Unit 6.3A The Exodus

Overview of unit

- To give pupils a greater understanding of the significance of the Exodus and Passover.
- To introduce pupils to the links between Christianity and Judaism.

Key Questions

- Why did God choose Moses?
- Why is the Exodus such a significant event in Jewish and Christian history?
- What is freedom?
- Why is freedom important?
- What does it mean to be free?
- Why is it important to remember?

Key Vocabulary		
Moses	The Hebrew prophet who led the Israelites out of Egypt and delivered the Law during their	
	years of wandering in the wilderness.	
Exodus	The movement of a lot of people or things away from a place. A mass departure of people	
Israel	A country in Western Asia.	
	A kingdom in ancient Palestine.	
freedom	The state of not being imprisoned or enslaved.	
slavery	When one human being was owned by another.	
Seder	a Jewish ritual service and ceremonial dinner for the first night or first two nights of Passover.	
Passover	A Jewish holiday that honours the freedom and exodus of the Israelites (Jewish slaves) from	
	Egypt during the reign of the Pharaoh Ramses II. Before the ancient Jews fled Egypt, their	
	firstborn children were "passed over" and spared from death.	

Key Knowledge and Understanding: What will we be learning about in this unit?

By the end of this unit pupils will know that:

- the Exodus is a significant event in Jewish and Christian history.
- the Seder is the special meal celebrated by Jews on the first evening of the festival of Passover.
- Christianity is rooted in Judaism and Jesus celebrated the Passover.
- for Jews, the event of the Exodus and Passover are at the very heart of their beliefs.

By the end of this unit pupils are expected to be able to:

- retell in detail the story of the Exodus and connect it to the Passover celebration and Seder meal.
- make links between the Passover, Last Supper and the Eucharist.
- use appropriate religious vocabulary to show they understand why Passover is a festival of memory and freedom.
- express their opinion about what freedom is and what it is not.
- identify the similarities and differences between the level of importance placed on the Exodus and Passover by Jews and Christians.
- explain, using appropriate religious language, the significance of the Passover and why it is not forgotten.

Christian concepts		Christian values	
God – Creation – Fall – PEOPLE OF GOD – Incarnation – Gospel – Salvation –	Justice	Норе	
Kingdom of God	Faith	Peace	



"The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you."

Exodus 12:13

