



# Year 6 Religious Education - Why do some people believe in a God and other's do not?



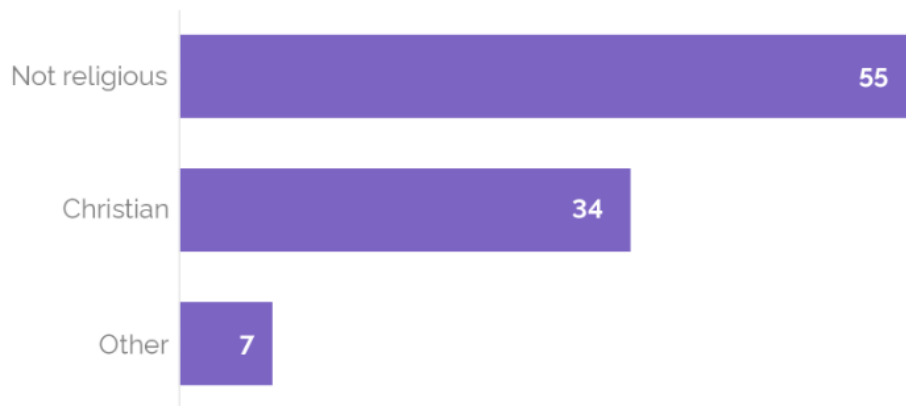
## What should I already know?

- Christians believe in one God who created everything.
- Christians follow the teachings found in their holy book; the Bible.
- A Christian will worship in a Church, where their leaders will preach and teach from the Bible.
- Some Christians believe that the creation story can be explained through science and the Bible can be interpreted in a poetic way.

## Key Vocabulary and definitions

atheist	Someone who doesn't believe in a God
Theist	Someone who believe in a God
agnostic	Someone who can't say for sure if there is a God
Authority	The power to make laws, decisions, teach and have obedience.

## What percentage of people living in the UK follow a religion?



## Key knowledge

- Atheists do not believe in a God.
- This could be for many different reasons.
- A humanist is a non-religious group.
- Humanist no not believe in a God.
- Humanist follow three core beliefs.



## Some reasons why people believe in a God

- family background - their family believed in a God
- religious experience - they have felt the 'presence of God'
- They had prayers answered
- The universe is so extraordinary that they much have been created and not happened by accident.

## Some reasons why people do not believe in a God

- family background - their family didn't believe in a God
- negative religious experience
- A God would not allow so much suffering
- Religions are all created by humans.
- They believe that science proves how the earth was made