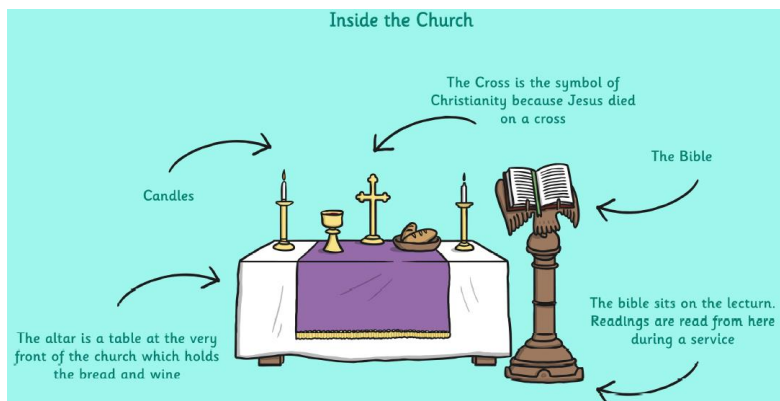


Places of worship

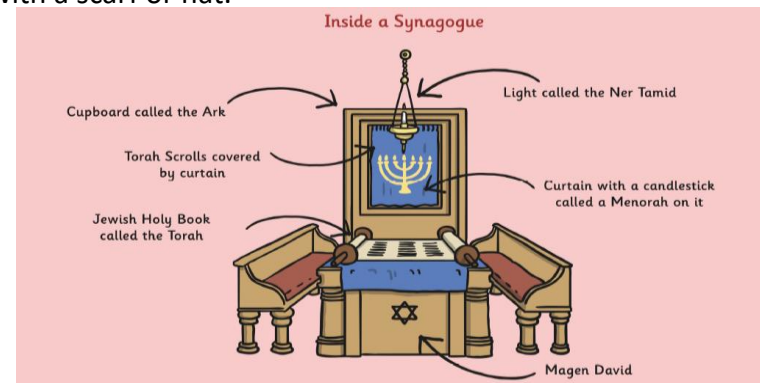
Church

- Christians worship at a church.
- People go to church to pray, worship, sing or for a wedding, baptism or funeral. Services are led by a priest or vicar.
- Christian churches all contain a cross and an altar. A bible on a lectern and candles are used for prayer. You may also see stained glass windows, a pew and an organ.



Synagogue

- Jewish people worship at a synagogue.
- Jewish people go to synagogue to worship but also to study.
- Services are led by a rabbi and are in Hebrew.
- Many synagogues and churches are community centres where people can meet up and take part in activities.
- Men cover their heads with a Kippah and women cover their hair with a scarf or hat.



Pilgrimages

Jewish people travel to the Western Wall, known as the Wailing Wall because of the prayers sung there. It is the last remaining wall of the ancient Jewish temple in Jerusalem, Israel. It is very holy and people from all over the world visit it to pray. They write short prayers on pieces of paper and put them in cracks and holes in the wall.



Key Vocabulary

altar	Table in a church
pulpit	Raised platform where leader stands
pew	Bench for worshippers to sit
Bible	Christian holy book
Vicar / priest	Leads Christian religious services
Torah	Jewish holy scroll
rabbi	Leads Jewish religious services
Ark	Place where the Torah is kept
Hebrew	The language the Torah is written in