

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## Careers in...

RE

Advice for Year 10 & Year 11 Pupils



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# Why Religious Education?

- 1. Broad Understanding:** It helps you understand various cultures, beliefs, and practices, which is valuable in our diverse world.
- 2. Critical Skills:** You'll develop critical thinking, communication, and ethical reasoning skills.
- 3. Personal Growth:** It encourages self-reflection and understanding of your own and others' identities and values.



## 1. Exploring Careers in Religious Education

Religious Education can lead to careers in various fields, including:

- **Law:** Understanding ethical and moral issues is crucial.
  - **Education:** Teaching Religious Studies or related subjects.
  - **Journalism:** Reporting on cultural and religious issues.
  - **Government and Politics:** Working on policy related to cultural and religious diversity.
  - **Non-Profit Sector:** Working with charities and community organisations.
  - **Spiritual Leadership:** Roles such as clergy or spiritual advisors
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## 2. Skills Development in GCSE Religious Education

Studying GCSE Religious Education helps you develop:

- **Critical Thinking:** Analysing complex issues from multiple perspectives.
  - **Communication:** Articulating ideas clearly and respectfully.
  - **Tolerance and Empathy:** Understanding and respecting diverse viewpoints.
  - **Decision Making:** Making informed and ethical choices.
  - **Collaboration:** Working effectively with others.
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### 3. Subject Combinations and Education Pathways

- **At School:** Pair RE with subjects like English, Economics or IT to prepare for specialised careers.
- **Further Education:** Study Philosophy and ethics at A-level, then pursue degrees in RE, Teaching, or Business.
- **Apprenticeships in related fields** like Teaching, Community health and wellbeing worker, Children, young people and families practitioner.

**CARDINAL  
NEWMAN  
COLLEGE**

**RUNSHAW  
COLLEGE**

**PRESTON  
COLLEGE**



## 4. Religious Education in the Real World

- **Explore Interests:** Take part in related extra-curricular activities or volunteer work which contributes to Priority Plus.
- **Research Careers:** Use resources like the National Careers Service to explore different roles.
- **Plan Your Path:** Consider what qualifications and experiences you'll need for your chosen career.







## 5. What Can You Do Now?

### Year 10:

- **Start exploring career options** and talk to your teachers about career-related projects.
- **Engage fully in your Religious Education GCSE trips** - they give real-world insight into the subject.

### Year 11:

- **Look into post-GCSE pathways**, including A-levels, vocational courses, or apprenticeships. Speak to your RE teachers and read the posters around the Humanities building about courses at Newman College and Runshaw College.
  - **Speak to your school's career adviser** or RE teacher for expert advice.
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# Useful Resources

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