

KS1 : Prayer and a devotional attitude

Starter

Introduce the word 'Bahá'í'

This is a prayer that Bahá'ís sometimes say

Prayer: 'Blessed is the spot' (can present this from the Powerpoint slide)

Guided discussion

Talk about prayer. What is prayer ("a conversation with God")

What does the prayer mean? What does the word 'blessed' mean?

What other places could be 'blessed' if we mention God there?

What do some people do when they pray?

How do we show respect (for God and others) when we pray?

Read the prayer again (children to show reverence / respect)

[whole class, 5-10 mins]

Activity

Children to draw a spot, house, place (what sort of place?) etc. Use whiteboard if needed

Ask children to share the prayer back using their drawing (with a partner)

[working individually and in pairs, 15-30 mins]

Text of the prayer:

Blessed is the spot
and the house
and the place
and the city
and the heart
and the mountain

and the refuge
and the cave
and the valley
and the land
and the sea
and the island

and the meadow
where mention of
God has been made
and His praise
glorified.