



RITUALS

PART 1

Here is a list of the words we will come across during our 'ritual' learning:

Rituals

Rites of passage

Baptism

Christenings

Upanayana

Sacred thread ceremony

Do you know what any of these words mean?



What is a ritual?

What ideas or experiences have you had with the concept of 'rituals'?

A ritual is a set form for
going through the steps of a
religious ceremony.

What do you think about this definition?
Do you think it is right?
Do you disagree?

Can you think of any rituals we have in school?

For example:

Our Learners of the Week

- Day-to-day rituals - what do you do the same/same order each day/each week? E.g.: Assembly
- Which family rituals do you have, e.g. concerning birthdays, meal times etc.
Is it important to do things the same way each time? Why?
- Which rituals are there outside the home that you have experienced. E.g. clubs.
e.g. Brownies, Cubs, Polish School, Dance, Sunday School etc

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As we do this, think about:

How do you think a Christian would feel if they were not able to perform the ritual, or it had to be done a different way for some reason?

What difference would that make?

Christian Ritual: Ashing at Lent



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQO4WHzhCcl>

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Now you've seen the video, answer these questions.

How do you think a Christian would feel if they were not able to perform the ritual, or it had to be done a different way for some reason?

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Your turn:

Explain what Ash Wednesday is, the ritual involved and why Christians do this.

Choose how you would like to do this:

Option 1: Create a poster, which includes the detail you need to explain

Option 2: Write a paragraph explaining

Option 3: Record yourself explaining your understanding