

Prayer Spaces in Schools

Learning from a prayer space

KS2 Lesson 1 of 4

What is prayer?

Learning opportunities for 7-11s on themes about prayer and reflection.

Prayer Spaces in Schools create extraordinary opportunities for children and young people to think about prayer and to consider spirituality in open-minded experiential ways.

This lesson is one of a series written by Lat Blaylock of RE Today and provided free to schools to enable learners to use critical and reflective thinking skills to learn about spirituality, prayer and reflection.

Printable classroom materials

These pupil quotes go with Slide 9, 'Expressing your own viewpoints'



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“In my prayers, I’d ask: what is the meaning of life? What do you look like? Is there an afterlife? Is Satan your evil twin or something? What if half my life is good and half is bad – will I go to heaven?”

Male, 10

“I pray every night before I go to sleep. I find it's the least I can do for him after all that he has done for me.”

Female, 12

“Dear God, how can you be everywhere at once? How can you be so loving and caring when people are doing wrong? What would you do if everything went wrong and the world did not communicate?”

Female, 10

“I would like to say thank you to God for putting me on this planet and giving me the things that I have. When I pray it makes me feel good because I'm am talking to Him and he is giving me good advice. I would like to ask: ‘what is heaven like?’”

Female, 9

“Prayer make me feel happy and sad because if you pray to God and say God will you make sure my dog is alright in heaven, it makes you think up sad memories but if you say to God thank you for sparing my dog's life it makes you happy.”

Male, 11

“If I could talk to God! Well I would ask God to kill every disease in the world and I would love him with all my soul. I would pray ‘Please help other people to be nice’. I’d ask: What is it like in heaven?”

Male, 7

“I would like to ask God: why do you do pollution? Why do you let people throw litter? Why do you let people smoke and take drugs? Are my relatives in heaven with you? I think people should get on with each other. I’d ask God to help.”

Male, 10

“Prayer makes me feel safe and as if I have done my duty, and God can share wisdom with me. I would like to say to God: ‘why is there war and hatred in the world? Is there any way you can stop it? Do you hear me when I pray?’ I would like to tell him how much I look up to him and how much I believe that he watches over me and looks after me.”

Female, 10

"I would ask God why he's letting people fight and die in the world but I would tell him that if he knows better than me to keep looking after the world how he thinks is best. I would ask God if he ever gets tired because he watches everybody all of the time. Thank you God for my life, for my family and friends. What can I do to make your world a better place to live?"

Female, 14

