KS3 Progress Descriptors

Acquiring	Developing	Securing	Extending
Define Skill (a)	Describe Skill (b)	Explain Skill (c)	Discuss/Evaluate Skill (d)
Define key terms. Use some religious words and phrases	Describe beliefs, teachings and practices Use religious vocabulary and terms	Explain how and why similarities and differences arise. Use a wide religious vocabulary	Evaluation Use a wide religious and philosophical vocabulary. Use religious ideas, teachings and morality Explore some different and/or opposing view points Make a reasonable judgment about the views in your answer
Show knowledge of key terms by giving a definition of the term/concept.	Describe similarity and difference by using a variety of beliefs systems, comparing and contrasting them. Make links to how belief affects behaviour	Show understanding of how beliefs influence the way people live. Show secure understanding of the diversity from within a religion or across religions, including non-religious views if relevant	Use an appropriate and sophisticated religious vocabulary Analyse and interpret various religious, spiritual and non-religious celebrations Analyse different and/or opposing viewpoints.
Give an example to support the definition.	Show knowledge and understanding by giving a more detailed outline of a belief, teaching or practice Give examples to support ideas	Explain why differences exist and compare with other faiths and non- religious view points To be able to say how there are similarities and differences between peoples' responses to social and moral issues because of their beliefs.	Weigh up strengths and weaknesses Use a wide range variety of sources to evaluate a particular position or faith/non-faith perspective.
Identify key facts, teachings and beliefs by giving more detail about the key term/concept.	Refer to practice and belief in the description. Say how there are similarities and differences between responses to social and moral issues because of their beliefs.	Use some sources as evidence and to strengthen explanation. Link belief to practice consistently and assess the impact on a believer. Link belief to practice consistently and assess the impact it has on a believer.	Use a wide variety of sources Carry out an in-depth study of a range of faiths, religions, beliefs and teachings, and be able to examine in detail how key texts are interpreted by believers.