

Places of worship

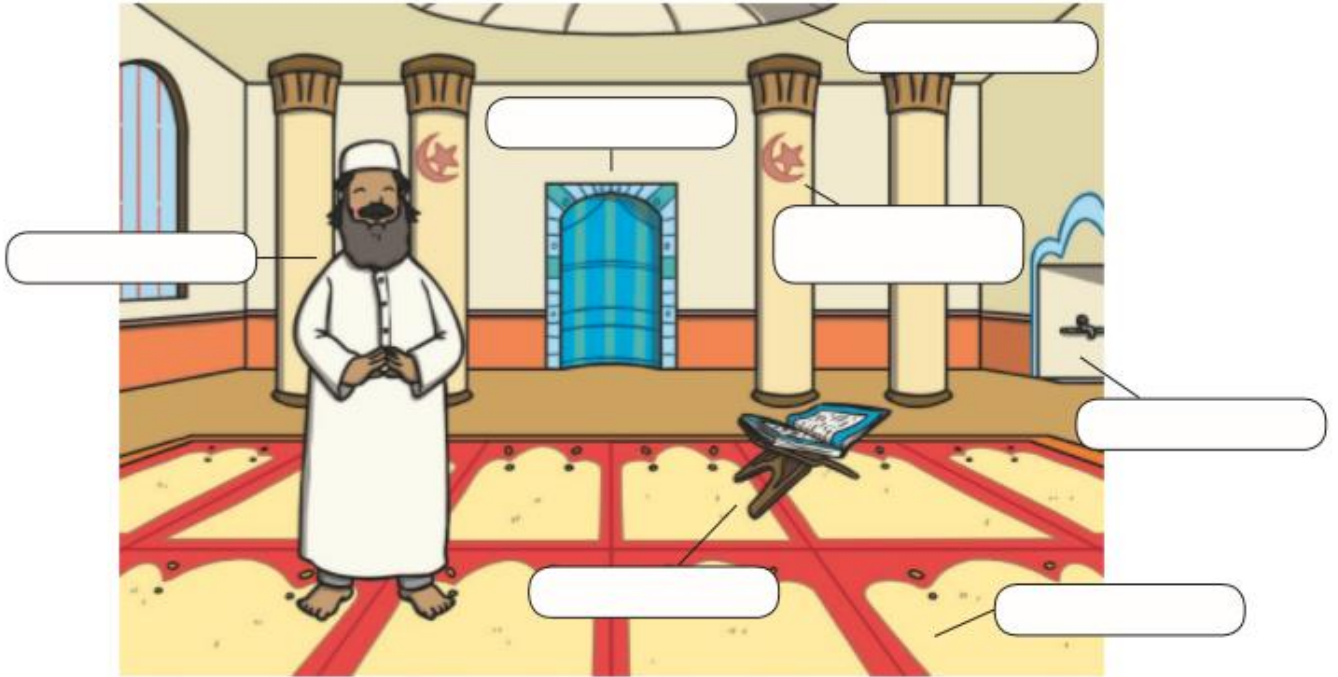
Match the religion to the building. Some of these you may already know, some might need some research.

Religion	Building name	Picture
	Pagoda	
	Mosque	
	Mandir	
	Synagogue	
	Church	
	Gurdwada	

Hinduism Buddhism Islam Christianity
Judaism Sikhism

Places of Worship: Mosque

Prayer mat	Qubba (Dome structure)	Mihrab (recess to indicate the direction of Mecca)	Wash room	Crescent moon and star	A Qur'an (Holy Book)	Imam
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Use the slides on the next page to help you with the labelling.

Extra questions

1. What is a minaret?

2. Why do you think that Muslims take their shoes off when they enter a Mosque?

3. The Qur'an is the holy book in Islam, can you remember or find out the names of the holy books in Hinduism and Christianity?

Places of Worship

These buildings look different, but what do they have in common?
Who might visit them?
What might happen there?



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Important Features of a Mosque



Shoe rack

A place to leave your shoes before entering.



Prayer mats

Mosques either have carpet with individual prayer mats or Muslims take their own prayer mat to worship upon.



Washroom

Muslims must wash before entering the main hall.



Qur'an

The Muslim holy book which is the word of God. It is treated with great respect and placed on a special wooden stand to be read.

Important Features of a Mosque



Tasbeeh Beads

Beads hanging around the mosque for worshippers to help think about Allah.

Mihrab

An alcove in the wall shows the direction the worshippers need to face.

This is the direction of Mecca in Saudi Arabia, the most sacred Muslim place in the world.



Minaret

Most mosques have at least one minaret which is a tall thin tower. A man stands at the top and calls Muslims to prayer.

