

The background image is a bright, sunny outdoor scene. It features several olive trees with gnarled trunks and silvery-green foliage. The sun is high in the sky, creating a strong lens flare effect that washes out the top half of the image. In the background, a building with a tiled roof and a fence are visible. The overall atmosphere is warm and bright.

LO: What happened at the
garden of Gethsemane?

Look closely at the picture below. It is a series of Olive trees in the Garden of Gethsemane in Jerusalem. The word Gethsemane means 'olive press' and at the time of Jesus this was a beautiful garden where olives were grown and turned into oils for heating, lighting and healing.

The olive tree is regarded as one of the 5 sacred fruits in the Bible.



Find out facts about olive trees and olive oil and their uses.

The Garden of Gethsemane

What does the bible tell Christian's about the Garden of Gethsemane?

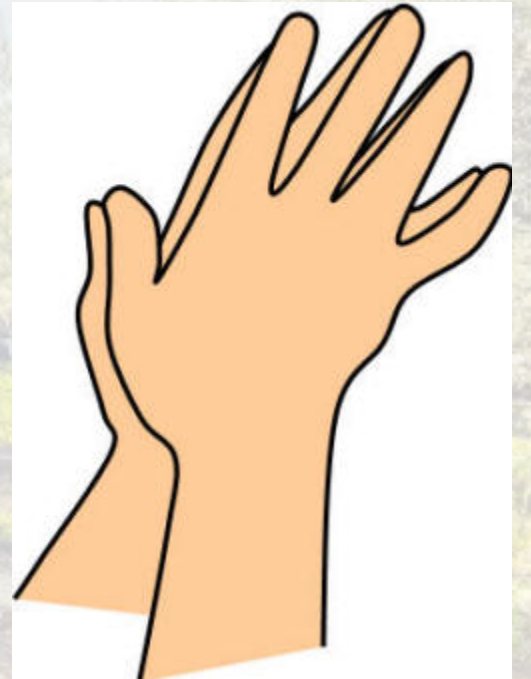
Today you are going to find out about what takes place in the Garden of Gethsemane according to the Christian bible.

The Garden of Gethsemane was located on lower slopes of the Mount of Olives, which overlooked the city of Jerusalem.

Read the story about the garden of Gethsemane

After you have read the story, create a picture of the scenes taking place.

- Make notes around your drawing.
- Think about how people were feeling
- what was the mood?



Did you capture these scenes in your picture?

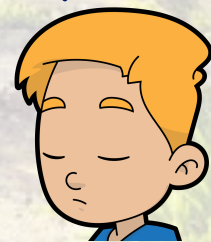
The place where Jesus was praying

the scene with Judas kissing Jesus

where the disciples were sleeping

What was the mood in that scene: peaceful or tense, scary or calm?

- Add these notes around your picture



Artists throughout the centuries have tried to capture this story.

It is here that we see the human Jesus. He knew what fate was to befall him and began to pray that God would intervene. However we then see Jesus talking to God and saying 'Do as you will'. He then returned to the disciples and found them asleep. This happened three times.



Have a look at the following examples!



Which of the 5 paintings do you think clearly reflects the story and the feelings of those involved?

- Write a short paragraph about your chosen painting and how you think the feelings of those involved have been captured.

Have a look at these paintings- many artists have tried to capture another significant part of the story.



Which part of the story do you think this is?

THINKING TIME:

Which part of the story do you think this is?

How do you think Jesus felt?

How do you think his other disciples felt?



If you were a disciple and had seen this happening what would you have done?

If you saw something happening to a friend and you thought it is wrong, what would you do?

What have we learnt so far about the events that took place at the garden of Gethsemane?

- Why do you think even Jesus had to do hard things?
- How do you suppose Jesus was feeling while praying in the garden?
- What are some hard things you have faced?
- How do Christians use prayer to strengthen and help themselves during those times?
- What do you do when you are faced with these things?

Express

I would like you to create a comic strip that depicts the events that took place in this story from the bible.

What is a comic strip?



Features of a comic strip

The story is written in a short narrative.

This is shown through caption boxes, which the narrator would be saying. Captions tend to be coloured boxes, to show the difference to speech.



Features of a comic strip

Speech bubbles are usually round or square shapes with a tail pointing to the character's mouth, indicating that the character is speaking out loud.



Features of a comic strip

Thought bubbles are cloud-shaped word bubbles that indicate that a character is thinking, not talking out loud.



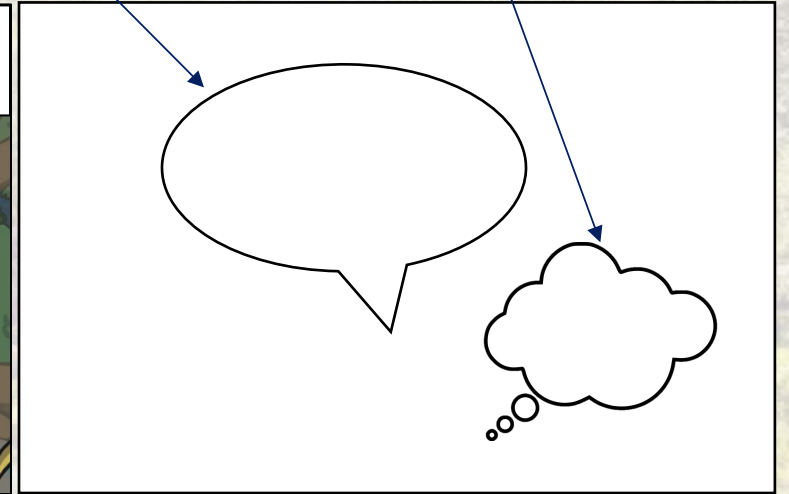
STEPS TO SUCCESS:

1. Draw a picture for each scene

3. write speech in speech bubbles

2. write a caption that tells the reader what is happening in the scene

4. use thought bubbles to show how characters are feeling



Digging Deeper!

Extra research: Research what happens in a church on Maundy Thursday



- Challenge: Find out how many Christian Churches remember this event today with what they call a 'watch'. Write a newspaper article to explain why this happens and the links with the story.

