

Key Words

Addiction - being dependent on something e.g., drugs or gambling.

Baptism - the ritual of naming a child in the Christian religion.

Compassion - the ability to put yourself in someone else's shoes.

Curriculum - what is taught in a school or college.

Decent - fit and respectful

Down and outs - people without money, work, a place to live.

Encyclopaedia - A comprehensive book of information.

Ethical - principles of behaviour.

Evangelical church - use definition that was used previously?

Godparents - godparents in Christian baptism - usually relatives or friends of the family who promise to assist the parents in raising the child.

Guide parents - as above at a humanist naming ceremony.

Humanism - the belief that there is no need for God or religion to supply people's spiritual and emotional needs.

Humanists - those who follow the above belief.

Inner Light - a term used by Quakers and others for coming to religious understanding.

Inner Silence - a term used by Quakers and others for receiving religious satisfaction.

Llan Llanast - a meeting for children or young people where Bible stories are learned as families come together to do crafts.

Mainstream - generally recognised.

Mercy-seat - in the Old Testament (Exodus 25) there is mention of the Ark of the Covenant, a beautiful, golden box that held the slates of the Ten Commandments. The lid was called a mercy-seat.

Motto - a short sentence that illustrates what a person / organisation / school believes or aspires to.

Naming ceremony - naming a child - similar to baptism.

Prostitutes - people who have sex with other people in order to get money.

Quakers - a group of people who meet and worship by simple means, by being exposed to the Spirit of God and Christ.

Refuge - a safe place for someone at risk.

Semi-military people - akin to the quasi-military regime.

Slums - a poor area in a town or city where the houses are dirty and of poor quality.

Society of Friends - a more formal title for Quakers.

Supernatural - something beyond the laws of nature.

Swear an oath - make a special pledge, usually calling on God as a witness.

The United Kingdom Humanist Association - A society that seeks to bring together humanitarian groups in the United Kingdom.

Tithe - a past custom of paying a certain amount of money to the Church of England.

To profess - publicly say you believe something.

Vulnerable - open to harm or suffering.

Working conditions - people's working conditions.

Worship Meeting - Quakers' term for their 'services'.