

'Learn Jainism' Teachers' Notes

Unit 3A – What do Signs and Symbols mean in Religion?

Jain Symbols

Just like all other faiths Jains rely on signs and symbols to show meaning to their beliefs. Your pupils can find out more about Jain signs and symbols on pages 12 and 13 of the 'Discover Jainism' book.

The image on page 12 is used by all Jains as a way of describing Jainism is one visual form. If your pupils can understand the various components of this particular symbol then they

Classroom Activities

If you look in the 'Picture Bank' section of the 'Learn Jainism' website you will find some images that show Jain signs and symbols. Your pupils can freely use these images for their own work on this area.

For whole class teaching, you can download the symbol on page 12 of 'Discover Jainism' from the 'Learn Jainism' website. You can then use it on an interactive whiteboard to discuss with your class what each part of the symbol actually means.

On the next page is an activity based on the universally-accepted Jain symbol. You are free to print this and use it in your classroom for small group or individual work.



<http://www.learnjainism.org>

Jain Symbols Classroom Activity

Fill in the boxes with descriptions of each symbol.
Remember to use your own words.

