Comparing Rituals
Aim

• To compare rituals from different religions.

Success Criteria

• I can recall key facts about religious rituals studied.
• I can discuss some key features of different rituals.
• I can compare religious rituals and say what is similar or different about them.
• I can discuss why rituals might be different between religions.
Which Ritual?

How much can you remember about the religious rituals we have been learning about?

What ritual is this?

This is the Muslim prayer ritual, **Salat**.
How much can you remember about the religious rituals we have been learning about?

What ritual is this?

This is the Hindu worship ritual, *puja*.
Which Ritual?

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This is the Christian ritual, **Holy Communion**.
Different or Similar?

Talk about these questions with a partner:

- What can you remember about the religious rituals we have learnt about?
- Is there anything similar about them?
- Is there anything different?

The rituals in different religions might have some things that are similar. They might be repetitive, have a special order to them, and have a special religious significance. But they are also different in some ways because the religious focus will be different.
Not All the Same

Religious rituals can be different between religions. A prayer ritual in Islam will be different to a prayer ritual in Christianity, for example.

But religious rituals often have these things in common:

- Worship
- Prayer
- Repetition

Click each box to find out more.
Comparing Rituals

We have learnt about some different religious rituals. How are they similar? How are they different?

Use what you have learnt to compare the religious rituals of Salat, puja and Holy Communion.

Be ready to share your findings with the class!

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- **Salat**
  - This is a Muslim prayer ritual.
  - Muslims perform Salat at a mosque, their special place of worship.

- **Puja**
  - Hindus worship their gods.
  - During this ritual, Hindus pray to God.
  - Hindus believe in the importance of prayer and worship.

- **Holy Communion**
  - The service includes a special meal to remember Jesus.
  - During this ritual, Christians remember and worship Jesus.
  - In this ritual, some body positions are repeated.

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Why Are Rituals Different?

What did you find was similar about the religious rituals?

What was different?

Why do you think religious rituals are different?

A different god, or gods, to worship.

A different religious belief.

Happen at different times.