

Religious Studies



Off to KS4
Core Religious Education
(compulsory)
AQA GCSE Religious Studies
(option)

Year 9

Unit One: What is my moral code?
Unit Two: Religious Authority
 Mini Unit: The Holocaust
Unit Three: Religion, Rules and Rebels



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Christianity and Islam – beliefs and practices.

Thematic Studies – Families and Relationships, Religion and Life, Existence of God and Revelation, Crime and Punishment.

How can we navigate the world?

The world around us is increasingly complex, so questions of right and wrong have become ever more important. How do non-religious people decide what is right and wrong without scripture and religious communities? Should we follow rules all the time? If we experience an injustice, should we speak up and risk breaking the rules, or would it be better to be a bystander?

How can we understand the world?

Now that we know where world religions originate from, we can start to think about how they put these fundamental beliefs into practice. Starting from the beginning of time, what might religious (or non-religious people!) believe about how the world was created? How many religious people experience God, and what is the relevance of these experiences? And finally, we can begin to question if there is an afterlife, and the factors that influence different views on the afterlife.

Going back to where it all began...

Beginning with the Ancient Greeks to think about the origins of Philosophy and Theology, before going on to the ancient origins of Abrahamic and Dharmic Faiths. These units are designed to encourage you to understand the fundamental underpinnings of world religions to prepare you for applied theological content in years eight and nine, and to give a fresh perspective on world religions.

Year Eight

Unit One: Let There Be Light!
Unit Two: Religious Authority
 Mini-Unit: The Holocaust
Unit Three: Experiencing God
Unit Four: Understanding the Afterlife



Year Seven

Unit One: Ancient Origins of Thought
Unit Two: The Legacy of Abraham
 Mini Unit: The Holocaust
Unit Three: Prophethood
Unit Four: Walking the Path of Dharma

