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Key Questions

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About Aled and Siân

Aled and Siân love doing exciting things and exploring the world around them. In the *Exploring Our World* series Aled and Siân share some of their experiences with their Christian, Hindu, Jewish and Muslim friends. Aled and Siân also enjoy listening to their friends' stories, and learn about how these relate to their own. This helps the friends get to know one another better.

The series takes seriously the social significance of religion and is based on extensive research into how children learn about themselves, others and the world in which they live.

To support this storybook series, there is a large range of free downloadable resources for children and teachers available at hwb.wales.gov.uk/Resources and st-marys-centre.org.uk

The storybooks and activities are devised for 3- to 5-year-olds and 5- to 7-year-olds, but the downloadable resources make the series relevant for younger and older children too.

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3- to -5-year-olds
Celebrations
Myself and Others
Times and Seasons

5- to -7-year-olds
Journeys
Special People
Signs and Symbols

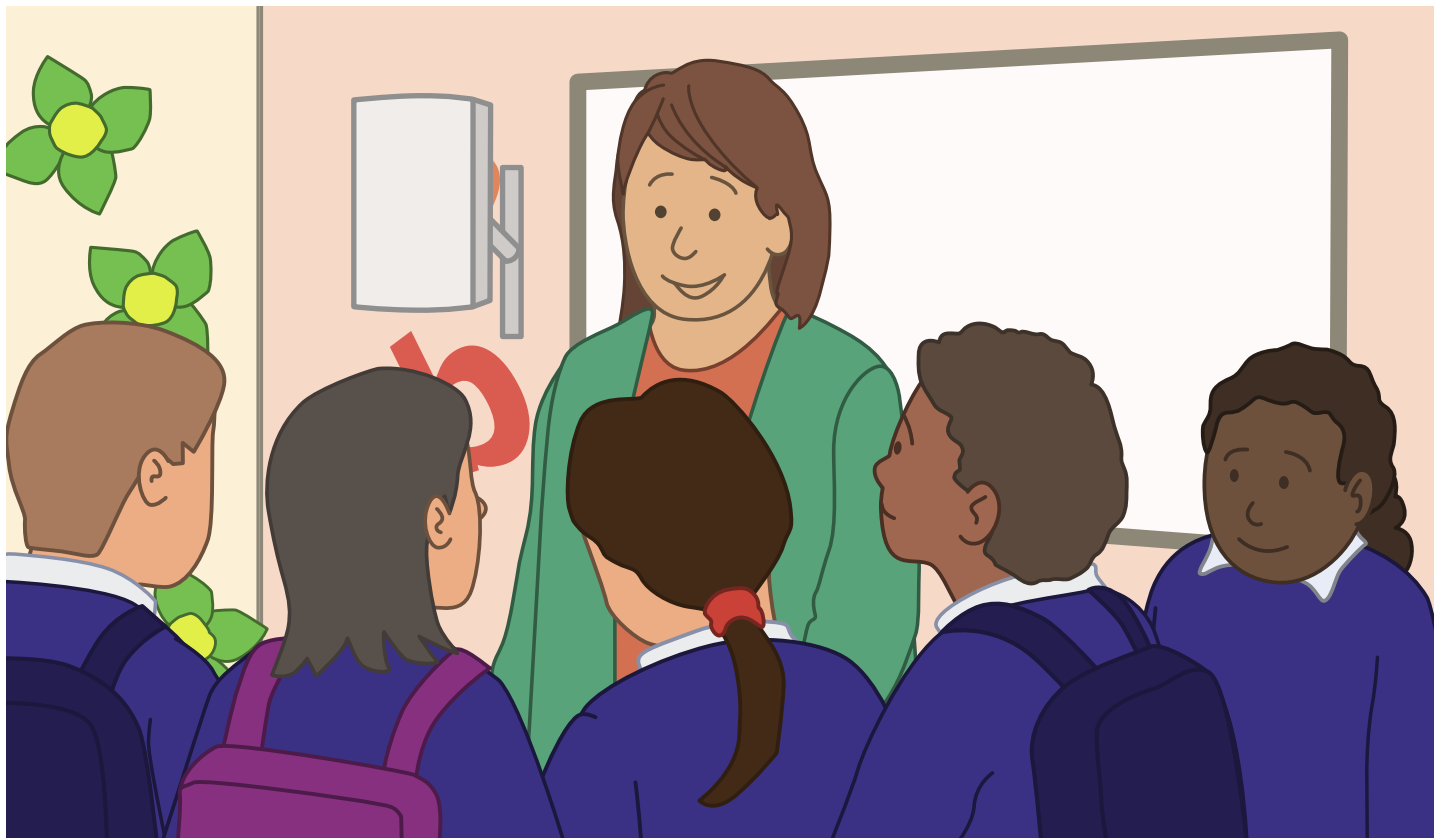




Can you remember your first day at school?



What does the school look like?



What is the teacher wearing?



How many people can you see?



What are they doing in the school?



What does the church look like?



What is the vicar wearing?



How many people can you see?



What are they doing in the church?



What does the synagogue look like?



What is the rabbi wearing?



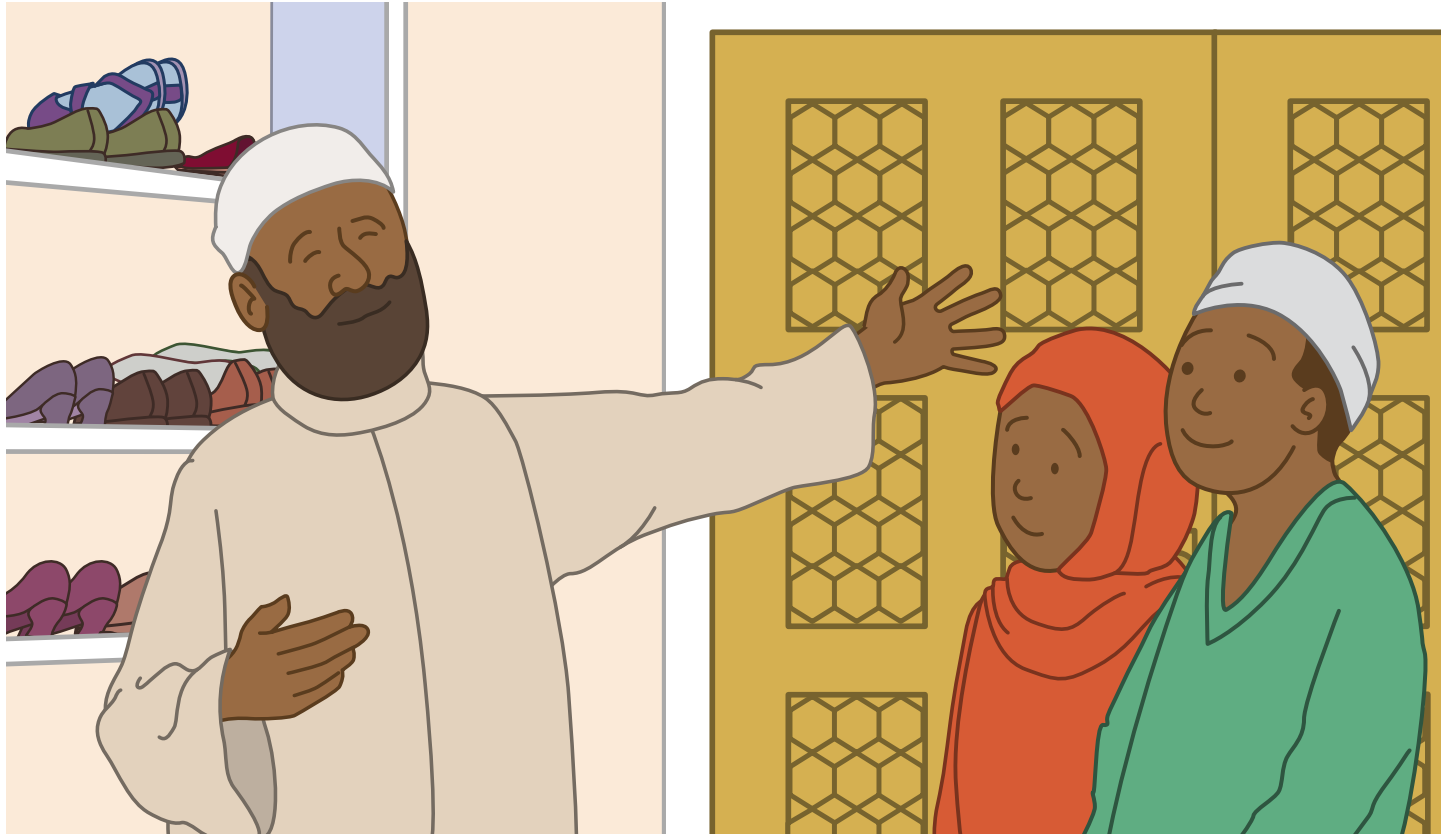
How many people can you see?



What are they doing in the synagogue?



What does the mosque look like?



What is the imam wearing?



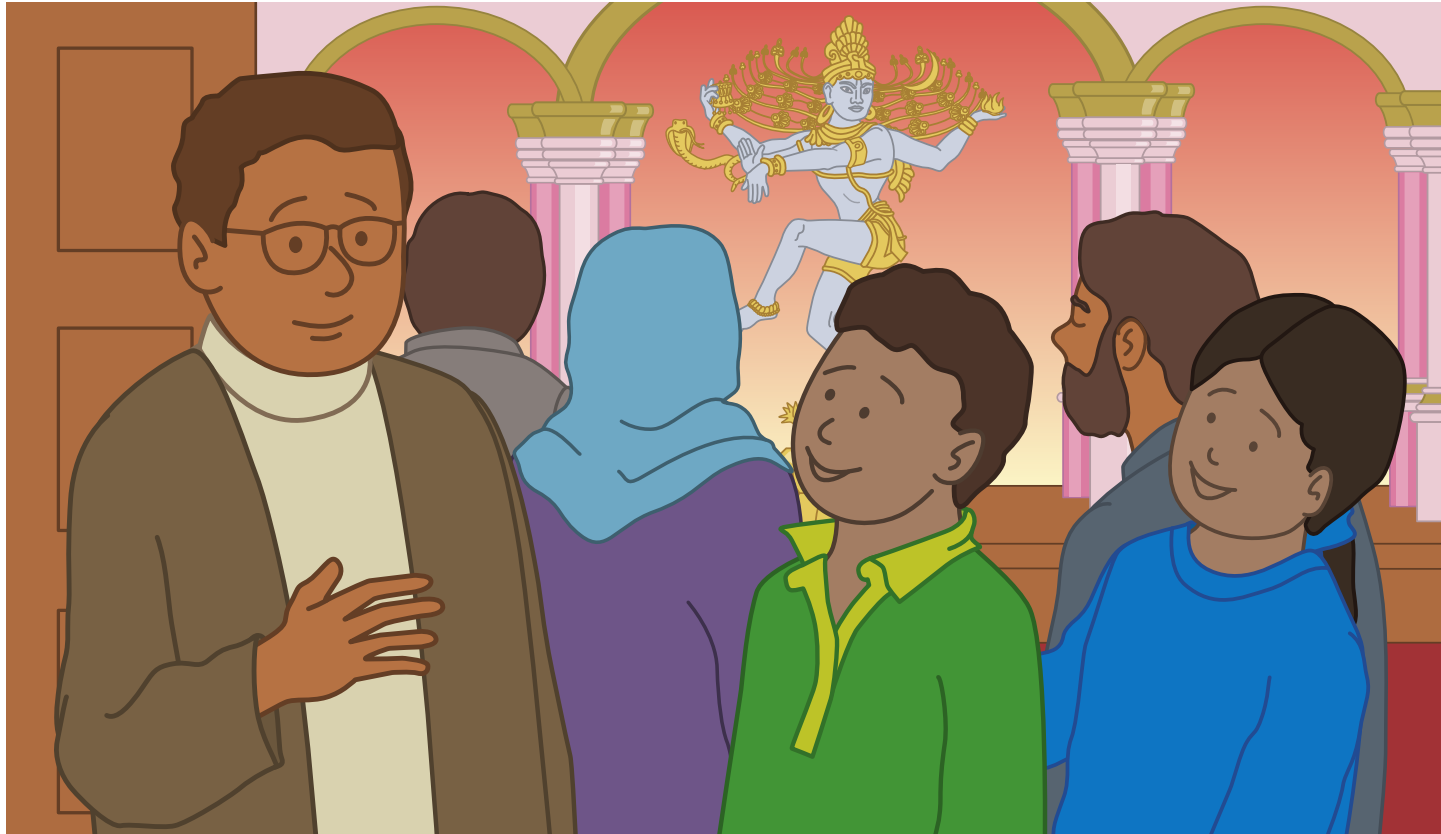
How many people can you see?



What are they doing in the mosque?



What does the temple look like?



What is the priest wearing?



How many people can you see?



What are they doing in the temple?



How many children are there in your school family?



Do you know anyone who belongs to families in the church, synagogue, mosque or temple?



Do you want to share your own story?

Aled and Siân are exploring special journeys and they visit an old railway station. When they return, Aled and Siân tell their friends all about their day out and they listen to their friends' stories too. As the stories unfold, Aled and Siân begin to see how the religions of the world affect their friends' lives.



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