



## **Engage with Mystery**

To engage with mystery is to stimulate an individual's/community's interest in the unknown. The term mystery comes from the Latin *mysterium*, meaning a secret thing; something that is difficult or impossible to understand or explain. In engaging with mystery there is no intention to seek a correct or definite answer.

## This Spiritual Capability may involve:

- Creating the conditions for sustained thinking without having an answer
- Providing a safe environment for adults and students to wonder and question
- Being open to a multitude of interpretations and answers
- Taking time to reflect
- Wrangling with the bigger questions.

## Examples of educators promoting this capability could be when they:

- Encourage questioning, open mindedness and open-endedness to a variety of content
- Establish safe environments that promote the exploration of layers of interpretation and meaning
- Engage in the context of plurality everyone's experience and thinking is welcomed in the dialogue.

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