

The Seven 'I Am' Statements of Jesus in the Gospel according to St John

Read the following 'I am' statements of Jesus from the gospel according to St John before moving on to the activity below.

'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.' (John 6:35)

'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.' (John 8:12)

'I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.' (John 10:9)

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.' (John 10:11)

'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live.' (John 11:25)

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.' (John 14:6)

'I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.' (John 15:5)

Choose one of these 'I am' statements from the gospel according to St John.

Think for a few moments about what Jesus meant when he made this statement.

Pair up with a partner and discuss the statement (or statements, if your partner has chosen a different one) and share your thoughts on the message that Jesus was seeking to convey.

Then, still working together, compose your own 'I am' statement for Jesus based on your reading and understanding of the gospel accounts.

Write this statement on the lines provided below:
