

Knowledge Organiser – What happens to people when they pass away?

Key word	Definition	Image	Key word	Definition	Image
Burial	Funeral rites are the traditional ceremonies associated in connection with burial or cremation. These rites vary across religious groups often with a specific set of rules for what to do.		Hell	Hell has traditionally been depicted as a place of eternal fire that symbolises pain and suffering. Hell is the opposite of Heaven – it is eternity in the absence of God.	
Cremation	The disposal of a dead person's body by burning it to ashes, typically after a funeral ceremony.	+	Purgatory	The Roman Catholic Church teaches that after death there is a state of Purgatory. This is a place where some people who have sinned are purified in a cleansing fire, after which they are accepted into Heaven.	
Sky Burial	Tibetan funeral ritual involving the exposure of a dismembered corpse to sacred vultures.		Karma/ Kamma	Karma is the idea that actions have consequences. One thing leads to another, so what is done today makes a difference tomorrow.	
Afterlife	A concept of life after death.		Rebirth/ Reincarnation	The religious belief that existence is a cycle of birth, life, death and rebirth, and that the soul survives physical death and is reborn in a new body	€ F
Heaven	Heaven is described as eternity in the presence of God, as Heaven is a state of being rather than a physical place		Crucifixion	The death of Jesus; a form of the death penalty used by the Romans.	
Resurrection	Christians believe that 3 days after his crucifixion, Jesus rose from the dead and was eventually witnessed ascending back up to heaven.	t <sup>t</sup> t	Ascension	Going or being taken up; the event forty days after the resurrection when Jesus returned to glory in heaven	

	Good Friday is the Friday
	before Easter Sunday
Good Friday	when Christians
	remember Jesus'
	crucifixion



Easter Sunday



1	How do religious and non- religious people celebrate someone's life?	<ul> <li>Christians celebrate Christmas - Jesus' birth</li> <li>Both religious and non religious celebrate Birthdays (at least most religions)</li> <li>Hinduism celebrates a person's death</li> </ul>
2	Is there evidence for an afterlife?	<ul> <li>Paranormal events</li> <li>Spiritual mediums</li> <li>Reincarnation</li> <li>Near death experiences</li> </ul>
3	If heaven exists, then what is it like?	<ul> <li>Described as eternity</li> <li>State of being</li> <li>Ultimate aim and end for all Christians</li> <li>Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.</li> <li>Matthew 13:45-46</li> </ul>

TEST YOURSELF QUESTIONS	All answers can be found on these Knowledge Organiser pages
1	A detailed description of hell is
2	The day when Christians remember Jesus' crucifixion is called
3	A detailed description of heaven is
4	The exposure of dismembered corpse parts in the Tibetan religion is called
5	A detailed description of hell is
6	A detailed description of "burial" is
7	A place where Catholic believe people go for purification is called
8	Cremation can be defined as
9	What is it called when Jesus rises up to heaven?
10	What is the ascension in detail?
11	The belief that one can become something else after death is called
12	The celebration of Jesus's death is
13	The crucifixion is when
14	Challenge: After Jesus's birth happened, what three gifts did he receive?
15	Challenge: What is one well documented Paranormal event?