

What is a role model? Why are they important? What should they do for you?

A role model is someone you look up to; they are someone you aspire to be like or who you respect greatly because they do good things.

Have a look at this list of qualities that a role model, or someone who is inspiring to you, should have.

Activity 1 - pick the five most important qualities you think your role model should have. Explain your reason for each one.

LOVING	FRIENDLY
KIND	HELPFUL
STRONG	WISE
HAPPY	RELIABLE
GENTLE	TRUSTWORTHY
NEVER GIVING UP	CAN KEEP A SECRET
PEACEFUL	TRUTHFUL
CALM	WEALTHY
PATIENT	CARING
NICE	HARDWORKING

Think about a religious leader or important figure. How are they role models to the people of that faith?

## LI: I can explore the role of a religious figure for a believer of a faith.

Activity 2: Pick three important religious figures from Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism or Judaism. There are some examples below to help you, and some useful links if you need to know a bit more. Which of the qualities listed in the table do you think these people have? Explain your answer for each quality you choose.

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### Judaism: Abraham or Moses

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/znwhfg8/articles/zh77vk7>

### Christianity: Jesus

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztkxpv4/articles/zvfnkmn>  
(paragraph titled 'What do Christians believe?')

### Islam: Prophet Muhammad

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpdtsbk/articles/zrxxgwx>  
(paragraph titled 'What do Muslims believe?')

### Sikhism: Guru Nanak

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zsjpyrd/articles/zr86cqt>

### Hinduism: Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zh86n39/articles/zmpp92p>  
(paragraph titled 'What do Hindus believe?')