

Vocabulary	Meaning
Buddha	a person who has found enlightenment
Temple	a Buddhist Temple is a centre for study and worship
mandala	a circular figure representing the universe
incense	a substance that is burned for the sweet smell it produces
stupa	a type of Buddhist shrine
enlightenment	when a Buddhist finds the truth about life and stops being reborn because they have reached Nirvana.
Nirvana	perfect peace with no suffering
Buddharupas	term used to describe a statue or model of Buddha
offerings	items that are given within worship including flowers, candle light, Lotus flowers, incense and music

Key knowledge – Sacred places

Buddhists can **worship** from home or at a temple, which are built in a variety of shapes. **Buddhists** worship by sitting on the floor, making sure their feet face away from any image of **Buddha**. Their head and body face the image of **Buddha**. This is called **puja**. Buddhists chant to show their love for **Buddha** and make offerings of flowers and incense at **shrines**.

When the **Buddha** died, people thought it would be a good idea to write down what **Buddha** said and thought. 500 Buddhist Monks met to check the content of his teachings. The teachings were passed down by word of mouth for around 400 years, before being written down.



Assessment focus – Evaluate
Begin to discern possible value for their own lives and communities

Can you make an ordinary place 'sacred'?

