



## Unit U2.2 Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?



### Enquiry Questions

- How does the concept of Creation fit into the timeline of the Bible's 'Big Story'?
- What type of text do some Christians say Genesis 1 is and what is its purpose?
- How can Genesis 1 be interpreted in different ways?
- What are the connections between Genesis 1 and Christian belief about God as Creator?
- Is the Genesis 1 creation narrative in conflict or complementary to a scientific account?

### What will I know by the end of the unit?

- Christians believe that God created the universe and God the Creator cares for the creation, including human beings.
- There is much debate and some controversy around the relationship between the accounts of creation in Genesis and contemporary scientific accounts.
- These debates and controversies relate to the purpose and interpretation of the texts.
- Some Christians believe that the Genesis account of creation is literally true. Some Christians see it as a poetic account to inspire worship and awe in God as creator.
- There are many scientists, throughout history and now, who are Christians.
- The discoveries of science make Christians wonder even more about the power and majesty of the Creator.



### Key Vocabulary

Christianity, Christian, belief, God, Creation, universe, world, Genesis, Bible, debate, controversy, relationship, purpose, interpretation, factual, true, poetic, power, majesty, scientific