

RE Knowledge Organiser - Year 3 - Christianity

Acts Chapter 2 - The Coming of the Holy Spirit

2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. **2** Suddenly a noise came from heaven. It sounded like a strong wind blowing. This noise filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** They saw something that looked like flames of fire. The flames were separated and stood over each person there. **4** They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they began to speak different languages. The Holy Spirit was giving them the power to speak these languages.



5 There were some religious Jews staying in Jerusalem who were from every country in the world. **6** When they heard this noise, a crowd came together. They were all surprised, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. **7** They were completely amazed at this. They said, "Look! Aren't all these men that we hear speaking from Galilee?" **8** But each of us hears them in his own language. How is this possible? We are from different places: **9** Parthia, Media, Elam, Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia, **10** Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the areas of Libya near Cyrene, Rome **11** (both Jews and those who had become Jews), Crete and Arabia. But we hear these men telling in our own languages about the great things God has done!" **12** They were all amazed and confused. They asked each other, "What does this mean?"



2.6 For Christians, what was the impact of Pentecost?

Key Vocabulary

Pentecost	A Christian holiday which takes place on the 50th day (the seventh Sunday) after Easter Day. It recalls the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the book of Acts.
The Book of Acts	The book of Acts provides a detailed, orderly, eyewitness account of the birth and growth of the early church and the spread of the gospel immediately after the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
disciples	The twelve men who followed Jesus during his ministry on Earth.
Apostle	The group of early Christians - including the disciples of Jesus - who travelled to different places telling people about Jesus Christ.
Holy Spirit	The third person of the Trinity; God as spiritually active in the world. Aka The Holy Ghost . Often represented as a white dove.

