**Worksheet 1.3b: Religions and beliefs as part of someone’s identity**

# Why might religion/belief be an important part of someone’s identity? Read the examples below.

Being an **atheist** was the

Being a **Muslim** is amazing because my

Being a **Sikh** is an important

part of my identity because my turban makes me think about my **ancestry** every time I look in the mirror.

main factor in choosing a school for my son. I believe that **religion causes most wars**, so I didn’t want him to go to a religious school.

religion teaches me about the importance of **respect for others.** As a sixth-former, this attitude has helped me to make lots of **friends**.

Being **Jewish** helps me deal with being a teenager.

My religion reminds me to treat other people well, even when I feel angry.

I guess being Jewish makes me a **better citizen**.

Being a **Christian** makes a massive difference

to how I cope with my facial disfigurement (after working as a soldier). The Bible gives me reassurance that looks don’t matter.

Being a **Buddhist** affects everything. I changed my attitude to my sales job when I became a Buddhist. I’m now less interested in my bonus and more committed to

the **customer.**

1. Give examples of how religion/beliefs might influence a person’s decisions about

ecisions about:

* 1. Civil partnership/marriage
	2. Where to live
	3. Language
	4. Hobbies
	5. Food
	6. Spending money
	7. Health problems
	8. Job

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