



**Unit of work:**  
Life stages

**Year group:**  
2

**Prior learning**

- Children know about celebrations such as birthdays, Christmas and Easter

**RE skills to develop**

This unit will allow children to consider the different stages of life and major events that may happen to them and other people which they know. They will be looking at naming ceremonies, growing up, marriage and death and how these are recognised predominately within a Christian community but also drawing on Muslim experiences as well as their own.

**Knowledge/ Skills**

Throughout this unit children will learn about a range of life events.

**Baptisms**

Invite Reverend Watmore in to teach children about baptism ceremonies.  
[bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zm87tfr](http://bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zm87tfr)  
[bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zr34wmn](http://bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/zr34wmn)

**Marriage**

<http://request.org.uk/life/rites-of-passage/marriage/>

**Funerals**

*Prior to lesson check if there has been any recent deaths you need to be aware of before you teach this part of the unit.*

<http://request.org.uk/life/rites-of-passage/christian-funeral-videos/>

**Vocabulary and definitions**

Word	Definition
Ambition	A strong desire to do or achieve something
Birth customs	Something that is done traditionally when a baby is born
Baptism	A Christian ceremony where people are welcomed into the Christian faith
Ceremony	A formal religious or public occasion celebrating a specific event, achievement or anniversary
Funeral	A ceremony or service held shortly after a person's death
Godparents	A person who is usually close to parents and is chosen to help look after the child and teach them life lessons. They are NOT someone who becomes the legal carer of a child if their parents die
Promise	A declaration or assurance that someone will do something
Prophecy	A message that is claimed by a prophet to have been communicated by a deity
Human rights	Every man, woman and child is born with rights, which are written and agreed by a country's government. For example we have the right to food and water
Saint	A person acknowledged as holy or virtuous and regarded in Christianity as being in heaven after death

**Important people**



**Jesus**



**Reverend**