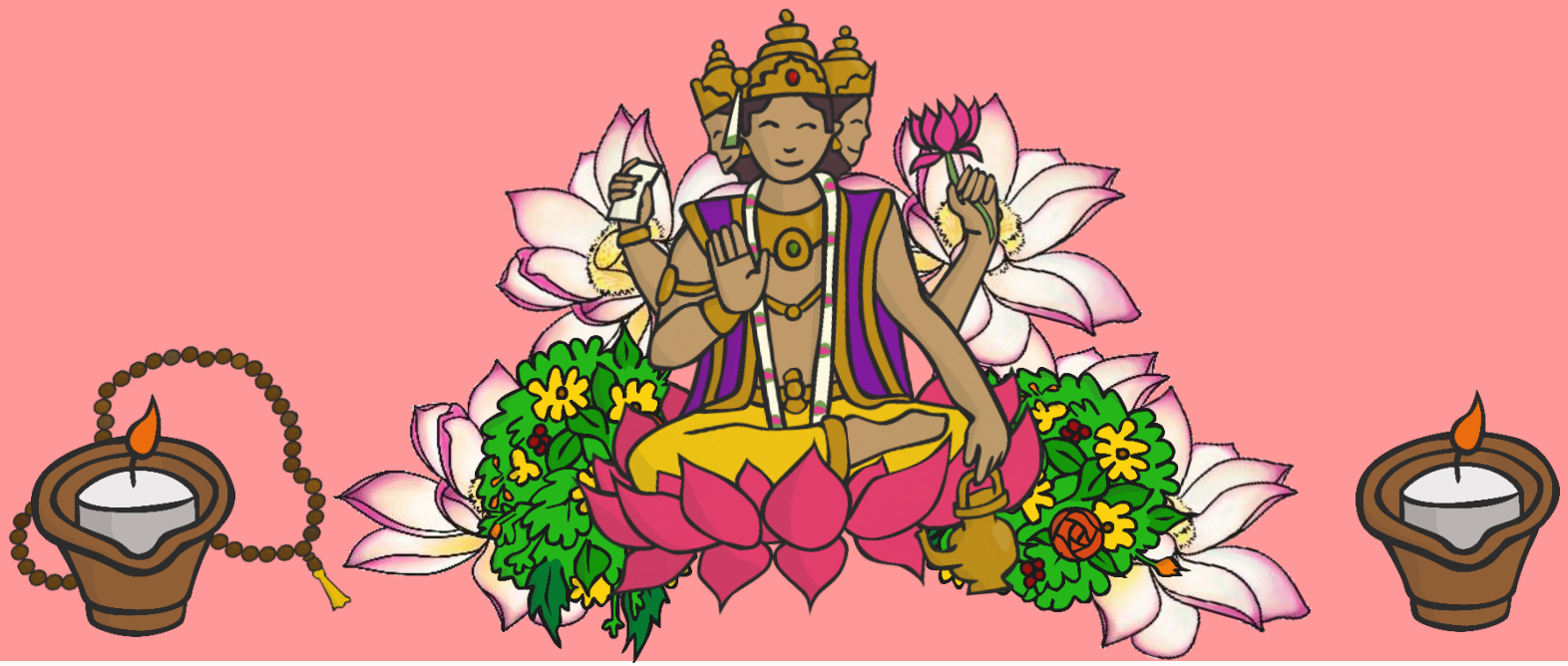

Hindus can worship at **home**. Making ***offerings*** to the gods is something that can be done at home too.

In a Hindu home there may be a shrine where offerings can be made and prayers are spoken. The shrine could be as big as a room, a small corner or a statue.

It is a way of honouring the gods and goddesses. A daily ***puja (pooja) ceremony*** *uses all* ***five of the senses.***



Bell

Hearing



Food

Taste



Murti **(mun-dir)**

Seeing



Incense and flowers

Smelling



Kum-kum powder

Touching

TPs - Which sense is used for each item on the puja tray?

Sentence Stem: You will use…

Task

In your books draw a picture and write a sentence about what you will see inside a Mandir **(mun-dir)**:

Inside a Mandir you will see a _____.













Assessment

What places make you feel you belong?

Can you talk about a special place?

Can you name some places of worship?
What do you expect to find in each place of worship?
Talk about places that are important to them and describe buildings special to each religion.

- *Can I say what happens in a place of worship?*
- *Can I suggest what I expect to see in different places of worship?*
- *Can I discuss similarities between the places of worship?*