



How do Christians celebrate Harvest?

RE
Year 3
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Overview

Harvest is when we think about where our food comes from. It is a time to thank God for his provision and also be aware that food is harvested all around the world and that we usually have plenty but others do not. The harvest is mentioned many times in the Bible particularly in the Old Testament. In Genesis, after the flood God promised Noah that there will always be a time for planting and harvesting. During this unit, pupils will explore Bible stories about Harvest and analyse the content of modern Church Harvest services. They will also investigate how Harvest is celebrated around the world today and learn about the Jewish festival of Sukkot.



Questions I wonder about
Harvest:

Enquiry skills and concepts:

In this unit, the pupils will:

- **Investigate** - ask relevant questions; know how to use different types of sources as a way of gathering information; know what may constitute evidence for understanding religions
- **Analyse** - distinguish between opinion, belief and fact
- **Interpret** - draw meaning from music, works of art, poetry and symbolism; suggest meanings of religious texts.
- **Reflect** - on feelings, relationships, experience, ultimate questions, beliefs and practices

Topic Vocabulary

festival: *a time of celebration*

food: *a nutritious substance that people or animals eat or that plants absorb for life and growth*

Harvest: *pick, gather or collect crops*

Old Testament: *the first part of the Christian Bible, comprising thirty-nine books*

Sukkot: *Jewish Harvest festival*

thankfulness: *feeling or expression of gratitude or appreciation*

Religious vocabulary

celebration: *the action of celebrating an important day or event*

church: *a building used for Christian worship*

God: *the creator and ruler of the World*

Jesus: *the Son of God*