BBC KS2 Assemblies

Judaism - What makes a good leader?



1. As the pupils enter

Have the webpage open:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/assemblies-primary-ks1-ks2-judaism-what-makes-a-good-leader/z6xhm39

Display the picture of Moses confronting Pharaoh: http://teach.files.bbci.co.uk/schoolradio/assemblies/images/judaism_moses_passover.jpg

2. Your introduction to the video

Play a follow-the-leader game in which the children have to copy you (or someone nominated by you) or sing a follow-the-leader song.

Then ask children to suggest to you what they think makes a good leader. Share experiences of being a leader, either in school, or somewhere else. Make the link with the today's story about an important leader from the Jewish faith, Moses. You could do this by referring to the picture of Moses confronting the Egyptian Pharaoh. Ask the children to think about what makes Moses a good leader as they watch the video.

3. Play the video

Play the video. The duration is 3' 51" and the final words are: '...and they continued the journey to their Promised Land, trusting in God.'

4 & 5. Time to talk

Use the story questions to help children talk about the story. 1: Where were the Jewish people living at the time of Moses? 2: Why did Moses' mother place him in a basket on the river? 3: Why must Moses run away to another land? 4: What does Moses see in the desert? 5: What plagues are mentioned in the story? 6: How do the Jewish people escape the Egyptian chariots?

Then ask children to share their thoughts about what they think makes Moses a good leader and discuss how they might apply these qualities or skills in their own lives.

6. Time to sing

An opportunity for you to sing your chosen song.

Play video

7. Opportunity to reflect

We've been thinking today about the great leader, Moses...

How he listened to God and bravely led the Jewish people out of Egypt... I wonder what you think made him a good leader..?

Think to yourself for a few moments now...

We've also thought today about times when we've been a leader...and about what makes a good leader... I wonder what you might need to do to be an even better leader the next time you're asked..?

8. Opportunity for prayer

Dear God.

Thank you for this ancient story of Moses and how he listened to your voice...

How he stood up to Pharaoh and led the people out of Egypt to the land that you had promised. Thank you for the things that we can learn from this story about being a good leader. Amen.