

| Christian Denominations – Year 9 |                                                                                                        |
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| Key Word                         | Definition                                                                                             |
| Denomination                     | A branch of a religion                                                                                 |
| Monotheism                       | The belief in one God                                                                                  |
| Resurrection                     | The belief that Jesus rose from the dead on Easter Sunday                                              |
| Jehovah's Witness                | Is a Christian denomination, followers believe that the Bible is the direct word of God.               |
| Blood transfusion                | Where donated blood is given to a person in need in order to save a life.                              |
| Amish                            | Is a Christian denomination followers believe that society has strayed too far from what God intended. |
| Mormons                          | Is a Christian denomination that believe it is important to go on mission to spread the word of God.   |

**Jehovah's Witnesses**  
 Jehovah's Witnesses are members of a Christian-based religious movement.

The denomination was founded in the USA towards the end of the 19th century, under the leadership of Charles Taze Russell.

There are about 6.9 million active Witnesses in 235 countries in the world, including 1 million in the USA and 130,000 in the UK.

Jehovah's Witnesses do not believe in blood transfusions because of the Bible quote 'abstain from blood'. They also believe that the Bible is the direct word of God and that modern society has strayed too far from it.




**Amish**  
 Amish Christians believe in one God.

Amish people do not think that evangelism is important, this means that they do not think it is important to convert others and do not accept people joining from outside the faith.

Amish people value community and family. They are disconnected from the outside world and do not accept modern technology.

Education ends at 14 in the Amish community, young people then work with their families.

## Different Christian Beliefs

| Catholic                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Both                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Protestant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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