

#### **Overview of RE Curriculum**

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At Urmston Grammar, It is our firm belief that in order to understand the world, you need to understand religion. Religion is inextricably tied to our history, society and culture. The beliefs and moral standards we hold frame the lens we use to look at the world and in turn, the way we act within it.

In the Religious Studies department we provide enjoyable, meaningful, and thought-provoking learning experiences for every pupil. Within RE lessons we combine academic rigour, meaningful discussion and systematic reflection to equip our students with the powerful knowledge they need to thrive as well-rounded, well-informed citizens in later life.

Students will embark upon a process which will develop their ability to think critically and logically in evaluating some of the finest minds in history. They will learn how to construct a coherent argument, not only when crafting balanced essays, but also when entering the stimulating debates which are a common feature of lessons.

Religious studies incorporates a wide variety of topics including psychology, sociology, law and economics. Universities look favourably on the skills which are developed as they are applicable in a wide variety of disciplines. Students are given numerous opportunities to interact with members of faith communities, attend conferences and hear the testimony of university lecturers to show that religion and philosophy are not merely subjects in books but are alive and vital today.

We aim to equip all students with the ability to think for themselves as they study Religion and Worldviews. We champion all our young people as the leaders of the future and foster environments that encourage all students to be active listeners with the courage to use their voice to justify their viewpoints.

Finally, beyond the important parameters of academic study, religious studies provides students the vital opportunity to consider their own relationship with philosophy, religion and morality, which will often be a process of great importance in the way they choose to live their lives.









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Rationale/ Narrative	Include sequencing choices/ links to previous content or any subject specific pedagogy.  At KS3 we use an enquiry-based approach to study religion and worldviews adapted from the Trafford Agreed Syllabus. We have selected units that balance across the strands of 'Living', 'Believing' and 'Expressing'. Lessons within units are sequenced as 'pieces of a jigsaw'. Upon completion of any given unit, students should have the 'complete picture' and be able to respond to the overarching enquiry question in detail.  Through our curriculum in lower school we strive to fulfil the principal aim of RE; to guide pupils in systematic enquiry of significant human questions. By the end of the Key Stage we expect our students to be religiously literate and be equipped with the tools required to articulately engage in discussions around religion and belief. In doing so we aim to provide solid foundations for further study at GCSE and A level.  The religions and worldviews studied at KS3 are Christian, Muslim, Buddhist, Sikh and Humanist.					
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
WEEKS AND LESSONS	7 WEEKS- 11 LESSONS	7 WEEKS- 11 LESSONS	6 WEEKS 9 LESSONS	7 WEEKS 11 LESSONS	5 WEEKS 8 LESSONS	6 WEEKS 9 LESSONS
TOPICS/ KNOWLEDGE	belief systems. What are the foundar Christians, Muslims, What are the studying R  Accurate keep foundation Big 6' table Clear under studying reference Ninian Smareligion. Explain where religion using the studying reference to	ational beliefs for Sikhs and Buddhists? he different ways of E? nowledge the a terminology from 'The e. arrstanding on why eligion is important. art's 7 dimensions of y it is difficult to define ing some examples at is meant by as and discuss some of that might affect a	<ul> <li>Why is so radical about Jesus?</li> <li>An in-depth study about the varied Christian views of Jesus. How do people within Christianity (and other world views) understand and live out the teachings of Jesus in the world around them? Was he radical or not radical enough?</li> <li>To suggest reasons why Jesus is depicted in different ways across the globe.</li> <li>To explain the reasons why some groups of people had a problem with Jesus during his lifetime.</li> </ul>	Should religious buildings be used to feed the starving?  In depth study about the purposes and types of worship within Christianity, Sikhism and Islam. Why do places of worship exist and how do they help religious communities?  • Identify different challenges that children face in today's world including; climate change, conflicts, malnutrition, starvation and disease  • Explain purpose and functions of a Church Mosque and Gurdwara.  • Different ways Muslims 'give' to the poor and needy including the importance of the Mosque in 'giving' and	What is Good and What is difficult about being a young Muslim?  Study of Muslims and Sikhs ways of living, beliefs and communities. Exploration of challenging questions about the place of religion in Britain today.  To explore the nature and importance of the Ummah in Islam To develop and account of how a mosque functions both as a place of worship and a centre of community	In depth study of the spectrum of religious and secular world views about life after death. How do beliefs about an afterlife frame how we live, see the world, and prepare for death?









- Explain what Human and Social Sciences are and discuss some of the methods that they might use to study religion and worldviews.
- Interpret and evaluate some sources of data to discuss patterns of religion in the UK and the world.
- Explain what Theology is and discuss some of the methods that it might use to study religion and worldviews.
- Explain some different ideas that people have about God.
- Explain the difference between literalist and non-literalist approaches to religious texts.
- Explain what **Philosophy** is and discuss some of the methods that it might use to study religion and worldviews.
- Discuss some arguments for the existence of God.
- Explain some basic beliefs in shared within and between different Christian denominations.
- Explain the 6 articles of faith in Sunni Islam.
- Explain the Four Sights and the story of the Buddha.
- Explain the 5ks of Khalsa Sikhs and explore some of the challenges in wearing them.

- To know the reasons why the Jewish people in Jerusalem were awaiting the Messiah including the main reason; the brutal Roman occupation.
- To identify and describe why Jesus did NOT fit the traditional accounts of the Jewish Messiah.
- To explain with examples how Jesus' treatment of women was revolutionary for his time.
- To consider why some people believe Jesus was a pacifist.
- To know 3 miracles associated with Jesus; and how they were radical.
- To analyse the different reasons why some people see Jesus as Radical.
- To articulate the different reasons why some people believe Jesus was NOT radical.
- To be able to formulate your own opinion on whether Jesus was Radical.

- the role of the Zakah Sadagah and Lillah.
- Ways Sikhs 'give' to humanity including the role of the Gurdwara: Langar and the teachings of selfless service- Seva.
- Recite and understand the parable of the sheep and goats
- To know how Muslims give during Eid-ul - Adha and birth rites.
- Sociological perspectives regarding Religion and the purpose of worship.
- Analyse several arguments FOR selling religious buildings to feed the starving.
- Analyse several arguments AGAINST selling religious buildings to feed the starving.
- To generate your own opinion on selling Religious buildings to feed the starving.

- To recognise the Adhan and its significance
- To identify and explain the specific forms of prejudice experienced by young Muslims and how society could address this
- To explore the true nature of greater or lesser jihad
- To know the key features of the British Sikh Report
- To explore some of the unique challenges faced by the Sikh community
- To explore the tension sometimes felt by young Sikhs to uphold religious tradition and partake in contemporary culture







LS					Explain a range of belief
	Identify, recall, describe, outline, compare,	Give a supported view	Explain and interpret a	Appreciate what is	regarding the possibility
	contrast, analyse, interrogate data, evaluate	as to how radical Jesus'	range of	good about being a	life after death.
	philosophical premise, apply basic	views towards women	understandings of	teenage Sikh or	
	disciplinary skills for social science, Theology,	were.	worship.	Muslim in Britain	Account for the roots
	Philosophy			today and appraise	these diverse beliefs.
		Give a supported view	Explain how welcoming	what challenges are	
		as to how radical Jesus'	and charitable actions	involved.	Judge the importance
		views towards wealth	can be seen as worship.		this life compared to
		and poverty were.		Investigate and	hope of an afterlife,
			Consider the key	explain what Sikh or	offering different view
		Consider the question	question and evaluate	Muslim teenagers	
		of who Jesus came to	a variety of answers.	say about Western	Evaluate the impact of
		save and evaluate a		values and express	differing views of life
		variety of answers.	Express insight into the	their own views .	death on how individ
			purpose of worship, in		view earthly life.
		Express insight into the	light of different views	Explain how ancient	
		question of how radical		spiritual practices	Explain interpretation
		Jesus was, in the light	Observe and	still sustain	of views of life after
		of different views.	comment on the	believers.	death; literal or
			function of worship		metaphorical,
			in the lives of	Offer	acknowledging
		Explain, with reference	believers.	explanations to	diversity within
		to historical context,		account for how	traditions.
		how radical Jesus was.	Draw general	and why	
			conclusions about	teenagers have to	Analyse what vision
		Evaluate different	the purpose of	hold multiple	life after death refle
		views on whether	worship across	religious and	about an individual
		Christians have been	traditions, in light of	social identities in	view of existence.
		radical enough.	positive and	a diverse society.	
		_	negative views .	·	
				Examine and	
				evaluate British	
				society's	
				treatment of	
				immigrant	
				religious groups.	









ASSESSMENTS	Baseline Assessment Substantive knowledge Progress Test	Substantive knowledge Progress Test	Substantive knowledge Progress Test	Substantive knowledge Progress Test	Substantive knowledge Progress Test
					End of Year Summative Assessment
Memory and links	This unit is designed so that all students have a shared basic framework and language with which to talk about religion and world views as they progress through the curriculum.  It also covers foundational concepts for the 4 main organized worldviews that students encounter firstly at KS3, and then later on min much more depth at KS4 (Islam and Christianity)  The disciplinary lenses are skills that are revisited implicitly and explicitly throughout the 7 year curriculum.	Exploration of key feature of religion (Leaders).HT1  Use of Religious terminology and foundational beliefs in Christianity from HT1.  Varied application of KS2 knowledge of Christianity.  Clear links to GCSE Christianity Paper 1- Incarnation and codes for living.  Clear links A level Spec DCT component. Person of Jesus Christ, CMP, CMA, Gender and Theology, Gender and Society.	Exploration of key feature of religion (Worship). HT1.  Use of key terminology from what is religion HT11.  Use of foundational beliefs lesson for Sikhism, Christianity and Islam from HT1.  Links with Jesus' key teaching on poverty from HT2.  Clear Links with Islam Practices (Zakat/ Ummah/ Sawm) component of GCSE Spec Paper 1.	Exploration of key feature of religion (Commitment and Community). HT1  Importance of places of worship for young Sikhs and Muslims in Britain. HT3  Prejudice and Discrimination links to Y8 Unit 1.  Links to General RE Prejudice and Discrimination and Anti Semitism.  Broad introduction to some Islamic Practices which will provide a spring board for further study at GCSE.	Exploration of key feature of religion (Rules) living when considering the afterlife (HT1/2/3).  Use of Religious terminology and foundational beliefs in Buddhism from HT 1.  Exploration of morality. Does it come from religious authorities (like Jesus HT2) or is it innate?  Exploration of ways places of worship are used (funerals) (HT3).  Clear links to GCSE Christianity beliefs and Practices.  Provides foundation for comparison at GCSE for Islamic views of LAD.  Clear Links to A Level DCT Death and the Afterlife.  Spring board for GCSE themes regarding ethics and reasons for behaving morally.









VOCAB	Theology, Philosophy, Social Science, Artefact, Sacred, Artefact, Religion, Worship, Census, worldview, biased.	Pharisees, Messiah, Resurrection, Radical, Jewish Scholar, Gospel Pacifist.	Zakat, Sewa, Worship, Devotion, Gurdwara, Mosque, Eid Al Adha, Quran, Pilgrimage.	Diversity Ummah, Adhan, Imaam, Prejudice, Discrimination, Islamophobia. Amrit, 5ks.	Nicene Creed, Atonement, Heaven, Hell, Purgatory, Cremation, Humanist, Atheist, Morality, Agnostic, Theist, Reincarnation, Samsara, Birth, Rebirth, Liberation.
Careers	Employability Skills –teamwork, creativity, leadership presenting - Create your own religion group project and presentation  Career:  Marketing director, Retail buyers, employers, HR personnel, tableware designers, confectioners.	Employability skills - creativity Creating an acrostic poem about pacifism  Social Action group- Working to provide support and equality for all (Shelter, Women's aid, Choose love, George House Trust)	Employability Skills - research — Homework researching non- worship activities held in churches  Social Policy — Prioritising needs and evaluating housing needs within a community	Employability Skills — listening to and respectfully responding to the opinions of others on matters of diverse religious practice  Human relations roles — An understanding of Prejudice and the ability to recognise discrimination in action and in policy	Employability Skills – listening - listening sensitively to others' experiences of funerals  Medicine/Nursing/ Care work – Introduction to the value of life and alleviating suffering. Introduction to Medical Ethics counsellor, medical professionals, make up artists, funeral directors, media professionals.









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·	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2		
WEEKS AND LESSONS	7 WEEKS-	7 WEEKS	6 WEEKS	7 WEEKS	5 WEEKS	6 WEEKS		
TOPICS/ KNOWLEDGE			Do we need to prove Gods existence?  Exploration of different religion and worldviews about the importance place of belief and faith hold in their lives,  Why are Buddhists are relatively unconcerned about the idea of God? Why this is a vital matter for Christians, and why atheists reject the idea of God? The concept of proof is examined alongside related ideas about evidence, belief, perspective and interpretation.  • To know the RE definitions for proof, belief, and opinion  • To explain and evaluate the Cosmological		Why is there suffering? Is there any good reasons?  Analysis of different religious and spiritual ways of life about their view of suffering.  How do people within a religion or world view understand and live with suffering in the world around them?  • To define existential, physical and emotional suffering and their causes  • To know Biblical teachings on suffering such ad The Fall, Original Sin and the story of Job			
			Argument and the Argument  Accurately define  To articulate argumexperience as propagainst  To articulate argumexperience as propagainst  To articulate argumexperience as propagainst  The concept of Go  The Buddhist story  The nature and fur Buddhism	Aquinas 5 ways ments from religious of of God and arguments ments from religious of of God and arguments of of God and arguments of of Hoddhism y of the poison arrow	and unders  To explain reaffirmed To explain	how Christians make sense of faith stand the concept of suffering the problem of evil and how it has I or caused people to lose their faith in death the 4 Noble Truths e the different ways humans can a suffering		









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	To explore the misinformation in mainstream around lesser Jihad and how this in turn leads to Islamophobia		
SKILLS	Present a coherent account of why some see religion as a power for peace, supported by evidence.  Present a coherent account of why some see religion as a cause of conflict, supported by evidence.	Give an account of God's existence using a rational argument.  Explain a worldview which does not set out to prove God's existence.	Give informed insights into two Christian views about why people suffer, supported by evidence from biblical texts.  Contrast two views of why we suffer from two different traditions.
	Consider and evaluate views of religion in relation to peace and conflict, based on evidence and reasoning.  Examine and evaluate the ways diverse religious communities are affected by views of the impact of their religion on the world.	Offer reasons as to why we do or do not need to prove God's existence.  Evaluate whether God's existence can ever be proven.  Analyse the value of proof and faith in this debate.	Argue the case that religions do or do not offer good solutions as to why we suffer.  Consider and weigh up how far religious answers to the question of suffering are universally useful.
	Express well-informed insights into the nature of peace: active nonviolence or passive absence of war  Offer a well-informed personal response to the role of	Justify a view as to the value of the attempt to prove God's existence using rational arguments.	Evaluate critically the idea that suffering is a natural human state to which there is no solution.  Offer theological, philosophical and/or psychological
ACCECCAMENTO	conflict in the human condition; an aberration or a necessary evil		reasons for arguing that religions exist to help humans cope with suffering, fear and despair.
ASSESSMENTS	Substantive knowledge progress test	Substantive knowledge progress test	Substantive knowledge progress test
MEMORY AND LINKS	Memory:     Year 7 Term 1B What was radical about Jesus Links:     Year 11 GCSE Peace and Conflict     Y10 GCSE Crime and Punishment: Forgiveness, Reconciliation, justice     Y10 Relationships and families- Equality in Gender roles.	Memory:  Builds on Y7 Term 1A What is Religion?  Links:  Year 11 GCSE Existence of God and Revelation Year 10 GCSE Islamic Practices - Prayer	Year 8 Term 2 arguments against the existence of God     Year 7 Spring 1 - Should Religious building be sold to feed the poor?  Links:     Year 9 GCSE Christian beliefs - Creation, The Fall and The Crucifixion/ Resurrection/ Atonement     Year 9 GCSE Christian Practices — Charity     Year 10 GCSE — Islamic practices — Zakah
VOCAB	Civilians, combatant, deterrent, justice, terrorism, Khanda, Guru Nanak, Monotheism, Gurdwara, Guru Granth Sahib, Khalsa, Just War Theory, St Thomas Aquinas, Geneva Conventions, pacifism, non-violence, Martin Lither King, Segregation, Civil Rights, prejudice,	Fact, belief, opinion, atheist, agnostic, theist, Theos, agnostos, symbolism, Cosmologoical Argument, Causation, Allah, Thomas Aquinas, Cosmos, The Kalam Cosmological Argument, faith, Salah, contingent, infinite, "5 Ways", faith, religious experience, prayer, miracle,	Suffering, poverty, hunger, disease, Human and Natural Suffering/evil, ignorance, intentional, emotional/ physical/ existential suffering, relative and absolute suffering, Free Will, The Fall, Evil, Job, Genesis, Proverbs, Sin, temptation, betrayal, crucifixion, Lazarus, David Hume, omnipotent,









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	discrimination, stereotype, Jihad, lesser jihad, greater jihad	numinous, conversion, The Buddha, Nirvana, Enlightenment, Rebirth, Karuna, Four Noble Truths, Eightfold Path, Lovingkindness, meditation, moral evil, natural evil, cultivation, Richard Dawkins, pluralism, humanist, Big Bang, Evolution, Design, natural selection, Creationism, Intelligent design, illusion	omnibenevolent, philosophical, theological, psychological Four Noble truths, Siddhartha Gautama, cravings, greed, Middle Way, Eightfold Path, enlightenment, nirvana, Karuna
Careers	Employability Skills - teamwork; problem-solving; listening - Group work on Jihad – deciding which group will be given assistance based on concepts Just War and Jihad  Journalism/ Media - Students examined the bias in The Media and subsequent impact on prejudices and discrimination towards Islam.  The Armed Forces – Students have considered what makes a war "Just" and what is considered a" War Crime". This will prepare students for the reality of being a combatant in the Armed Forces.  Human relations roles – An understanding of Prejudice and the ability to recognise discrimination in action and in policy	Employability Skills - problem-solving - Detective task in Lesson 4 - Personal religious experience  All careers requiring presenting and supporting a point of view (e.g. Law, Journalism, Politics ) - Analysing concepts of proof and faith, presenting their own opinions and justifying these with evidence.	Employability Skills - problem-solving; presenting — Lessons 7 & 8 — Are there any good solutions to suffering? Students evaluate a variety of responses and formulate their own opinions of them Staying positive — focusing on solutions to suffering  Charities Sector — Focus on alleviating suffering prepares students for careers in charities.  Housing Associations and Local Authority Housing — Students have considered the importance of high-quality housing in alleviating poverty.  Social work/ Healthcare/ All caring professions — Students have considered how people can alleviate suffering.









Year Group	9 GCSE AQA specification A					
Rationale/ Narrative	Christianity and Islam as th passion, enable them to de how religious beliefs and property why some aspects of script whilst upholding contemporary.	me in lower school, every student is best reflects the demographic evelop their cultural and moral variances shape the lives of believe cure may contrast with attitudes orary British values. The course is exaction, revision and long term re	of our student body. We feel alues and support them in becomers. Students will look at religion in modern society and how restaught using booklets to ensu	the themes we have selected forming active citizens. In their ous scriptures - with a specific ligious believers assimilate the	rom AQA specifically are ones with the constant of study students will focus on Islam and Christianity two in a way that ensures they	which will spark our students deepen their knowledge of - and consider their authority; remain true to their faith
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
WEEKS AND LESSONS	7 WEEKS- 14 LESSONS	7 WEEKS- 14 LESSONS	5 WEEKS 10 LESSONS	5 WEEKS 10 LESSONS	7 WEEKS 14LESSONS	6. 5WEEKS 12 LESSONS
TOPICSS/ KNOWLEDGE	teachings, the crucifixion, a great commission, life after Start first 4 lessons of Islam	r death. mic beliefs Shia Split, The 4 Rightly Guided	Islamic Beliefs  The nature of God and Tawhid, Prophethood, Muhammed (pbuh), Articles of faith, Roots of Usul A Din, Judgement day, Life after death, Angels, predestination.	Peace and Conflict  Violence and conflict Forms of violence, War, Justification of violence, Just War theory.  Peace and peace making Pacifism, Non-violence as force, Value of peace Forgiveness and reconciliation: Forgiveness, Justice, fairness and injustice, Reconciliation	Crime  Sin, Crime, Aims of punishment, types of punishment, Death penalty, corporate punishment, Forgiveness, Repentance	Christian Practices  Eucharist, Pilgrimage, Easter, Christmas, Christian charity, Worship, Prayer, Mission and Evangelism, Reconciliation and the world wide Church.
SKILLS	Identifying, Describing, Exp	plaining, Comparing and Contras	ting Analysing, Sustaining a cr	itical line of argument, Evaluat	ing and reaching a Justified Co	nclusion
ASSESSMENTS	Identifying, Describing, Explaining, Comparing and Contra  Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark question planning  End of unit Past Paper.		Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark question planning  End of unit Past Papes		Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark question planning.  End of unit Past Papers	
MEMORY AND LINKS	Memory:		Memory:	Memory:	Memory:	Memory:









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	Year 7 Term 1 - What is religion? Builds on foundational lesson on Christianity Year 8 Term 3 - Why is there suffering? Revisiting The Fall in Gensis and the story of Job and considering them as theodicies  Links: Foundational beliefs underpin the different denominational responses to the Themes considered in the Themes paper Foundational beliefs also underpin Practices.  DCT: Person of Jesus Christ DCT: Death and the Afterlife DCT: Christian Moral Principles	Year 7 Term 1 - What is religion? Builds on foundational lesson on Islam Year 7 Spring 2 - What is good and what is difficult about being a young Muslim?  Links: Foundational beliefs underpin the different denominational responses to the Themes considered in the Themes paper Foundational beliefs also underpin Practices.	Is religion a power for pace or a cause of conflict?  DCT Person of Jesus Christ, Christian Moral Principles, Christian Moral Action, Liberation Theology  GCSE Links with Christian and Islamic Practices	Year 8 Unit 1 – Is religion a power for peace or a cause of conflict Year 8 Unit 3 – What us suffering? Are there any good solutions to suffering? Crime and Concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation  Links: Peace and Conflict, Liberation Theology Person of Jesus Christ: Teacher of wisdom	Year 7 Term 1 - What is religion? Builds on foundational lesson on Christianity Links: Y7 Was Jesus radical? Links: DCT: Christian moral Principles GCSE Christian Beliefs
SMSC, BRITISH VALUES	Mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith – as upheld by the Equality Act 2010  Personal: What can a Christian learn from Jesus examples?  Moral: What lessons about prejudice and inequality can be learnt from Christs example?	Social/Cultural – impact of key beliefs on social/cultural structures like fasting & zakat.  Moral – teachings Judgement Day and how they may affect human behavior Spiritual- Are angels still relevant in the modern world? Personal- What is the best way for a Muslim to understand Allah  Values – individual liberty linked to freedom of religious belief & Equality Act.	Social- What conflicts are happening in the world.  Cultural- The impact that global conflicts have on individual societies and cultures  Personal- Exploration of the responsibility to protest and the responses of conscientious objectors.  Moral- Exploration of responses to conflict and injustice	Social- How should we treat those who break the law?  Moral- Who and how should we judge others?  Spiritual- How do our life choices effect what happens when we die?  Personal- Consideration of what the ultimate aim of punishment should be.	Mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith – as preached by Jesus in the parable of the Good Samaritan.  Individual liberty – the Christian emphasis on Social: The role and importance of the world wise Church  Spiritual: The importance and variety of ways Christians demonstrate their faith how this varies between denomination and cultures.
VOCAB	Denominations Catholics, Protestants, Church of England,	Allah, immanence, transcendence,	Conscientious objector, conventional warfare,	Law & Order, Evil, Justice, Morality, Conscience, Sin,	Liturgy, Liturgical worship, non-liturgical worship,









	Omnipotent, Omni benevolence, Trinity, Resurrection, Judgement, Incarnation, crucifixion, salvation, atonement, reconciliation, The Ascension	omnipotent, merciful, justice, Makkah, Quran, Surah, Hadith, Sunnah, Akhirah, Day of Judgement, Qadr, Sunni, Shi'a	Justice, Pacifism, Reconciliation, Retaliation, Protest, Amnesty, Terrorism, Nuclear	Hate crimes, prejudice, deterrence, retribution, reformation, absolute, Atonement.	charismatic worship. The Rosary, Meditation, Prayer. Sacraments: Infant Baptism, Believers Baptism, The Eucharist (Holy Communion), transubstantiation. Pilgrimage, Christmas, Holy Week and Easter. Food Banks, Street Pastors, Christian Mission, Evangelism. Persecution, Reconciliation. Poverty in LEDCs
Careers	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem- solving; creativity; listening; presenting - Incarnation and Birth narratives lesson – Students' research one area and then conduct a jigsaw task presenting their area, listening to other students in their group and making relevant notes problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive – Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback  Visual Merchandiser Marketing Product Designer Creative Media HR	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem-solving; creativity; listening; presenting; aiming high; and staying positive  problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive — Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback Visual Merchandiser Marketing Product Designer Creative Media HR	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem-solving; creativity; listening; presenting; aiming high; and staying positive  United Nations Global Goals employee Amnesty international Ambassador Councilor	Employability Skills - problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive — Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback  Human relations roles — An understanding of Prejudice and the ability to recognise discrimination in action and in policy and creating equal opportunities policy  Youth Offending Team Probation officer Lawyer Police officer	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem-solving; creativity; listening; presenting; aiming high; and staying positive problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive — Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback  Careers in Global development — An understanding of Poverty in LEDCs  Prison Spiritual Advisor, Funeral Director









Year Group	10 AQA Religious Studies Specification A							
Rationale/ Narrative	We have chosen the AQA syllabus with a specific focus on Christianity and Islam as this best reflects the demographic of our student body. We feel the themes we have selected from AQA specifically are ones which will spark our student's passion, enable them to develop their cultural and moral values and support them in becoming active citizens. In their							
	focus on Islam and Ch the two in a way that worldviews on moral	dents will deepen their knowledge or ristianity - and consider their autho ensures they remain true to their fa issues such as the environment and ove the same high quality learning ex	of scripture may contrast with att ntemporary British values. Studen e, the family, crime and punishme	itudes in modern society and ts will also consider more bro ent; and peace and conflict. Th	how religious believers assimilate badly Christian, Islamic and secular ne course is taught using booklets to			
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2		
WEEKS AND LESSONS	7 WEEKS- 7	7 WEEKS- 7 LESSONS	5 WEEKS 5 LESSONS	5 WEEKS 5 LESSONS	5 WEEKS 5 LESSONS	6 WEEKS 6 LESSONS		
TOPICS/ KNOWLEDGE	Crime and Punishme	<u>nt</u>	Christian Practices	<u>.</u>	Islamic Practices			
	Sin, Crime, Aims of punishment, types of punishment, Death penalty, corporate punishment, Forgiveness, Repentance		Worship, Prayer, N	Eucharist, Pilgrimage, Easter, Christmas, Christian charity, Worship, Prayer, Mission and Evangelism, Reconciliation and the world wide Church.		The five Pillars: declaration of faith, prayer, fasting, charity, pilgrimage, Eid, Ashura  Sunni and Shia differences		
SKILLS	Identifying, Describing	g, Explaining, Comparing and Contra	asting Analysing, Susta	ining a critical line of argument, E	valuating and reaching a Just	ified Conclusion		
ASSESSMENTS	Answering different e	xam style questions.	Answering differer	nt exam style questions.	Answering different	Answering different exam style questions.		
	12 mark questions.		12 mark questions.		12 mark questions.	12 mark questions.		
	End of unit Past Pape	r.	End of unit Past Paper.		End of unit Past Pap	er.		
Memory and Links	conflict Year 8 Unit 3 – What us suffering? Are there any good solutions to suffering? Crime and Concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation		Memory: • Year 7 Term 1 - What is religion? Builds on foundational lesson on Christianity Links: Y7 Was Jesus radical?		foundational le Links: GCSE			
	Links:  Peace and Conflict, Li  Person of Jesus Christ	<u>.</u>	Links: DCT: Christian mor GCSE Christian Beli	•	Link with all themes	раретѕ		
Vocab		tice, Morality, Conscience, Sin, Hate errence, retribution, reformation,	charismatic worshi	vorship, non-liturgical worship, ip. The Rosary, Meditation, Prayer Baptism, Believers Baptism, The		Makkah, Kaaba, Zamzam, Al-Safa and rafat, Muzdalifah, Jamarat, Madinah,		









		Eucharist (Holy Communion), transubstantiation. Pilgrimage, Christmas, Holy Week and Easter. Food Banks, Street Pastors, Christian Mission, Evangelism. Persecution, Reconciliation. Poverty in LEDCs	mosque, minaret, mihrab, qiblah, 10 Obligatory Acts of Shiaism, Jihad, Eid ul Fitr, Eid ul Adha, Ashura
Careers	Employability Skills - problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive — Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem- solving; creativity; listening; presenting; aiming high; and staying positive	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem- solving; creativity; listening; presenting; aiming high; and staying positive
	Human relations roles – An understanding of Prejudice and the ability to recognise discrimination in action and in policy and creating equal opportunities policy	problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive – Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback	problem-solving, aiming high, staying positive – Peer marking tasks and providing constructive feedback
	Youth Offending Team Probation officer	Careers in Global development – An understanding of Poverty in LEDCs	Visual Merchandiser Marketing buyer Product Designer
	Lawyer Police officer	Prison Spiritual Advisor, Funeral Director	Creative Media HR Interfaith Network

Year Group	11 AQA Religious Studies Specification A							
Rationale/	We have chosen the AQA syl	We have chosen the AQA syllabus with a specific focus on Christianity and Islam as this best reflects the demographic of our student body. We feel the themes we have selected						
Narrative	from AQA specifically are ones which will spark our student's passion, enable them to develop their cultural and moral values and support them in becoming active citizens. In their first year of study students will deepen their knowledge of how religious beliefs and practices shape the lives of believers. Students will look at religious scriptures - with a specific focus on Islam and Christianity - and consider their authority; why some aspects of scripture may contrast with attitudes in modern society and how religious believers assimilate the two in a way that ensures they remain true to their faith whilst upholding contemporary British values. Students will also consider more broadly Christian, Islamic and secular worldviews on moral issues such as the environment and the value of human life, the family, crime and punishment; and peace and conflict. The course is taught using booklets to ensure all students have the same high quality learning experience. We also use this method of teaching to support organization, revision and long term retention.							
	Autumn 1	Autumn 1 Autumn 2 Spring 1 Spring 2 Summer 1 Summer 2						
WEEKS AND LESSONS	7 WEEKS- 10 LESSONS	7 WEEKS-	6 WEEKS	7 WEEKS	4 WEEKS			
		10 LESSONS	9 LESSONS	7LESSONS (mocks)	6 LESSONS Until Exam			
TOPICS/ KNOWLEDGE	Christian Practices	Islamic Practices	Religion and Life	Relationship and families				
	Eucharist, Pilgrimage, Easter, Christmas, Christian charity, Worship, Christian charity, Worship, Eucharist, Pilgrimage, Easter, Christmas, Christian charity, Worship, Charity, pilgrimage, Eid, Eucharist, Pilgrimage, Religion & Life (origins & value of human life) The role of parents and the family, nature and purpose of marriage, pre and extramarital sex, cohabitation, same sex relationships and civil partnerships, contraception,							
	Prayer, Mission and Ashura Abortion, euthanasia, life gender roles, prejudice and equality							
	Evangelism, Reconciliation		after death, use and abuse					
		Sunni and Shia differences						









	and the world wide		of animals, creation, the		
SKILLS	Church.  Identifying, Describing, Expla	ining, Comparing and Contras	environment ting Analysing, Sustaining a crit	 tical line of argument, Evaluati	ing and reaching a Justified Cor
ASSESSMENTS	Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark questions.  End of unit Past Paper.	Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark questions.  End of unit Past Paper.	Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark questions.  End of unit Past Paper.	Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark questions.  End of unit Past Paper.	Answering different exam style questions.  12 mark questions.  End of unit Past Paper.
Memory and Links	Memory: • Year 7 Unit 3 - Should religious building be sold to feed the poor? Christian beliefs	Memory:  • Year 7 Term 1 What is religion? Builds on foundational lesson on Islam  • Y8- Jihad Links: GCSE Link with all themes papers	Memory GCSE Paper 1- Creation stories KS3- is death the end? Doe it matter? A level: Ethics: specifically Euthanasia	relationships, role Links with A level G Link with A level G Link with Y12 Sum Link with religious Natural Law and S Link to Sex Ethics (	Gender and Society (Y13 SP) ender and Theology (Y13 SP) mer- CPM normative ethics Y12- ituation Ethics (Aut 1)
Vocab	Liturgy, Liturgical worship, non-liturgical worship, charismatic worship. The Rosary, Meditation, Prayer. Sacraments: Infant Baptism, Believers Baptism, The Eucharist (Holy Communion), transubstantiation. Pilgrimage, Christmas, Holy Week and Easter. Food Banks, Street Pastors, Christian Mission, Evangelism. Persecution, Reconciliation. Poverty in LEDCs	Jummuah prayer Sawm, Zakah, Hajj, Makkah, Kaaba, Zamzam, Al-Safa and Al-Marwa, Mount Arafat, Muzdalifah, Jamarat, Madinah, mosque, minaret, mihrab, qiblah, 10 Obligatory Acts of Shiaism, Jihad, Eid ul Fitr, Eid ul Adha, Ashura	Sacred, sanctity of life, quality of life, vegetarian, vegan, abortion, foetus, pro-life, pro-choice, euthanasia, hospice, soul, spirit, sentient	Heterosexual, Homosexual, commitment, cohabitation, family, divorce, remarriage, gender equality, Stability, Egalitarian, eternity, sacrament, fidelity, monogamous	







Careers	Employability Skills -	Employability Skills -	Careers: NGO, Doctor,	Employability Skills - teamwork; leadership; problem-
	teamwork; leadership;	teamwork; leadership;	Palliative care nurse,	solving; creativity; listening; presenting; aiming high;
	problem-solving; creativity;	problem-solving;	lawyer, MP	and staying positive
	listening; presenting;	creativity; listening;		, open
	aiming high; and staying	presenting; aiming high;		Family Planning Doctor
	positive	and staying positive		Celebrant
	Positive	and out, mg points		Solicitor
	problem-solving, aiming	problem-solving, aiming		Relationship Councilor
	high, staying positive –	high, staying positive –		Social Worker
	Peer marking tasks and	Peer marking tasks and		
	providing constructive	providing constructive		
	feedback	feedback		
	Prison Spiritual Advisor	Visual Merchandiser		
	Events Planner	Marketing buyer		
	Global Fund	Product Designer		
	International Aid	Creative Media		
	Coordinator	HR		
		Interfaith Network		

Year Group	12 OCR Specification Ethics Philosophy and DCT							
Rationale/	Students are taught by two specialist teachers. The content is split and delivered by two member of staff in tandem to allow staff to maximize their subject knowledge and support							
Narrative	students in making synoptic links from across the course.							
	<u>HST- Narrative</u>							
	Ethics: Students start off by c	onsidering two religious norma	ative ethical theories before co	mparing them to the two secu	lar theories on spec. Students t	then apply them to specific		
	moral issue (Euthanasia and I	Business ethics)						
	DCT= Students start off by co	nsidering the nature of Person	of Jesus Christ as the defining	figure in Christianity. They thei	n analyse how and why there is	variation in Christian Moral		
	Values by exploring the differ	ing emphasis placed on scriptu	are, the church and reason by c	lifferent denominations. Stude	nts complete the course by loc	king at historical Christian		
	Bonhoeffer and how his inter	pretation of Christian morality	inspired his actions in the seco	nd World War.				
	AUT- Narrative							
	Philosophy- Students begin the	Philosophy- Students begin the course by studying the foundation blocks of western Philosophy – Plato and Aristotle; their epistemology and meta physics. This is followed by a						
	closely related topic- the mind, body and soul. Once this is completed a logical leap to the DCT unit; Christian beliefs on life after death is made. This is followed by 2 more DCT							
	units, Knowledge of God and	units, Knowledge of God and St Augustine and Human Nature. Towards the end of the year students turn back to Philosophy and complete their first A Level year by studying						
	arguments FOR God based or	n observation, experience and	reason. The final two Philosoph	ny units include religious experi	ences and arguments against (	God; Evil and Suffering (this		
	unit normally continues into	year 13).						
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2		
TOPICS/ KNOWLEDGE	AUT	·	AUT		AUT			
	Ancient philosophical influen	ces	Religious experience The problem of evil					









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	Soul, mind and body DCT – Christian view on Life after Death DCT- St. Augustine and Human Nature DCT- Knowledge of God	Arguments for God based on observation Arguments for God based on reason	
	HST Normative Ethics: Natural Law Situation Ethics Utilitarianism Kant	HST Applied Ethics Business Ethics Euthanasia	HST DCT Person of Jesus Christ Christian Moral Principles Christian Moral Action
SKILLS	Application, Critical analysis, Evaluation, Sustaining a critical appreciation of religious thought and its contribution to in	al line of argument, Rigorous study of religion and belief and o dividuals, communities and societies.	consideration of its relevance to the wider world,
ASSESSMENTS	40 mark essay question after each unit covered. mocks		
Memory and Links	AUT Links to the year 8 unit on life after death and the GCSE units on Christian beliefs.  HST Memory- Basic comparisons may be drawn between religious and atheist methods of moral judgement as explored in GCSE Themes. Links to Applied Ethics Sex Ethics SE- Conscience NL- Christian Moral Principles Conscience and Meta Ethics	AUT Links to the GCSE Philosophy units on Design, Cosmological argument and moral argument.  HST Memory: Links to applied ethics in GCSE (abortion, euthanasia, dialogues) Reinforces understanding of normative ethical theories. Links with Sexual Ethics Y13.	AUT Links to the GCSE unit- Christian responses to suffering- theodicies.  HST  Memory Y7- Was Jesus Radical, Christian beliefs the Incarnation
Vocab	AUT A priori, A Posterior, Reason. Logic, Metaphysics, Epistemology, Ideals, Empiricism,  HST Telos, eudaimonia, teleological, deontological, precept, absolute, relative, reason, agape, duty, hedonism, doctrine of double effect, summon bonum, categorial imperative, hypothetical imperative, duty goodwill	AUT: Ineffable, Passive, Noetic, Transient, Teleological, Aquinas, Cosmological, Ontological, Corporate, Visions, Voices,  HST  Corporate social responsibility, globalization, whistleblowing, hypocritical window dressing, capitalization, tokenism, sustainability, corruption, cost minimization, stakeholder, consumer.  Active euthanasia, passive euthanasia, Dignitas, assisted suicide, slippery slope, sanctity of life, quality of life, dignity, free will, doctrine of double effect.	AUT: Inconsistent Triad, Evil, suffering, Theodicy, Soul Making, Hume, Augustine, Likeness, Image  HST Trinity, Miracle, hypostatic union, homoousious, consciousness, doctrine, divine, wisdom, liberator,  Heteronomous, Theonomous, autonomous, Biblicist, literalist, hermeneutics,.









Careers	<ul> <li>Pursuing Law, Compliance, And Policy In The Public Interest</li> <li>Empowering And Educating Youth</li> <li>Incorporating Values Into Academic Research, Scholarship, And Higher Education</li> <li>Making Change Through Public Service, Non-Profit Work, and Philanthropy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Advancing Health and Social Justice</li> <li>Encouraging Socially-Responsible Business and Social Entrepreneurship</li> <li>Palliative Care</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Biblical Scholar</li> <li>University Lecturer</li> <li>Teacher</li> </ul>
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Year Group	13 OCR Specification 8	Ethics Philosophy and DCT					
Rationale/ Narrative	Students are taught by two specialist teachers. The content is split and delivered by two member of staff in tandem to allow staff to maximize their subject knowledge and support students in making synoptic links from across the course.  HST- Narrative  Ethics: Students start the year by exploring. The concept of conscience as the driving force behind moral behavior. Students then move on to explore Sexual Ethics and utilize how well ethical theories are in practicality when applied to the sexuality in contemporary modern society. Students then round off the Ethics component  .						
	AUT- Narrative Philosophy- Students begin the course by studying the foundation blocks of western Philosophy – Plato and Aristotle; their epistemology and meta physics. This is followed by a closely related topic- the mind, body and soul. Once this is completed a logical leap to the DCT unit; Christian beliefs on life after death is made. This is followed by 2 more DCT units, Knowledge of God and St Augustine and Human Nature. Towards the end of the year students turn back to Philosophy and complete their first A Level year by studying arguments FOR God based on observation, experience and reason. The final two Philosophy units include religious experiences and arguments against God; Evil and Suffering (tunit normally continues into year 13).						
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1		
TOPICS/ KNOWLEDGE	AUT Philosophy- Religious Language DCT- Religious Pluralism and Theology HST  DCT: DCT- Gender and Theology DCT- Gender and Society Ethics: Meta Ethics		AUT DCT- Secularism Philosophy- Natur HST Ethics: Conscience Sex Ethics	DCT- Secularism Philosophy- Nature of God  HST Ethics: Conscience		continued	
SKILLS		Application, Critical analysis, Evaluation, Sustaining a critical line of argument, Rigorous study of religion and belief, Consideration of its relevance to the wider world, Appreciation of religious thought and its contribution to individuals, communities and societies.					









ASSESSMENTS	40 mark essay question after each unit covered. 2 X Mocks					
Memory and Links	AUT Remarkably close links to Psychology and Sociology, Marx and Freud as well as Linguistics- the role and function of language in society.	AUT Close links to the Sociology topic Religion and society as well as the Philosophy of religion units- proof of God based upon the observation and reason.	AUT Close links to the Sociology topic Religion and society as well as the Philosophy of religion units- proof of God based upon the observation and reason.			
	HST <b>Memory:</b> Gender and Theology and Gender and Society: Relationships and Families GCSE this unit <b>Links:</b> Meta Ethics- Clear links with Religious Language	HST: Memory: Conscience: Links to psychology VS Theology (Pluralism) Sex Ethics- Links with PSE strand 'Healthy Relationships' All normative ethics from y12 t have to be applied to this	HST- Links to Christian Moral Principles Links to Christian Moral Actions  Memory GCSE Peace and Conflict			
Vocab	AUT The Cataphatic way, the Apophatic way, Myth, Symbol, Analogy, Language Games, Verification Principle, Falsification principle, Parables, Literalist, Liberalist,	AUT Secular, Secularization, Theocracy, Religious, simple, Omnipotent, Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnibenevolent, Predestination, Free Will.	AUT Secular, Secularization, Theocracy, Religious, simple, Omnipotent, Omniscient, Omnipresent, Omnibenevolent, Predestination, Free Will.			
	HST Ratio, Synderesis, Consientia, Id, Ego, Superego, Unconscious, Pre conscious, Cognitive, Non cognitive, Emotivist, Intuitionist, Naturalist	HST Feminism, Mullieris Dignatatem, Egalitarian, Complementarianism, Davidic Messiah, Servant King, Sophia, Thealogy, Patriarchy, Gender Expression, Gender biology, Gender Identification	HST Orthodoxy, Orthpraxis, Alienation, Capitalism, Conscientisisation, Structural Sin, Preferential treatment of the poor.			
Careers	Educational Psychologist Psychiatrist Social Anthropologist Youth offending teams	Women Ed UN Women Human resources Gender Equality and Social inclusion coordinator COP26 Climate and Gender Commitments Consultant	Economist Journalist Political Commentator			





