

Preparation for A-Level : Philosophy Introduction

Remember this is A-Level work, it is difficult and it is ok if you do not fully understand it. It often takes several lessons with a teacher to understand it so working on your own may be difficult but give it a go.

Philosophy is the study of fundamental knowledge – trying to understand what we can know and be sure of whilst questioning everything.

One third of your RE A-Level is the study of philosophy. Together we will tackle big questions such as....

- Does God exist? How can we be sure?
- Does religion do more harm than good?
- Can we trust language or when we speak do we all mean different things?
- Is religion just a product of the mind or a disease?

To begin it is always good to hear a range of views so you can broaden your understanding and become open to other people's ideas....



Youtube "The Big Question Is there a God?"
Watch the video below and complete the table.



The Big Question - Is there a God? BBC Documentary
Quantum Digital • 293K views • 7 years ago

In this special Big Questions BBC edition from Warrington UK The Big Question: evidence for God?

Arguments for the existence of God...	Arguments to suggest God doesn't exist	Arguments to suggest God may exist BUT not as Christians know him (all-loving, all-powerful etc...

- Once you have completed the table using the video see if there is anything you could add.
- Now rank the views – which are the best arguments and which are not as good
- Using this work and any further research you wish to do consider these questions...
 1. Do you believe in God? Why?
 2. Why might someone disagree with you?
- Share what you have been studying with someone at home and see if they will enter into a debate with you