RE Knowledge Organiser

Topic: Are Hashanah and Yom Kipier important to Jewish children?

Year 1 Summer

Strand: Judaism





What should I already know?

The Christian concept of **incarnation**: God becoming man or literally being "made flesh".

Christians believe Jesus was fully human and fully God.

God was sinless (unable to do wrong) so this would impact on how he would be in relation with people around him who were perhaps not liked, outcasts, or law-breakers.

Impact on believer / daily life

Knowing that a specific date comes round to reflect on and solve issues could help Jews to not bear grudges and help keep minor disagreements in perspective.

Reflecting on personal poor behaviour can be a difficult time

Vocabulary	
Rosh Hashanah: Jewish New Year	Jewish New Year
Yom Kippur	The Day of Atonement
Shofar:	ram's horn
Challah bread Shabbat:	Sabbath – A day of rest
Kippah	skull cap
Tenakh:	Jewish holy books

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What will I know by the end of this unit?

Rosh Hashanah is also known as the Head of the Year; it is celebrated on the first and second days of the seventh month, Tishri, and is the Jewish New Year festival.

Rosh Hashanah, itself, has several meanings including:

- Commemorating the anniversary of the creation otherwise known as the birthday of the universe.
- Being called the day of judgement and the day of remembrance by rabbis (Jewish teachers)

It is day of prayer, a time to ask for help in the year ahead and a time to remember the power of God whom they believe created the universe.

Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur known as the Day of Atonement, follows 10 days after Rosh Hashanah. These ten days from Rosh Hashanah to Yom Kippur are known as the High Holy Days and are days of repentance. Yom Kippur remembers the day Moses asked God to forgive the people of Israel for their sins.

On Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the year, God assesses a person's behaviour over the last year and this is sealed in the Book of Life.

Links with other religions

- Jesus (Christianity) Jesus was Jewish.
- Creation (Christianity) Rosh Hashanah is the birthday of the universe's creation. Both Jews and Christians believe God created the world.
- Easter (Christianity) Yom Kippur is the day of atonement (saying sorry) and fasting (giving up things). Christians give up things during Lent and say sorry for their sins. Christians believe Jesus died so their sins could be forgiven.
- Ramadan (Islam) Muslims fast for Ramadan as it allows them to feel closer to Allah (God). Fasting is also one of the Five Pillars of Islam.