







# Aim

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# True or False?



### Is this statement true or false?



Christians believe in lots of different gods.

True

False



Christians believe in just one god. They believe that God created the world and all people. Christians believe God loves them and is involved in their lives.





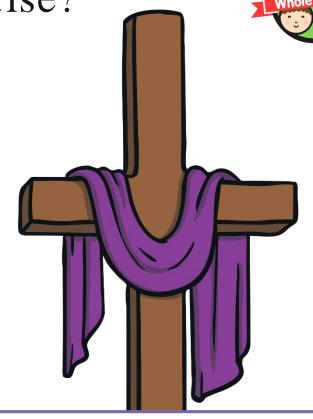


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True

False



Christians have some rules that they try to follow. These rules are about living lives that please God. But Christians also believe that if they break the rules, God will forgive them and carry on loving them.



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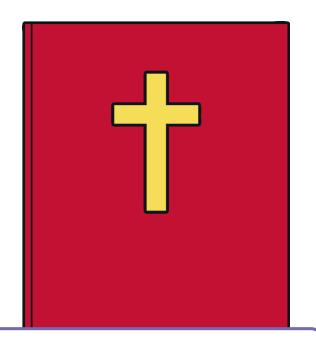




The Christian special book is called the Qu'ran.

True

False



The special book for Christians is called the Bible. It contains stories about God and people that followed Him. It also contains stories about Jesus, who Christians believe is God's son.

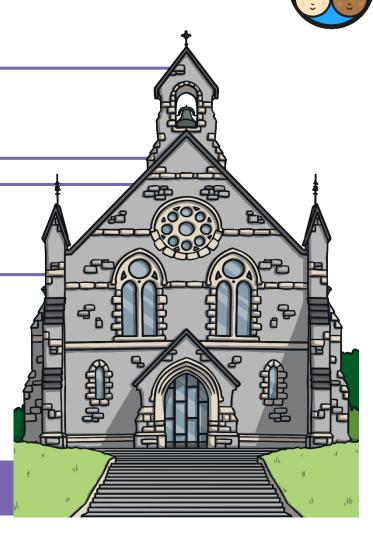


# What's in a Church?

The special place of worship for Christians is called a **church**.

What kind of things do you think you might see in a church?

Talk about your ideas with a partner.









Not all churches are the same. But there are some things you will find in most churches. Let's take a look at some of them.

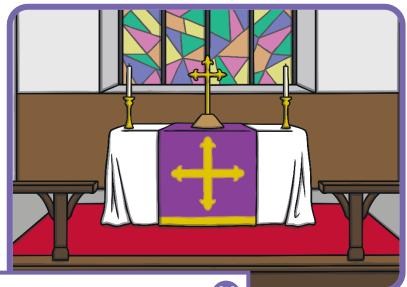






#### Altar

This is an important part of most church buildings. It is where a special ritual called Holy Communion takes place. The priest, or vicar, stands at the altar to perform Holy Communion. The people in the church gather round to take part and remember Jesus.



Think about it...

Why is the altar an important part of a church?









#### Altar

The altar is important because it is where Holy Communion takes place.

This is a special event that happens often to help Christians remember Jesus.

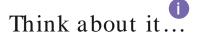






#### Font

This is often near a doorway. Fonts can be different shapes and sizes, but all fonts hold water. This water is used for baptism, a special ceremony to mark the beginning of a Christian's faith journey.



Why do you think the font is near a doorway?

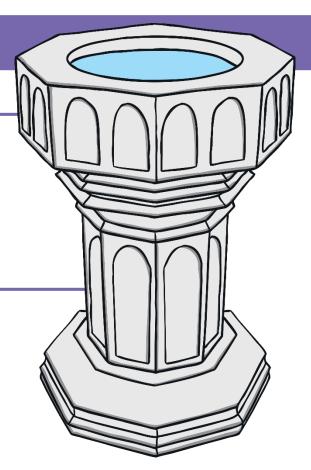






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Fonts are near the doorway as they are part of welcoming people into the Christian community, just like entering a building through a door.

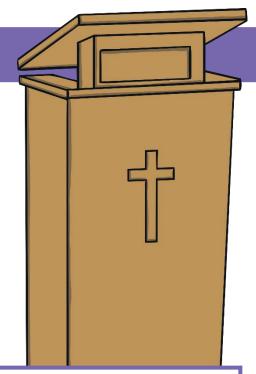






#### Lectern

This is where a copy of the Bible will sit. People in church will read sections from the Bible to help them learn about their faith.



Think about it...

Why might there be a special place for the Bible?

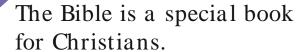








#### Lectern



Giving it a special place helps to show respect for it.



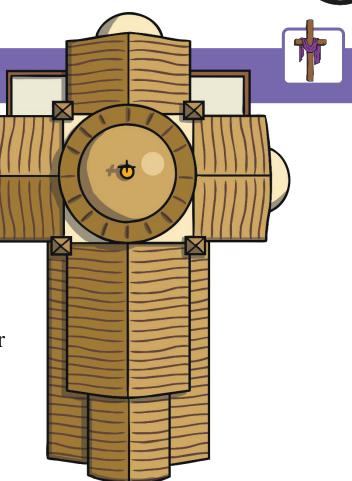




#### The Shape of the Building

Church buildings are often built in a special shape. What shape do you think it might be?

Churches are often in the shape of a cross. The cross is an important symbol for Christians. Christians believe that Jesus died on a cross to forgive them for the things they have done so that they could be closer to God.



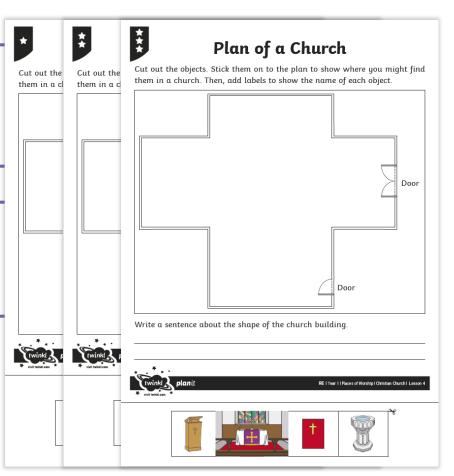


### Plan It Out



How much can you remember about the different parts of a church?

Complete the Plan of a Church Activity Sheet to show how much you have learnt.







Whole Class

What kinds of things might happen in a church?





# What Happens There?



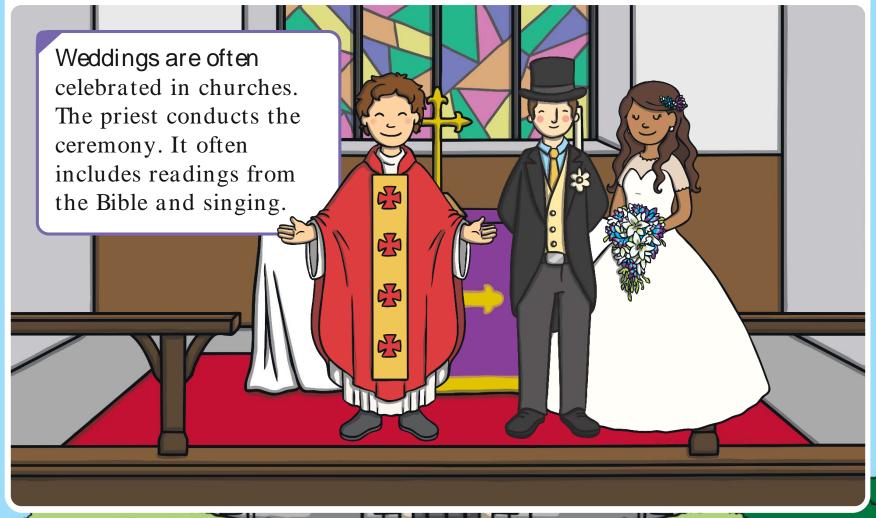
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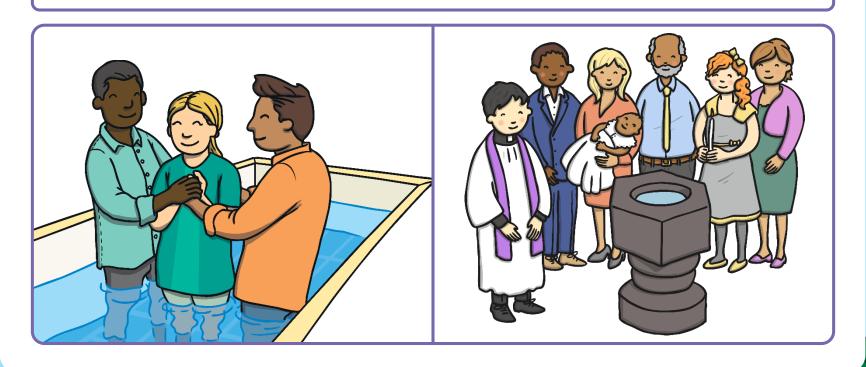




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Baptisms happen in churches. This is when people are welcomed into the church and begin their journey of faith. Sometimes this happens when people are young. Sometimes people are baptised as adults, in a larger pool of water.





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