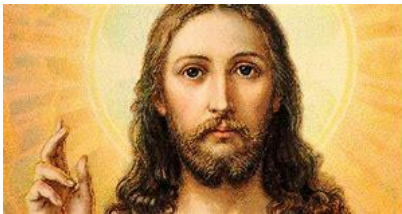


Key figures

Christians

- To Christians, Jesus is the Son of God.
- He was born in Bethlehem but lived in Nazareth. His parents were Mary and Joseph.
- Jesus was a Jew but was unhappy with how many Jews lived their lives. He preached about a God of love and forgiveness.
- He became very unpopular with the Jewish leaders and the Romans and was put to death by crucifixion. Christians believe he sacrificed himself for mankind.
- Vicars and priests lead services in Christian churches.
- Vicars are members of the Church of England, which has the Queen and the Archbishop of Canterbury as its leaders.
- Priests are members of the Catholic church, which has the Pope as its leader.



Buddhists

- The Buddha lived 2600 years ago and was a normal person, not a god.
- His actual name was Siddhartha Gautama. He lived in northern India and Nepal and was the son of a king.
- When he was 29, he left the palace and saw a sick man, an old man and a dead body. This shocked him and he realised all his wealth would not protect him from illness, old age and death.
- He sat under the Bodhi tree and meditated until he realised the truth.
- Buddhism teaches that we are driven by greed and hate. Once you realise this, you can live a life of acceptance and purity and when you die pass into a state of Nirvana, which is just a different state of existence, not heaven.
- "Buddha" means "one who is awake".



Priest



Vicar

Buddha



Key Vocabulary

crucifixion	Death by being tied or nailed to a wooden cross
sacrificed	Gave up something for others
Catholic	The original Christian faith
Church of England	The Christian faith in England begun by Henry VIII in 1534.
Nirvana	A perfect state of existence after death
Bodhi tree	A type of fig tree.
meditation	Focussing the mind to become clear in your thoughts