



**UNDERSTANDING  
CHRISTIANITY**  
TEXT IMPACT CONNECTIONS

**TEACHER'S HANDBOOK**

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# 8 core concepts

- God
- Creation
- Fall
- People of God
- Incarnation
- Gospel
- Salvation
- Kingdom of God



1. GOD



2. CREATION



3. FALL



4. PEOPLE OF GOD



5. INCARNATION



6. GOSPEL

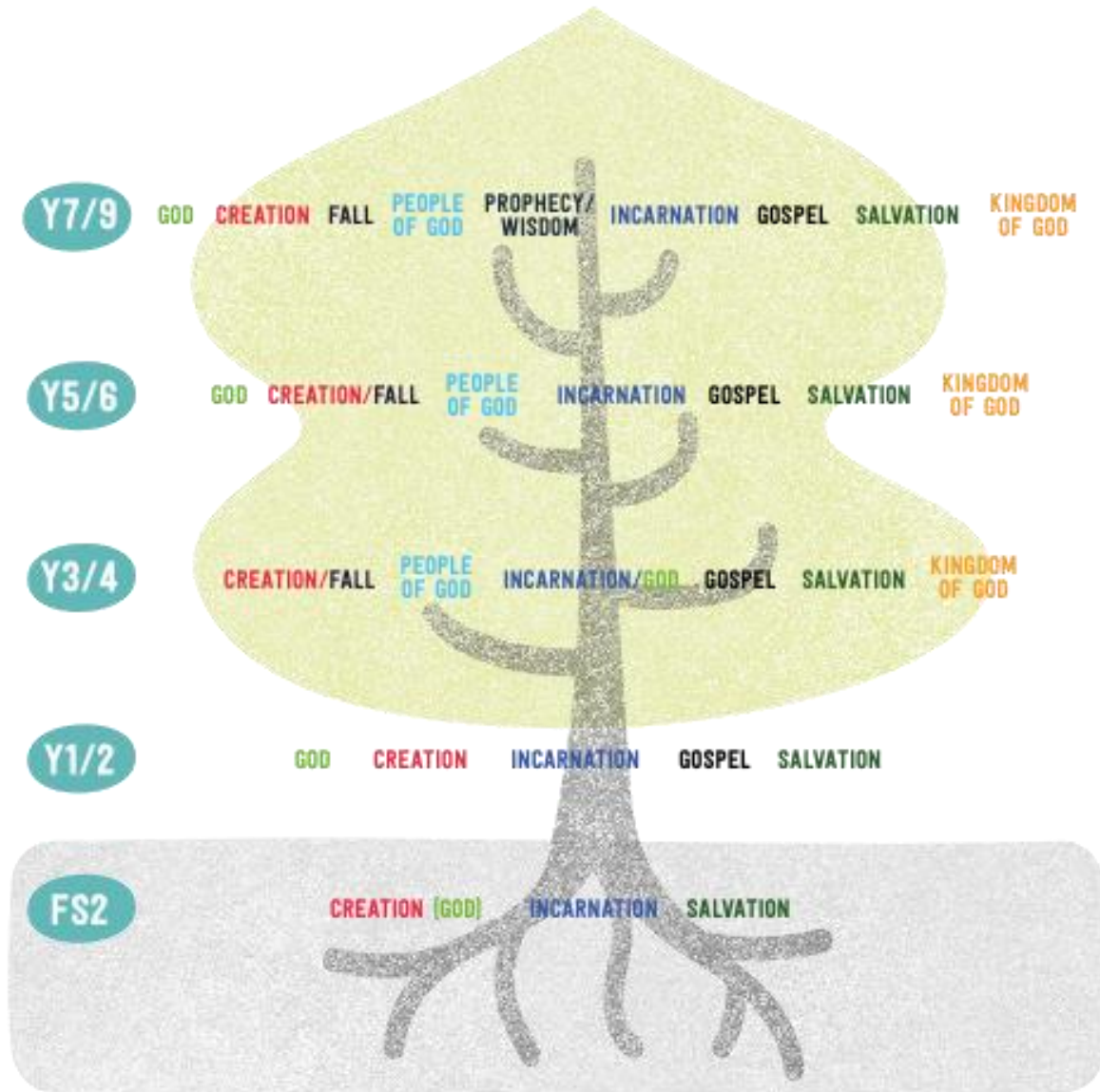


7. SALVATION

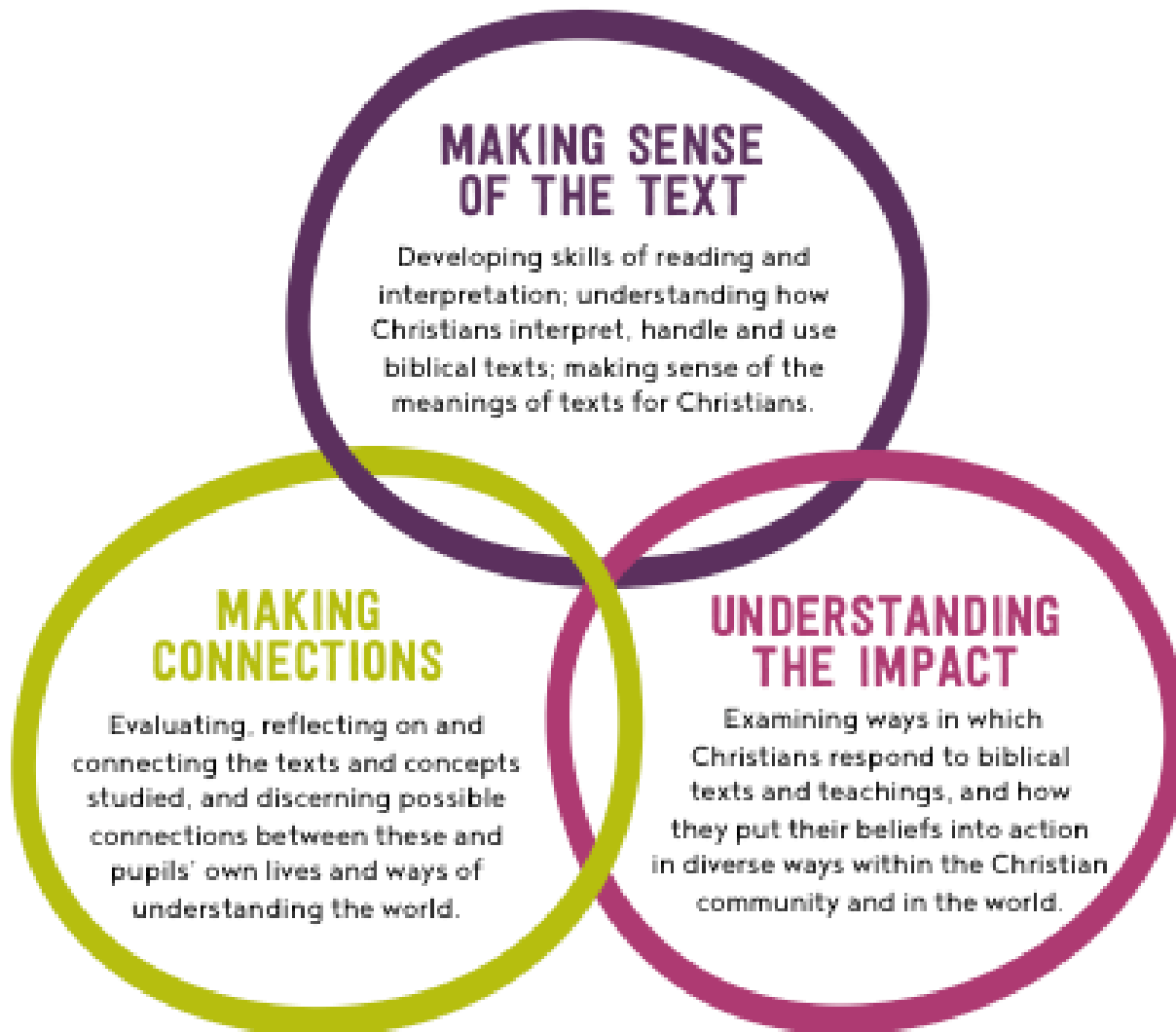


8. KINGDOM OF GOD

# CORE KNOWLEDGE



# ELEMENTS OF THE APPROACH



# How could UC units work within the Discovery RE programme: an example overview



## Overview Years F1/2 to Year 6

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
F1/2	<p><b>Theme:</b> Special People</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What makes people special?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity, Judaism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Incarnation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Celebrations</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How do people celebrate?</p> <p><b>Religions:</b> Islam, Judaism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Salvation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Why do Christians put a cross in an Easter garden?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Stories</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What can we learn from stories?</p> <p><b>Religions:</b> Buddhism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism</p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Special Places</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What makes places special?</p> <p><b>Religions:</b> Christianity, Islam, Judaism</p>
1	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Creation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Who made the world?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Incarnation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Why does Christmas matter to Christians?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Jesus as a friend</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Was it always easy for Jesus to show friendship?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Salvation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Why does Easter matter to Christians?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Shabbat</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Is Shabbat important to Jewish children?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p>
2	<p><b>Theme:</b> What did Jesus teach?</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Is it possible to be kind to everyone all of the time?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Gospel</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the good news that Jesus brings?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Passover</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p> <p><b>Theme:</b> Prayer at home</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Does praying at regular intervals every day help a Muslim in his/her everyday life?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Islam</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> God</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What do Christians believe God is like?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> The Covenant</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How special is the relationship Jews have with God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p> <p><b>Theme:</b> Community and Belonging</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Does going to the Mosque give Muslims a sense of belonging?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Islam</p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Rites of Passage and good works</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p> <p><b>Theme:</b> Hajj</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Does completing Hajj make a person a better Muslim?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Islam</p>

3	<p><b>Theme:</b> Diwali</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Would celebrating Diwali at home and in the community bring a feeling of belonging to a Hindu child?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Hinduism</p> <p><b>*Theme:</b> The Amrit Ceremony and the Khalsa</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Sikhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Incarnation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is Trinity?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Creation/Fall</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What do Christians learn from the creation story?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Salvation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Hindu Beliefs</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Hinduism</p> <p><b>*Theme:</b> Sharing and Community</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Do Sikhs think it is important to share?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Sikhism</p>	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Pilgrimage to the River Ganges</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Would visiting the River Ganges feel special to a non-Hindu?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Hinduism</p> <p><b>*Theme:</b> Prayer and Worship</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Sikhism</p>
	<p><b>Theme:</b> Beliefs and Practices</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How special is the relationship Jews have with God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p> <p><b>Theme:</b> Buddha's teachings</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Is it possible for everyone to be happy?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Buddhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> People of God</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is it like (for Christians) to follow God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Passover</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How important is it for Jewish people to do what God asks them to do?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p> <p><b>Theme:</b> The 8-fold path</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Can the Buddha's teachings make the world a better place?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Buddhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Easter</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Rites of Passage and good works</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Judaism</p> <p><b>Theme:</b> The 8-fold path</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Buddhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Kingdom of God</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> When Jesus left, what was the impact of Pentecost?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>

5	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Belief into action</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How far would a Sikh go for his/ her religion?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Sikhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Incarnation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Was Jesus the Messiah?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Beliefs and moral values</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Are Sikh stories important today?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Sikhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Salvation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What do Christians believe (What did Jesus do to save Human Beings)?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Prayer and Worship</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Sikhism</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> God</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What does it mean (for Christians) if God is holy and loving?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>
	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Prayer and Worship</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Hinduism</p>	<p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Hindu Beliefs</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How can Brahman be everywhere and in everything?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Hinduism</p>	<p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>*Theme:</b> Beliefs and moral values</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Do beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha help Hindus lead good lives?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Hinduism</p>	<p><b>UC</b></p>
6	<p><b>Theme:</b> Beliefs and Practices</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Islam</p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Christmas</p> <p><b>Concept:</b> Incarnation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC Concept:</b> Gospel</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Creation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>	<p><b>UC Concept:</b> Salvation</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> What difference does the resurrection make for Christians?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p>	<p><b>Theme:</b> Beliefs and moral values</p> <p><b>Key Question:</b> Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Islam</p> <p><i>NB: This enquiry is taught in 2 sections over the term</i></p>	
		<p><b>Key Question:</b> What would Jesus do?</p> <p><b>Religion:</b> Christianity</p> <p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>UC</b></p>	<p><b>UC</b></p>		