

# DE UR DE CALDEA A BELÉN DE JUDÁ 1°ESO

## Mission1. Origins: In search of God

### Research 2. The religious fact in your life

That religion is a fact is an elementary affirmation, undeniable. In any city that one visits, one finds multiple data of that fact. The most visible will be the architecture: cathedrals, synagogues, pagodas, mosques ... But soon that one is interested in the arts, it is also present in all of them: paintings by famous painters, musical compositions, sculpture, literature ... And then, in everyday life: greetings, sayings, parties, the same name of cities and streets ...

It is also a fact of always. This is what historians and anthropologists say, who already find in prehistoric tombs, megalithic monuments, rock paintings, offerings and sacrifices, sacred dances, funerary rites ... Later the cult of the stars and the gods of the earth. The closest to us are the religions of the Greek and Roman world, which we know through their mythologies. And also the gods of pre-Columbian cultures.

Many of the elements of current culture and values have their origin in the religions of antiquity. Join with arrows each one of them with its description:

The custom of putting out the candles on the birthday cake		Competitions held in honor of the gods
The name of the planets		Utensils found in various places that show us that there were already funeral rites in prehistory
Origin of the Olympics		The Greeks offered sweets to Artemis (goddess of the Moon). Above them they put lit candles that simulated the light of the moon. The faithful made a wish for the smoke to take him to the Goddess
Funerary object		They are names of the Greek and Roman gods of antiquity