



What is the Trinity?

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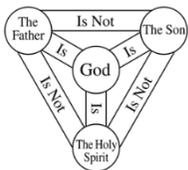
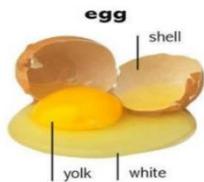


Key Vocabulary			
Trinity	God is one but made up of 3 equal parts	The Holy Spirit	Christians believe the Holy Spirit lives within them guiding and helping them
God the Father	God who lives in Heaven and created the world	The Grace	An important Christian prayer
God the son	Known as Jesus who came to earth to die on the cross and now lives in Heaven	baptism	A religious sign of being washed clean with water. An outward sign of being a Christian
God the Spirit	Known as the holy Spirit or the Holy Ghost	Pentecost	The descent of the Holy Spirit and the Christian church's mission to the world

Powerful knowledge

- Christians use the Trinity to describe God. The Father creates; he sends the Son who saves his people; the Son sends the Holy Spirit to his followers.
- It is a huge idea to grasp and Christians spend their whole lives learning about God.
- They show their beliefs in different ways in worship for example in prayer and baptism.
- Christians really want to try to understand God better and so try to describe God using symbols, similes and metaphors, in song, story, poems and art.
- The stories about Jesus are found in the Gospel books of the Bible
- Christians believe the **Holy Spirit** is God's power at work in the world and in their lives today, enabling them to follow Jesus..

The Trinity is sometimes compared to water and eggs, can you think of any other metaphors?



What I know already

- Christians believe that Jesus was God and was born in Bethlehem.
- The Bible stories show that He was extraordinary, He is worshipped as a king and He came to bring good news.
- Christians celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas and Advent is a time for getting ready for Jesus' coming.

How are each of the three parts of the Trinity different? How do they complement each other?



John the Baptist was a preacher who baptised people. He called people to turn to God and prepare for the coming of the **Messiah (Jesus)**. He baptised Jesus in the River Jordan. People would go to him so that he would put them in the water to show that they had turned away from their sins, so they they could get into heaven.

