Pilgrimage

This is a selection of objects that can be used to consider the physical and spiritual journey of pilgrimage in several world religions.

You could consider:
- What is the object?
- Who might have used it and why?
- How are symbols used to express belief?

Buddhism

- Prayer wheel containing a scroll (EA1978.80)
- Stone model of the Mahabodhi temple (EA1996.4)
- Gau, or reliquary locket (EA1978.72)
- Votive plaque depicting scenes from the Buddha’s Life (EAX.415)

Hinduism

- Pilgrim map of Varanasi, or Benares (EA1966.56)
- The Jagannatha Trio within the Puri Temple (EA1967.209)
Islam

- Pilgrim token with domed building (EA2002.31)
- Cone of dust from Mecca (EAX.3287)
- Pilgrim's flask in an embroidered linen bag (EA1994.113)
- Sitarah made for the Mosque of the Prophet in Medina (EA2012.3)

Jainism

- Shrine to the teachers Jinadatta Suri and Jinakushala Suri (EA1997.189)

Shintoism

- Pilgrims at Kasuga Taisha Shrine (EAX.5361)