



Forming questions

Encourage pupils to be curious!

Teachers may wish to use this list of question starters / prompts to support pupils in framing their questions for research

- Why was...?
- What was..... *e.g. ...on his head? the boss man called in....?*
- Why do they have... *e.g. ...candles?*
- Why did she say *e.g... it gave her comfort...?*
- What goes on in/at *church/ mosque/ synagogue? ...Christmas/ Passover?*
- I wonder what *e.g.... kind of music they have? .. what sort of food Jews/ Muslims/ Christians eat?*
- Does everyone..... *e.g...pray?...wear special clothes?*
- What do people say/do... *e.g. when they pray? ...when they attend their place of worship?*
- Why do churches / mosques / synagogues have..... *bells? ...a tower? .. a star?*
- Why do people *e.g...get on the floor to pray? ...stand up to sing? ... make the sign of the cross?*
- What is... *e.g praying?worshipping?believing? ... faith?*
- In the church/ mosque/ synagogue there is an ... *aisle, cross, I wonder what the other ones have?*
- I want to know more about... *art, music, dress, food, books, people, jewellery, statues, objects, journeys. Festivals, stories, gamesin religion*