

THE BIBLE

KEY QUESTIONS:

- What is the **BIBLE**?
- Why is it important to Christians?

KEYWORDS

BIBLE
OLD TESTAMENT
NEW TESTAMENT

INTRODUCTION

In this project we will find out about the **BIBLE**. We will look at how it is structured, before focusing on why it's so important to Christians.

As we move along, answer the questions and complete the tasks, either on paper or on your computer/laptop.

CONSIDER

1. Do you have a favourite book? Why do you like it? What makes it so special?

A good book can entertain you, firing up your imagination as you read about exciting stories of adventures in faraway lands. It might even have poetry. A good book often teaches us things.

The **BIBLE** contains all of these things, and more!



2. THE BIBLE: A SACRED BOOK THAT CHRISTIANS READ

A Christian's favourite book is the **BIBLE**. It's probably the most famous book in the world. It's certainly the best-selling - it's been translated into 698 languages. It's clear that people around the world love reading it.

But what kind of book is it?

TASK

Watch this video to find out a little more about the **BIBLE**, then answer the following questions:

<http://request.org.uk/restart/2020/03/30/biblequest/>

- a. How many books of the **BIBLE** are there?
- b. How many authors are there?
- c. What are the different types of writing are in it?
- d. Finish this sentence: The key message of the **BIBLE** is that...
- e. Explain what's in the **OLD TESTAMENT**
- f. Explain what's in the **NEW TESTAMENT**



3. WHY IS THE BIBLE SO IMPORTANT TO CHRISTIANS?

There is a really important reason Christians love reading the **BIBLE**. They often call the **BIBLE** 'God's Word'. Through reading it they believe that God speaks to them today. Imagine reading a book and getting a message from God - how special is that?

They read the **BIBLE** and it helps them to understand what God is like and how to live their lives. They also find comfort in the words.

WATCH

Watch this video to find out a bit more about why Christians love reading the **BIBLE**:

<http://request.org.uk/bible/introduction-to-the-bible/how-do-christians-use-the-bible/>

Now, we're going to look at a famous story from the **BIBLE** and see what Christians can learn from it.

Watch this video to learn the story of Moses:

<http://request.org.uk/restart/2020/03/26/bible-quest-moses/>

TASK

Imagine you are Moses' brother, Aaron.

You've been a part of everything that has happened to Moses, the Israelites and the people of Egypt.

Retell the story in your own words, as if it has just happened.

SUCCESS CRITERIA

- Write in the first person – use 'I' as your personal pronoun
- Explain at least 3 things that happened to Moses
- Explain the most surprising thing that happened

4. The following is some writing from the **BIBLE**.

²⁵He made the wheels of their chariots get stuck, so that they moved with great difficulty. The Egyptians said, "The Lord is fighting for the Israelites against us. Let's get out of here!"

²⁶The Lord said to Moses, "Hold out your hand over the sea, and the water will come back over the Egyptians and their chariots and drivers." ²⁷So Moses held out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the water returned to its normal level. The Egyptians tried to escape from the water, but the Lord threw them into the sea. ²⁸The water returned and covered the chariots, the drivers, and all the Egyptian army that had followed the Israelites into the sea; not one of them was left. ²⁹But the Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground, with walls of water on both sides.

³⁰On that day the Lord saved the people of Israel from the Egyptians, and the Israelites saw them lying dead on the seashore. ³¹When the Israelites saw the great power with which the Lord had defeated the Egyptians, they stood in awe of the Lord; and they had faith in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Exodus 14:25-31

Read the passage above. It's an extract from the **BIBLE**, which tells of what happens to the Egyptians when they tried to capture Moses and the Israelites.

TASK

- How did the Israelites feel about the Lord (God) when they saw how He had saved them?
- Explain what Christians can learn about God from this extract.
- How can Christians apply what they read here to their own lives?



5. Design a theme park around your learning on the **BIBLE**.

TASK

Take a look at the example theme park map to get some ideas on how to set it out.

Visit <http://request.org.uk/restart> to find some more cartoon **BIBLE** stories and include ideas from them in your theme park.

You can find an example theme park map here:

<https://www.thorpepark.com/plan-your-visit/resort-information/map/>

**SUCCESS CRITERIA**

Your theme park should have:

- At least 2 different areas with names connected to your learning
- At least 5 rides with names connected to your learning
- Food booths
- Keywords
- Lots of colour
- A strong name, connected to your learning

EXTENSION ACTIVITY

Visit <http://request.org.uk/restart> and choose another Bible Quest video to watch.

Explain how the story might help a Christian. What does it show them about God?

