



We will be thinking about...

Which times are special and why?

Why are celebrations important to religious communities?

How do people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate key festivals?

How can people celebrate the spiritual through the arts?

Key Vocabulary

Celebration	the action of celebrating an important day or event
Festivals	a day or period of celebration, typically for religious reasons.
Christmas	the annual Christian festival celebrating Christ's birth, held on 25 December
Easter	The oldest festival of the Christian Church, celebrating the resurrection of Christ and held between 21 March and 25 April.
Harvest	The process or period of gathering in crops and thanking the farmers for this.
Light	a symbol of holiness, goodness, knowledge, wisdom, grace and hope in

Misconceptions

Everyone celebrates Christmas

All celebrations are religious



Key Knowledge

Identify some ways Christians celebrate Christmas/Easter/Harvest/Pentecost and some ways a festival is celebrated in another religion.

Re-tell stories connected with Christmas in relation to the above celebrations and say why these are important to believers.

Ask questions and suggest answers about stories to do with Christian festivals and a story from a festival in another religion.

Collect examples of what people do, give, sing, remember or think about the religious celebrations studied and say why they matter to believers.

Suggest meanings for some symbols and actions used in religious celebrations including Easter and Christmas.