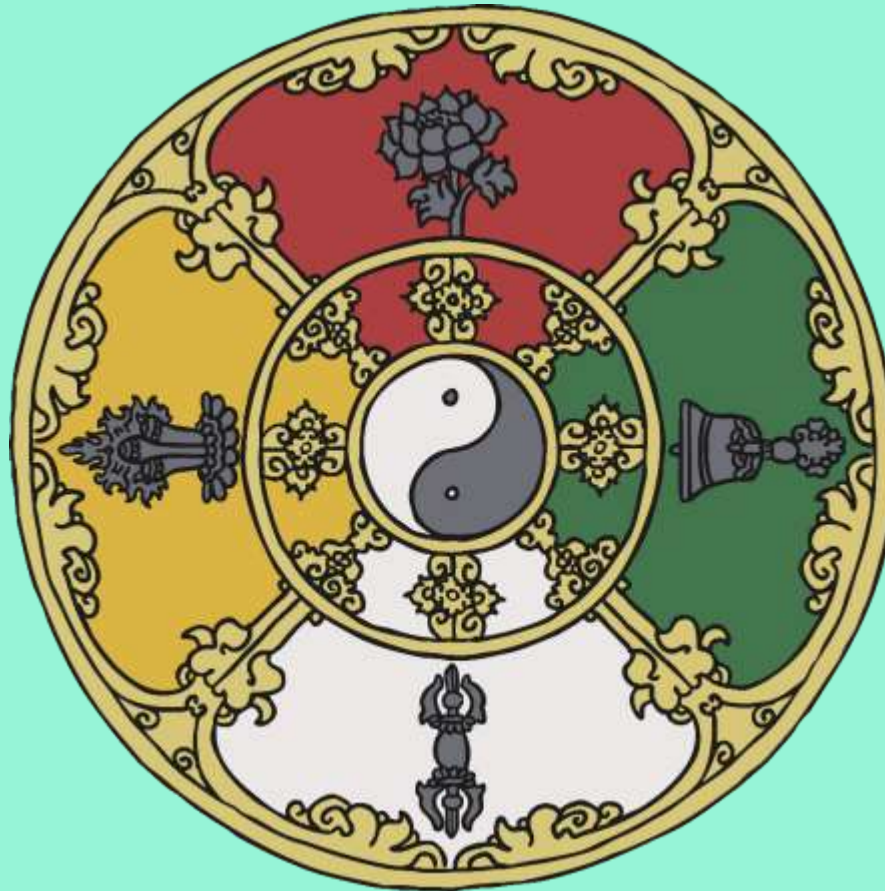


Buddhist Symbols

A task setting PowerPoint about the Buddhist temple for Key Stage 1.





Learning Objective

- To find out about what symbols are.
- To understand that some symbols belong to religions.



What is a Symbol?

A symbol is a mark or character.
Have you seen any of these symbols before (next page)?



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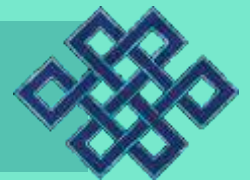
Lotus Flower: This represents the rise up from suffering to reach enlightenment, beauty and understanding.

Parasol: This represents protection from suffering and harmful forces.



The Dharma Wheel: The eight spokes represent the Eightfold Path.

The Eternal Knot: This represents how everything is linked, especially compassion and wisdom.



More symbols

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The Lion: This represents the power of Buddha's teachings.

The Golden Fish: This represents luck, fortune and having courage to face the ocean of suffering.

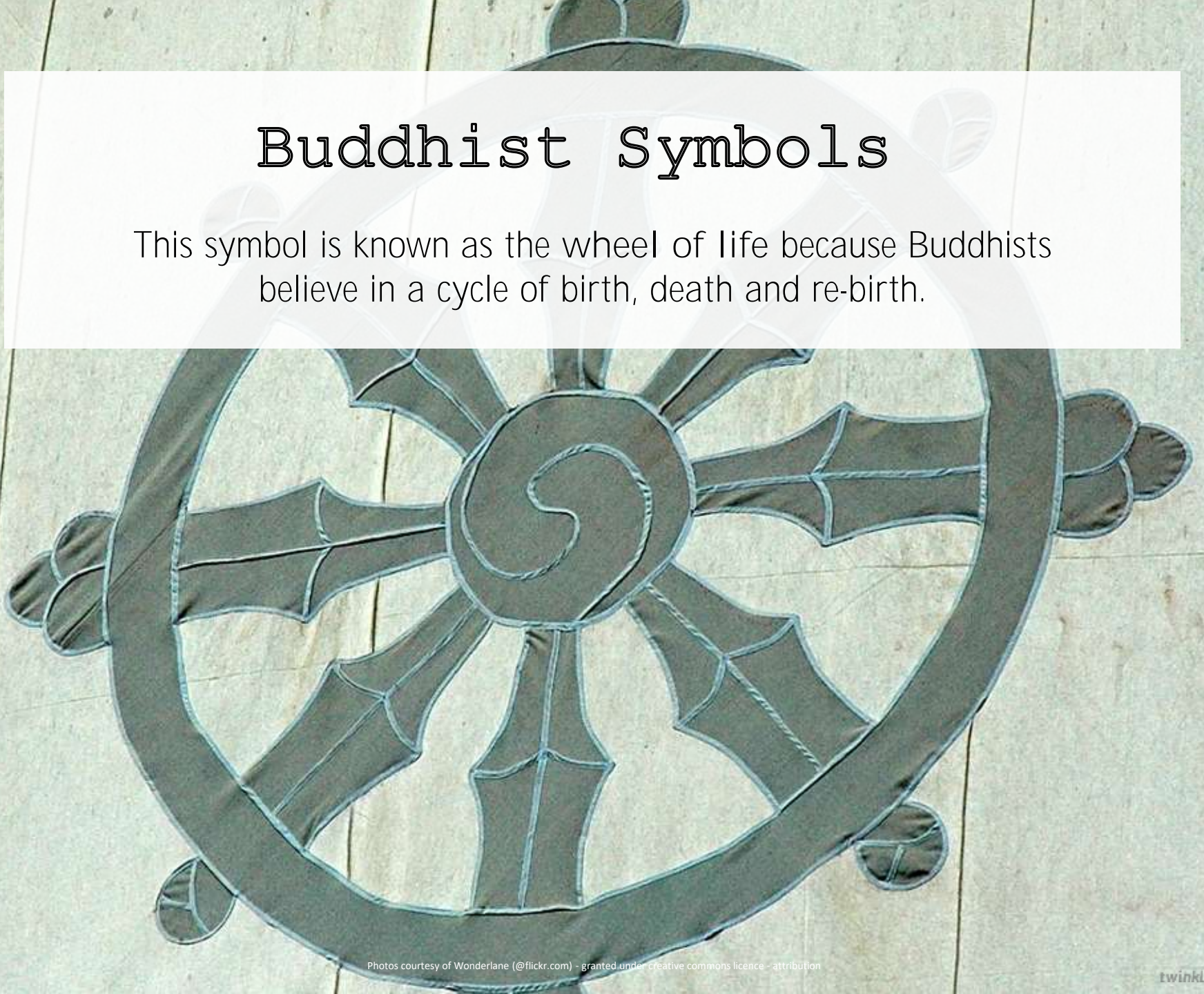


The Conch Shell: This represents the sudden understanding of people who hear the Buddhist teachings.



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This symbol is known as the wheel of life because Buddhists believe in a cycle of birth, death and re-birth.



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The lotus flower is a sign of being pure. This flower begins in mud at the bottom of the water but grows tall and rises above the surface to be a beautiful flower, just like Buddhists should grow and live a good Buddhist life.





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The Buddha reminds Buddhists of an ordinary man who became a very holy man known as the Buddha.