ST LAWRENCE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL SUBJECT MANAGER OVERVIEW

SUBJECT: RE UNIT: Special Books - The Torah CONCEPT: Leadership YEAR:2

BIG QUESTION	I wonder…why is the Torah special to Jews? Why is the Bible special to Christians?	
END OF UNIT OUTCOME	Paragraph answering the I wonder question.	
NC OBJECTIVES	• describe in simple terms their response to the concept of specialness in relation to books • identify simple examples of how and why books can be special to themselves and others • describe in simple terms the meaning of specialness • simply describe ways in which the Bible is special to Christians and the Torah to Jews • evaluate the concept by describing in simple terms the value of these special books to believers	
WEEK	**KEY KNOWLEDGE**	**RESOURCES**
1	• describe in simple terms their response to the concept of specialness in relation to books • identify simple examples of how and why books can be special to themselves and others • describe in simple terms the meaning of specialness	
RICH TASKS	*Prior to lesson, ask children to bring in a book that is special to them.* Annotate key question to identify prior knowledge. **What are our special books?** Why are they special? Share, photograph and write explanation in RE books. Discuss: **How do we feel about our special books in different situations?** Will you always feel that your book is special? Why/why not? Will it still be special when you are grown up? Do you think you will get other books that will be more special? Are the same books special to everyone? What do you think about other people's special books? Answer questions collectively on flipchart.	Special books
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	specialness	
RICH TASKS	**What can make a book special?** • Discuss and list what is special about a book, eg: it reminds me of … , it makes me happy, it was given to me by … , it has lots of memories in it, it was my first book, it used to belong to … , I love the story. How do you treat your special book? Where do you keep it? When do you look at it? Do you protect it? How? • Make a special class book. Pupils contribute ideas, poems, pictures, stories, etc. Decide as a class how to show it is special – eg: a lovely cover and kept in a special place.	
3	• simply describe ways in which the Bible is special to Christians and the Torah to Jews • evaluate the concept by describing in simple terms the value of these special books to believers	
RICH TASKS	**What do we think about the specialness of the Bible?** • Why is the Bible special to Christians? Look at some facts about the bible - old/ new testaments, stories we find in the bible, who might have a bible, where bibles might be kept in church (altar) and why. What questions might we want to ask a Christian about their bible? e.g. Do you read the bible often? How important is it to you? Where do you keep your bible? • Ask Mrs Micklefield to answer some of our questions about why the bible is special to her. Children write: I think the bible is special to Christians because….	Facts about the bible
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RICH TASKS	**What is the special book for Jews?** What do you remember about the Jewish special book from our visit to the Synagogue? Remind the children of the story of Moses and then watch the animation of the Moses at Mount Sinai: Can you remember any of the 10 commandments that God told Moses? Look at them together. Explain that all the laws God gave the Jews are in their special book – The Torah. Watch this clip in which a Jewish boy explains why the Torah is important to him, https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02mx8x7 Look at how a scribe creates the Torah: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02mxblj Look at some key information about the Torah. Create a Torah Factfile	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w1k533L-tW0
5	Revision of key knowledge	
END OF UNIT OUTCOME	I wonder why the Torah is Special to Jews? How would a Jewish person feel if they went to the synagogue and the Torah had been removed from the Ark? Answer the I wonder Question	