

# about the worship zone

## Overview

In this zone pupils begin by thinking about the concept of worship and the special places and objects which help people to worship. Pupils watch a short DVD showing the features of a Salvation Army church (or simply look around the main worship hall) and then go on to explore the meaning and significance of the objects found in a Salvation Army church, using a set of picture/word cards. Older pupils can then arrange the objects in order of how important they think they are to members of The Salvation Army, which should promote some good discussion. Finally pupils watch another DVD clip showing examples of different types of worship in The Salvation Army.

## Points to note

- If you are considering teaching pupils a worship action song (extra activity), do check with the teacher first as some schools may not feel this is appropriate.
- There are two levels for the worship DVD clips. Level 1 is designed for Key Stage 1 and may be slower or include words on the screen. Level 2 is designed for Key Stage 2 or for children who may be more familiar with a Salvation Army church. There are no words on the screen so the activities will be slightly more challenging.
- As all Salvation Army halls are different (some having very few 'Salvation Army' objects) there is always the opportunity in this zone to talk about what really makes a church – is it the building?

## Setting up the zone

- If your visit is taking place in an SA hall it would be helpful if this zone was set up in the main worship hall, perhaps near to the mercy seat if you have one. Pupils will be looking at the different objects found in a Salvation Army hall and perhaps comparing these to objects found in other Christian churches.
- Bear in mind that this zone uses DVD clips which could distract pupils in other zones if they are located too close together.

## Resources provided

- Worship zone A3 sign
- Display stand for A3 sign (black)
- Worship definition A3 card
- 2 sets of worship objects matching cards (extra sets available)
- 2 sets of worship objects explanation cards - Key Stage 2 (extra sets available)
- 2 sets of worship objects 'Call my bluff' cards - Key Stage 1 (extra sets available)
- 'ABC' cards - for 'Call my bluff' activity (download from USB)
- DVD Clip 1: A Salvation Army church. DVD Clip 2: Worship (in The Salvation Army)
- KS1/2 worship zone scripts (download from USB or check the website for the latest version)

## You may also need

- TV/DVD player
- Football supporter's kit (eg shirt, scarf, match ticket and programme, football, novelty items)
- Worship action song –Duggie Dug Dug CD/DVD or similar
- Other examples of Salvation Army worship (eg Congress DVDs from SP&S or Link DVDs from the Video Production Unit)



### **Adapting the zone:**

- **Make the zone shorter:**  
Do the ordering activity as a whole group, and omit one of the DVD clips if necessary.
- **Make the zone longer:**  
Use the extra activities suggested. For Key Stage 2 you could discuss some of the objects in more detail, perhaps with a mini tour around the worship hall, and make comparisons between objects found in The Salvation Army and those in other churches.
- **Whole class session:**  
Most of the activities would work with a whole class, providing you can show the DVD clips. Request extra sets of the activity cards and divide the class into groups of four or five pupils for the small group activities. A PowerPoint show of the worship objects is included on the USB.

