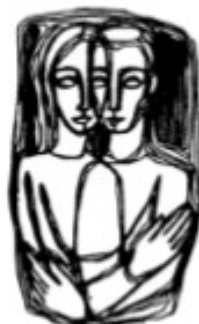




Key vocabulary	
Christianity	Religion based on the person and teachings of Jesus Christ, or it beliefs and practices.
reconciliation	The mending of broken friendships
peacemaker	A person who settles and argument or stops a fight
resentment	Being angry about being treated unfairly
sins	An action or type of behaviour which is believed to break the laws of God
humanity	The human race, which includes everyone on Earth.
parable	A simple story used to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson



Learning from Religion
<p>Identity and belonging Can I compare what influences me with who/what influences a practicing Christian? How do Christian's feel about confessing sin?</p> <p>Meaning, truth and purpose How can I link the ideas of reconciliation with sculptures created by different artists? What different ways do Christian's show their efforts to be peacemakers?</p> <p>Values and commitments How can I be a peacemaker in my own life? Why is important to show forgiveness and listen respectfully to others?</p>



Learning about Religion	
<p>What is the meaning of reconciliation in everyday life?</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reconciliation for Christian's is a mending of friendships between humanity and God Christian's follow the words in Matthew 5 v. 9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." encouraging one another to resolve conflicts.
<p>What is the concept of reconciliation in a key Christian story?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For Christians, Jesus is the ultimate peacemaker, who brings peace between humans and God. In the parable of the Prodigal Son (one of Jesus' best known stories) deals with both the idea of reconciliation with God and between members of families The parable helps Christian's think about how they live every day. Another parable used to demonstrate this is The Unforgiving Servant
<p>How is the ide of reconciliation from the Bible shown through sculpture?</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A sculpture by Margaret Adams Parker shows the relationship between the brothers and their father from the story. Hands Across the Divide is a sculpture by Maurice Harron that represents reconciliation.
<p>How is reconciliation shown in church practice?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christians believe in repentance (saying sorry and showing you mean it by a change in direction). In some churches Christians confess their sins (shortcomings or wrongdoings); they believe God offers forgiveness to those who repent sincerely. In these churches the priest offers absolution for sins on God's behalf, announcing that God forgives them freely but calls them to change their ways
<p>How is reconciliation shown in Christian living?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christian's undertake lots of different acts in order to fulfil Jesus' call to be peacemakers. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.