



Curriculum Overview

Curriculum Area: Religious Studies

Year: 11

Curriculum covered

Religion, Philosophy, and ethics in the modern world from a Christian perspective

Autumn Term:

Paper 2 Relationships and Families:

The role and purpose of families, marriage, other types of sexual relationships, contraception, when relationships end, roles of men and women, equality, gender prejudice and discrimination.

Spring Term:

Paper 2 Religion, Peace and Conflict:

Violence, terrorism, just war, holy war, Christian attitudes to warfare, pacifism, working for peace, forgiveness and reconciliation and social justice.

Summer Term:

Paper 2 Dialogue between religious and non-religious beliefs and attitudes:

Christianity in Britain, religion on public life, secularisation, clashes between religion, tradition and secular law, Christian attitudes towards each other and other groups, inter faith dialogue, Christianity and non-religious world views, potential areas of disagreement and difference between Christianity and atheism, agnosticism, humanism, and secularism.

Internal Assessment

Mid and end of unit exams:

- Relationships and families
- Religion, Peace and Conflict
- Dialogue between religious and non-religious beliefs and attitudes.
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Year 11 Mock exams – 2022

- Full Paper 1 GCSE
- Partial Paper 2 GCSE

Year 11 Mock - 2023.

- Full Paper 1 GCSE
- Partial Paper 2 GCSE

Exam Board/Exam Paper Requirements/% Weighting

Key dates (mocks and final exams)

Religious Studies OCR. Pupils will complete 3 exams at the end of Year 11.

Paper 1 is split into 2 separate exams 2x1 hour and worth 50%.

Paper 2 is 2 hours and worth 50%.

Paper 1: Pupils study the beliefs, teachings, and practices of two of the following major world religions: Christianity and Islam. Exams focus on:

Christianity – Beliefs, Teachings and Practices (worth 25% of final marks)

Islam – Beliefs, Teachings and Practices (worth 25% of final marks)

Paper 2: Pupils study different philosophical and ethical arguments and their impact and influence in the modern world from the perspective of Christianity (worth 50% and is 2 hours). There are four themes of study:

Relationships and families, The existence of God/gods/ultimate reality, Religion, peace and conflict, Dialogue within and between religions and non-religious beliefs.

Helpful resources/revision guides/websites/exam preparation

<http://www.rsrevision.com/contents/index.htm>

<http://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/240547-specification-accredited-gcse-religious-studies-j625.pdf>

Revision guides and booklets: Hodder OCR.

Revision classes – after school.

Revision days

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zhwy7nb>