

Year 6 – Is it better to express your beliefs in art and architecture or in charity and generosity?



Key Vocabulary

sacred	Connected with a god or dedicated to a religious purpose.
architecture	The design of the construction of buildings and other physical structures.
mosque	A place of worship for Muslims created to represent the beauty of Allah.
cathedral	A place of worship for Christians created in the grandeur of God and the value of spiritual life.
generosity	Being kind, understanding and not selfish. Willingness to give things to others.
charity	An organisation which provides help, often voluntary, to those in need.
humanism	A set of ethics that believe it is possible to live a good and fulfilling life without following a traditional religion.
representational art	Art which portrays the physical depictions of religious images.
geometrical art	The use of patterns to represent nature and objects by their spiritual qualities.

The first two mosques in the UK were built in 1889, in Liverpool and Woking

Religion Focus

Christians

Religious spending on art and architecture is important for Christians. Christian art depicts the saints/disciples and often tells a story.

A big Christian charity: **Christian Aid**

Muslims

Religious spending on art and architecture is important for Muslims.

In Islamic art and architecture:

- There are no images of Allah and no image of humans because they mislead rather than enlighten.
- Geometric and natural pattern is used to create beauty.

The two biggest Muslim charities in the U.K are **Muslim Aid & Islamic Relief**.

Humanists

The Humanist critique of religious spending on art and architecture often suggests this money would be better used to feed the poor.



The 99 Beautiful Names Of Allah - Yasmin Kathrada



The Attributes of Divine Perfection - Ahmed Moustapha

