

Key Question

Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?

Topic Overview

- To read and interpret Genesis in different ways – talking about what the story means and how it makes them feel.
- To explore the scientific account of cosmology and evolution and to summarise them in a diagram.
- To find out about Christians who are also scientists eg/ Jennifer Wiseman – How do they reconcile their faith with their professional work?
- Do you agree with the statement – ‘Genesis explores why the universe and life exists.’
- To explore some key questions that science can answer.
- To devise as many questions as possible about the Genesis text and discuss own personal feelings towards it.



Key Vocabulary

God	A superhuman spirit or being that is worshipped.
creator	A person or thing that brings something into existence.
cosmology	The beginning of the universe.
evolution	The development of living things over time.
Genesis	A book in the Bible.
universe	All existing matter and space considered as a whole.
explore	Inquire into or discuss in detail.

Learning Outcomes

- To identify the context and purpose of the Genesis 1 text.
- To make clear connections between Genesis 1 and Christian belief about God as a creator.
- Show an understanding of why many Christians find science and faith go together.
- To weigh up how far Genesis 1 creation narrative is in conflict or is it complimentary with a scientific account?

