

Progression in language, vocabulary and key ideas: a summary of a select shortlist of keywords and core concepts. This table shows how learning across the age groups develops and uses the language of religious study and of particular religions in increasing depth and complexity. The selected terminology is a brief minimum that might feature in the planning of RE and can contribute to coherent progression. Do your pupils know and use this many religious words at the appropriate age? This approach is informed by OFSTED's interest in ambitious curriculum, rich knowledge and progression in thinking and substantive knowledge.

| | Reception Curiosity+ experience | 5-7s: Exploring and discovering |
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| The general language of religious study | Religion, Special books, Special places, Special stories, Prayer | Religion, celebration, festival, symbol, thankful, faith, belief, wise sayings, rules for living, co-operation, belonging, worship, holiness, sacred. creation story |
| Christianity | Christmas, Easter, Bible, Church, Jesus | Christian, God, Creator, Christmas, Easter, Jesus, church, altar, font, Bible, gospel, Holy Spirit, baptism, Christening |
| Judaism | Moses, Passover, Torah, Synagogue, Star of David | Jewish, synagogue, Torah, bimah, Hanukkah, Ark, Judaism, shabbat, Joseph |
| Islam | Allah, Prophet Muhammad, Qur'an, Mosque | Muslim, Islam, Allah, Prophet, mosque, Eid, Qur'an, moon and star. |
| Non-religious worldviews | Non-religious | Humanist, Golden Rule, non-religious, worldview. |
| Hindu Dharma | Hindu, mandir, divali, Aum | Murtis, gods and goddesses, puja, home shrine, devotion. Ganesha |
| Sikhi | Sikh, Guru Nanak, Gurdwara, Guru Granth Sahib | Sikhi, Langar, 10 Gurus, Vaisakhi, |
| Buddhism | Buddha, shrine, temple (vihara) | Buddha, Dharma, Sangha, Wesak, Siddhartha Gautama, |

