

# Signs and Symbols



Key Questions

*Exploring Our World*

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## About Aled and Siân

Aled and Siân love doing exciting things and exploring the world around them. In the *Exploring Our World* series Aled and Siân share some of their experiences with their Christian, Hindu, Jewish and Muslim friends. Aled and Siân also enjoy listening to their friends' stories, and learn about how these relate to their own. This helps the friends get to know one another better.

The series takes seriously the social significance of religion and is based on extensive research into how children learn about themselves, others and the world in which they live.

To support this storybook series, there is a large range of free downloadable resources for children and teachers available at [hwb.wales.gov.uk/Resources](http://hwb.wales.gov.uk/Resources) and [st-marys-centre.org.uk](http://st-marys-centre.org.uk)

The storybooks and activities are devised for 3- to 5-year-olds and 5- to 7-year-olds, but the downloadable resources make the series relevant for younger and older children too.

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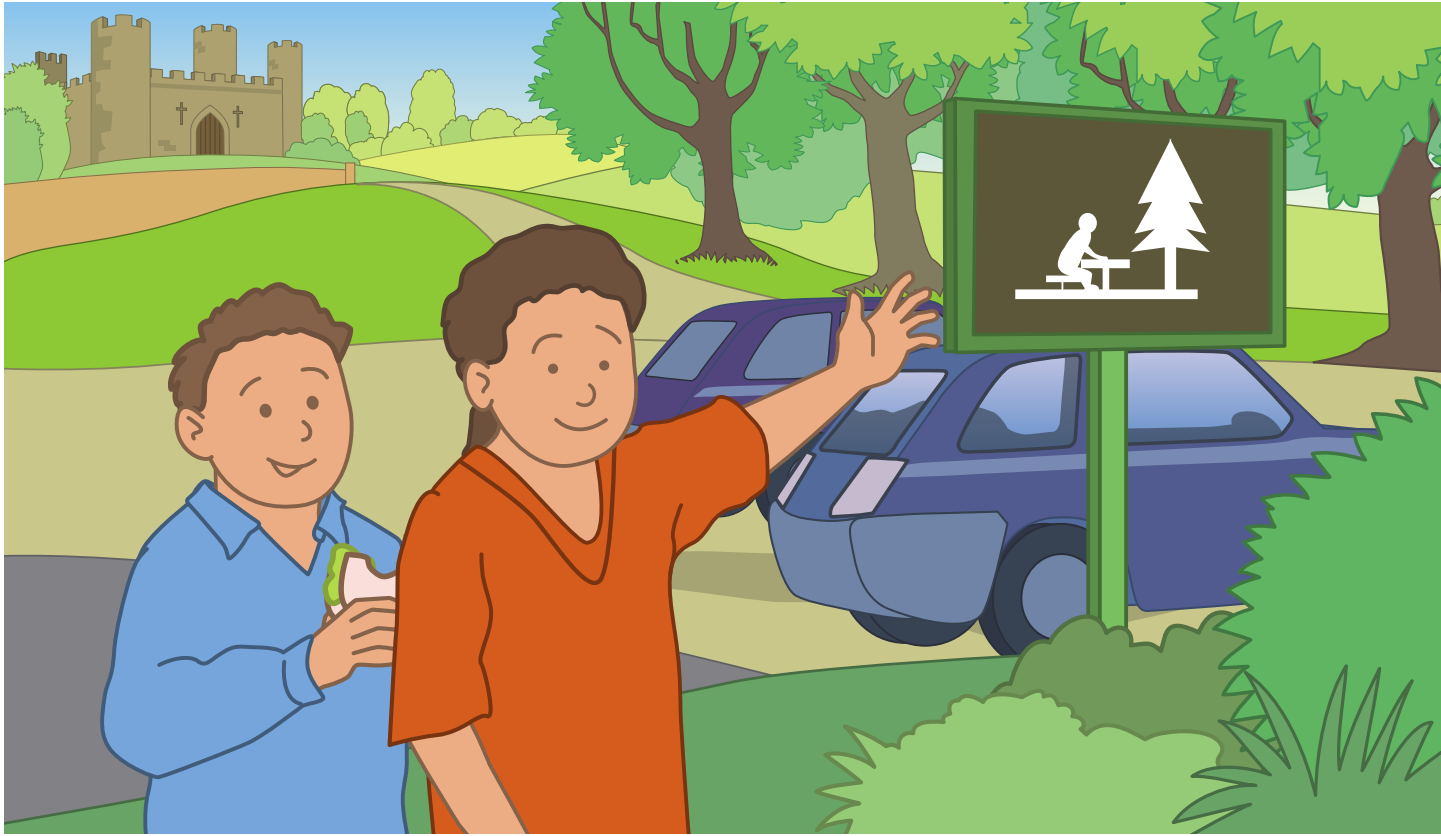
How do Aled and Siân find the castle?



What are the signs that tell you who looks after the castle?



What are the signs that tell you about dangers on the road?



What are the signs that tell you where to have lunch?



What do you think Aled and Siân are telling their friends about their visit to the castle?





How do Peter and Mary find the church?



What are the signs that tell you who looks after the church?



What are the signs that tell you Christians are baptized in water?



What are the signs that tell you Christians share communion together?



How do Nathan and Rachel find the synagogue?



What are the signs that tell you who looks after the synagogue?



What are the signs that tell you Jews remember the crossing of the Red Sea?



What are the signs that tell you Jews share the Passover meal together?

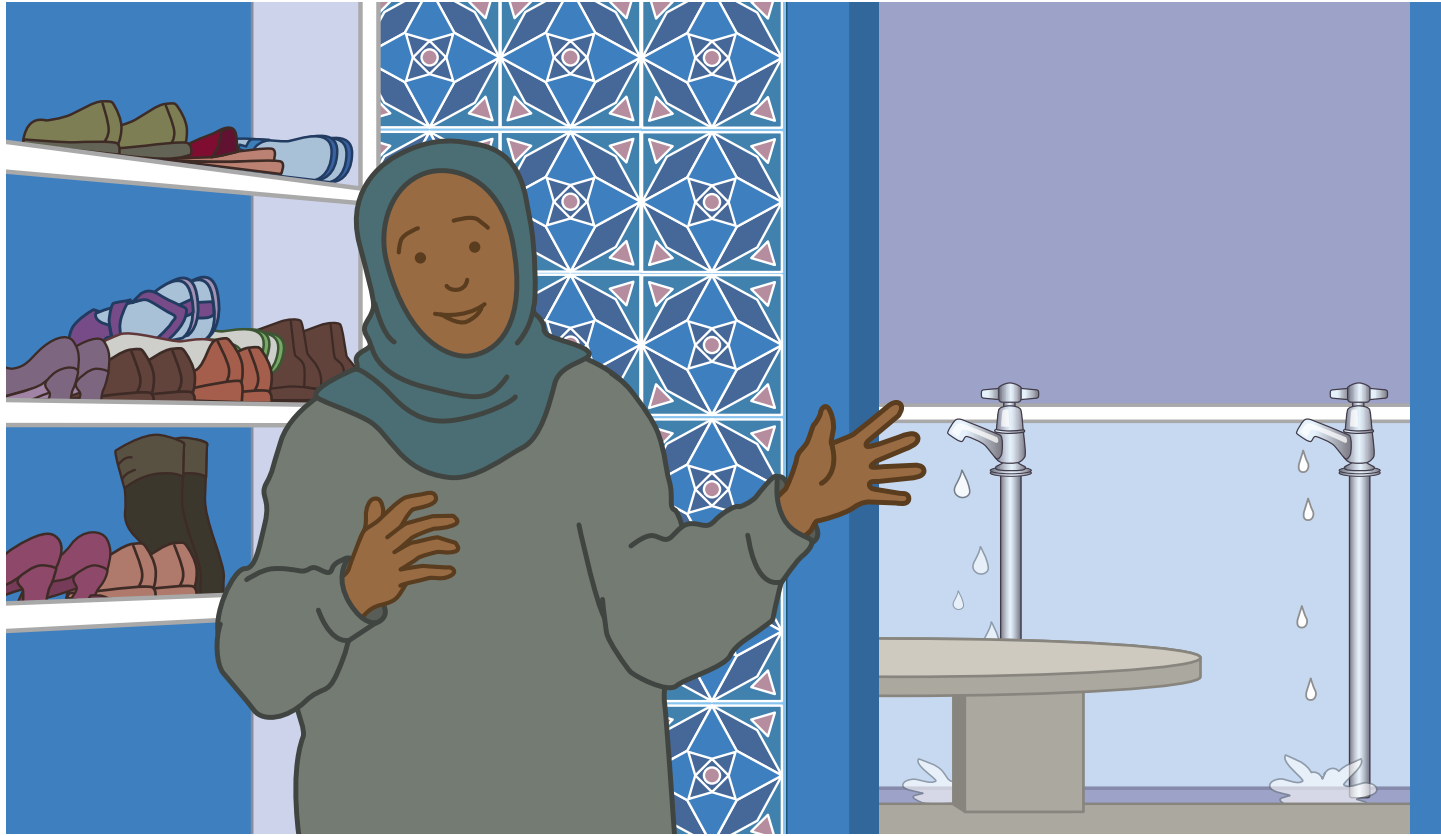




How do Ahmed and Salma find the mosque?



What are the signs that tell you who looks after the mosque?



What are the signs that tell you Muslims wash before they pray?



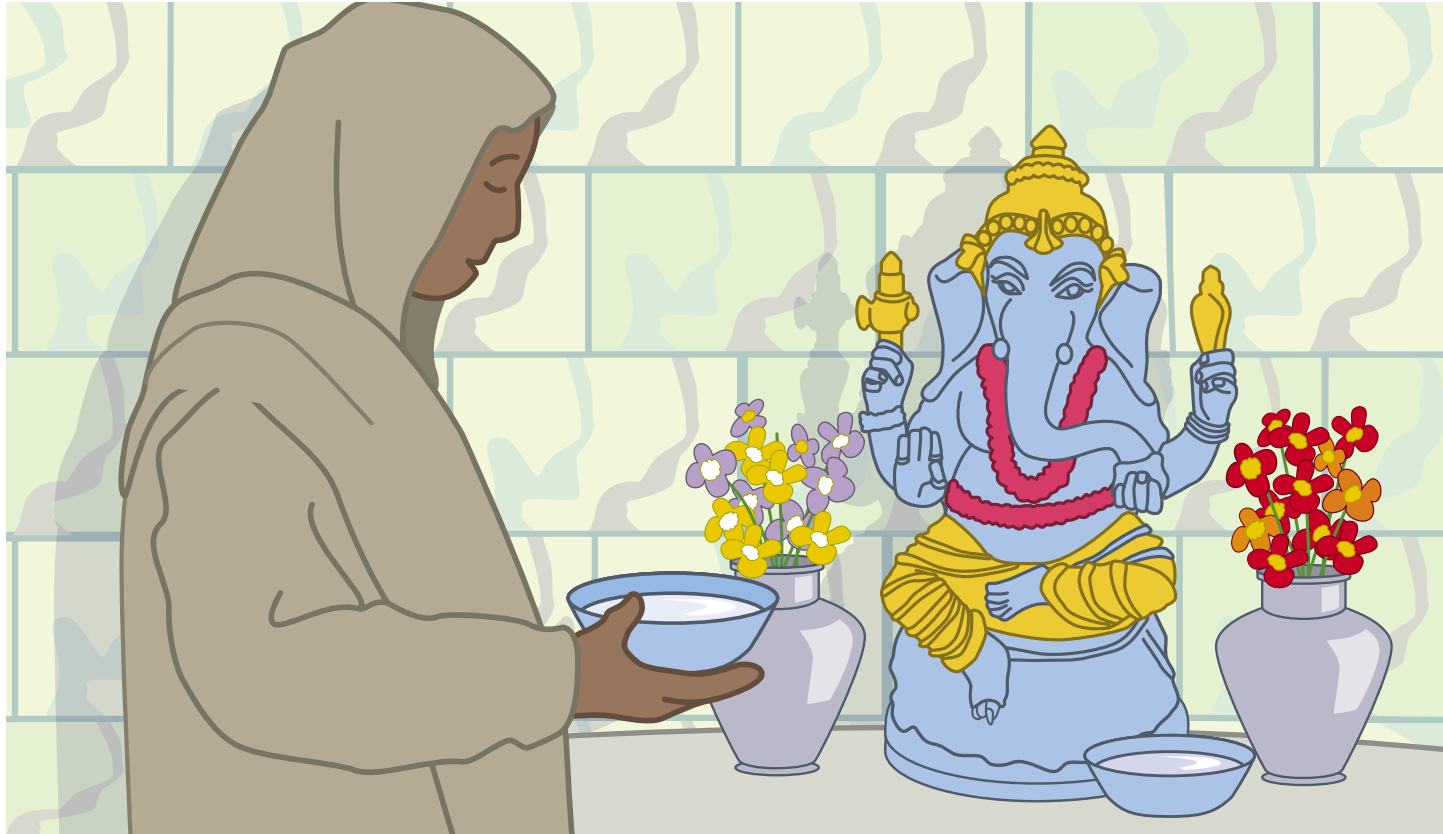
What are the signs that tell you Muslims share together to celebrate Eid?



How do Rajeev and Meena find the temple?



What are the signs that tell you who looks after the temple?



What are the signs that tell you Hindus offer water on the shrine?



What are the signs that tell you Hindus share together to celebrate puja?





Can you remember the names of the places visited?



Can you remember the signs found in the places visited?



Why do you think that signs are important?

Aled and Siân are exploring signs and symbols and they visit an ancient castle. When they return, Aled and Siân tell their friends all about their day out and they listen to their friends' stories too. As the stories unfold, Aled and Siân begin to see how the religions of the world display their signs and symbols around them.



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