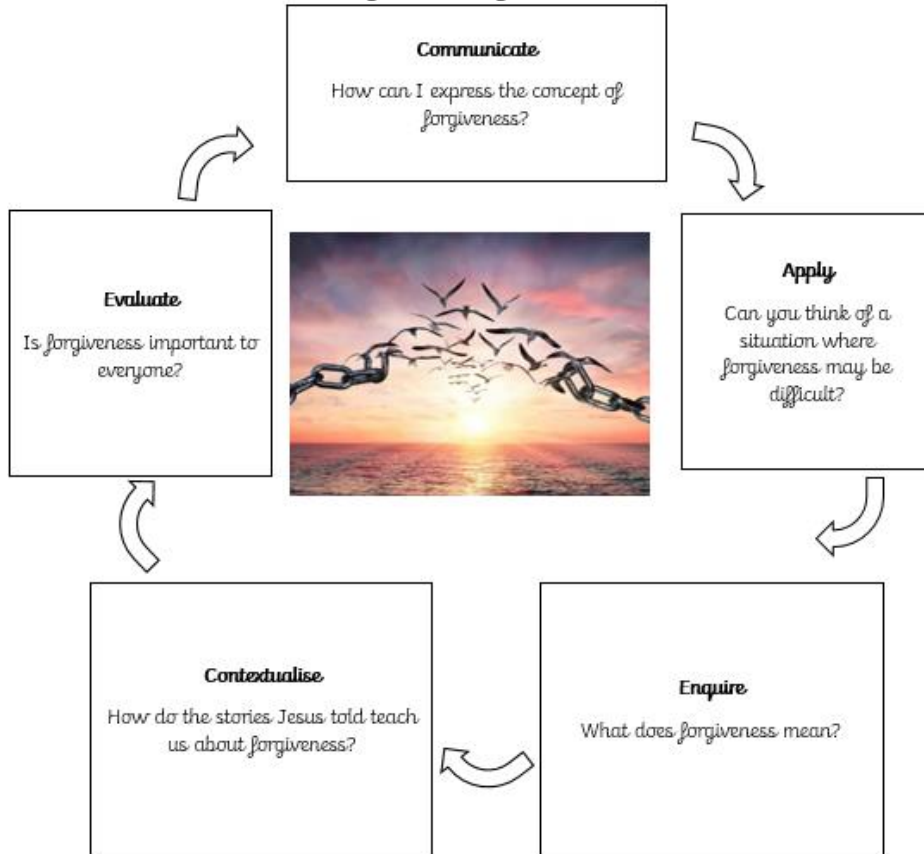


RE Knowledge Organiser – Year 5 Summer term 3b

Concept: Forgiveness



Key knowledge

John Newton (a slave ship owner) changed his ways as his life after a storm – during which he became a Christian.

Forgiveness is a key principle in Christianity – they belief anyone can be forgiven no matter what you have done as long as you recognise your mistakes and are sorry.

Some belief systems see forgiveness of others as key to a healthy relationship with God, while others see it as fundamental for personal well-being.

All religions teach that making mistakes is part of human nature, and forgiveness, not revenge, is the right answer.

Main religion: Christianity

Also mentioned: Buddhism and other religions

Can you forgive a person and still hate something they have done?

Key vocabulary					
Prodigal	Spending money or using resources freely and recklessly	Reconciliation	People who have quarrelled is the process of their becoming friends again	Attitude	A settled way of thinking or feeling about something.
Unforgivable	So bad as to be unable to be forgiven or excused.	Deserve	To do something worthy of a reward or punishment	Empathy	The ability to imagine what someone else might be thinking or feeling
Gratitude	Being thankful and appreciating and returning kindness.	Grace	A generous, free and totally unexpected gift from God to people	Repent	To feel sincere regret or remorse about one's wrongdoing