## **Caroline Haslett Primary School – RE** Topic: Unit 5 - Miracles; Did Jesus really do Year 4 faith; belief; doubt miracles? Knowledge Vocabulary Jesus' miracles raised people from the dead, **Belief** – acceptance that something exists or fed thousands, controlled nature, cast out evil spirits, and healed the sick. **Christianity** – religion focussed on the life Jesus' birth was a miracle. and teachings of Jesus Christ The resurrection of Jesus was a miracle. Faith – a strong spiritual belief More than 30 of Jesus' miracles are **Miracle** – an amazing event that cannot be recorded in the Bible. explained by nature or science Jesus did many miracles. Miracles were **Doubt** – not being sure signs to show Jesus really was God's Son. There are many who doubt that the miracles took place; there were people at the time who did not believe the miracles. This is the choice that faces anyone who reads these accounts. **Activities** Explore the definition of miracle. Are there other logical or possible explanations? Think of an historic perspective to a miracle. Read and watch stories of Jesus's miracles (feeding of 5,000, stilling the storm, healing paralysed man). Talk about literal and metaphorical understanding of stories and discuss whether these stories teach important messages even if we don't believe them. Does one understanding make Jesus seem more special than the other? Does either interpretation give

## Skills

- Describe and show understanding of how the miracles of Jesus impacted on people at the time and on the church and believers today
- Describe and make links between a belief in miracles and the behaviour of Christians
- Give reasons why people do or do not believe the miracles of Jesus
- Refer to biblical quotations when explaining the miracles

the message better than the other?
Does it matter if the stories are not literally true? How do Christians with both understandings believe the stories help them? Could these stories be of use to non-Christians?