BUDDHISM Key Stage 2



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A A A	 Stories about Gotama Buddha His concern in finding an answer to the problem of suffering and unsatisfactoriness in life, e.g. his restlessness, the four sights, years spent searching for the answer. Enlightenment. Teaching of the 'Middle Way'. How suffering can be eased e.g. the Buddha & Angulimala. Festivals Wesak – a festival that celebrates the birth, enlightenment and passing away of the Buddha. The Buddha image: is not worshipped as an idol; communicates values, e.g. tranquility. 	 Beliefs: All things change. Buddha taught about suffering& the ending of suffering. Symbol The Lotus Flower - symbol of enlightenment. Compassion The importance of being compassionate, generous, kind, truthful, helpful and patient Actions have consequences The Four Noble Truths Life involves suffering The origins of suffering lie in wanting, which is made more intense by greed, hatred & ignorance. The ending of suffering is possible. The Noble Eightfold Path is the way to end suffering and become enlightened. 	 The Buddhist community (The Sangha) Made up of ordained (e.g. monks, nuns and priests) and lay people. All Buddhists try to follow the example of the Buddha's life and live by his teachings. The lives of ordained and lay people and how they support each other. The Buddhist Temple or Centre Used for worship, meditation or ceremonies. Significant features and objects - e.g. water offering bowls, image of Buddha, incense, flowers, bell. Mala of 108 beads, used when chanting. Bodhgaya An important place for Buddhists worldwide. A place of pilgrimage.
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	 The Noble Eightfold Path (The 8 spoked wheel) Right Understanding (seeing the world as it is, in terms of the Four Noble Truths). Right Thought (commitment to follow the path). Right Speech (truthfulness; gentle and useful speech). Right Action (following the Five Precepts with love and compassion). Right Livelihood (avoiding work that causes harm or injustice, choosing one which is beneficial to others). Right Effort (avoiding bad thoughts, encouraging good). Right Mindfulness (attentiveness and awareness). Right Meditation (training the mind in meditation). (When people follow the path, the wheel turns in a positive direction (traditionally clockwise) symbolising their development) The Five Moral Precepts Buddhists should refrain from: harming and killing living beings, sexual misconduct, taking drugs or drink that impair clarity of mind, taking what is not freely given, wrong speech. (There is a positive aspect of each precept, e.g. it is not enough not to harm – one should show compassion for all living things) Stories that exemplify values - The Monkey King	 The Three Jewels The Buddha. The Dhamma. The Sangha Buddhists 'take refuge' in the Three Jewels or Triple Gem Helping to alleviate suffering Practice the Dhamma. Be sympathetic and kind to others, including animals. Give generously of time, food and abilities. Teach by example.