

This term we will be focusing on two religions. We will start by looking at Judaism, focusing on why synagogues are important to Jews.

We will then move onto Christianity, focusing on why Christians celebrate harvest.

Key vocabulary:

Jews	These are people who follow the religion of Judaism.
Synagogue	This is where Jews go to worship.
Ark	This is a cupboard where the Torah scrolls are kept.
Bimah	A raised platform where most of the service takes place from. The Torah is read from here.
Eternal light	There is a light above the ark. Its name comes from a verse in the Torah which says an eternal flame should burn in the temple all the time.

Judaism



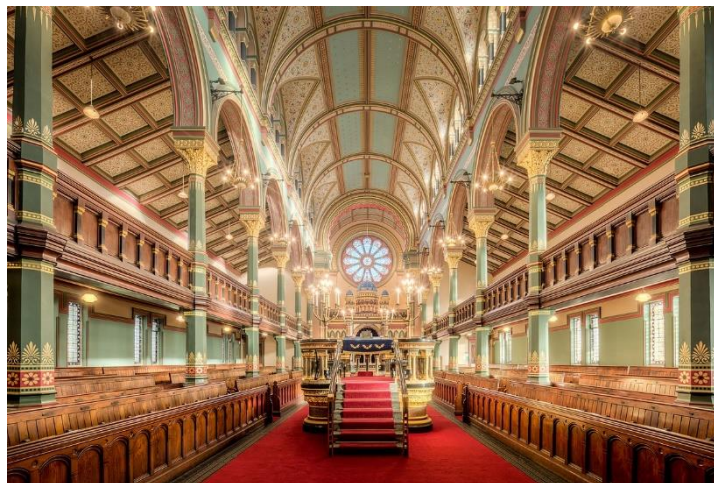
Christianity



Key vocabulary:

Jesus	In Christianity, Jesus is believed to be the son of God.
Christians	These are people who follow the religion of Christianity.
Bible	The bible is the holy book for Christianity. It is split into two sections: the Old Testament and the New Testament.
Harvest	The gathering of crops.
Crops	A large group of plants, like fruit and vegetables.
Harvest festival	A Christian celebration of the food grown on the land. Christians thank God for the land and food.
Autumn	This is the season that harvest takes place in.
Annual	It happens every year.

Here is an example of a Synagogue →



Key questions:

Can you think of one thing that is similar and one thing that is different about Judaism and Christianity?

Why are Synagogues so important to Jews?

Why do Christians celebrate Harvest?