



Religious Studies - Year 9

Autumn 1 topics	Autumn 2 topics	Spring 1 topics	Spring 2 topics	Summer 1 topics	Summer 2 topics
<u>How did we get here?</u> • Design V Big Bang ; • Humanism ; • Hindu Creation teachings; • Other creation stories; • Evolution.	<u>How did we get here? (Cont)</u> • Scopes Monkey Trial. <u>Crime & Punishment.</u> • UK legal system; • Law and me; • Causes of crime.	<u>Crime & Punishment (cont.)</u> • Capital punishment. <u>Evil & Suffering: (Intro).</u> • Moral and Natural Evil; • Evil and suffering case study (Dunblane shootings); • Suffering no God; • Responding to evil; • Responding to Evil.	<u>Evil and Suffering (cont.):</u> • Christianity and Evil; • Buddhism and Noble Truths	<u>Prejudice:</u> • Murder of Emmett Till; • Martin Luther King; • What is Prejudice; • Different forms of prejudice; • Racism today; • Apartheid.	<u>Christianity beliefs.</u> • The nature of God; • The oneness of God and the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. • Creation, • Life after death,. Judgment, heaven and hell, • The person of Jesus Christ: Incarnation, Crucifixion and resurrection.
Why this Why Now	Why this Why Now	Why this Why Now	Why this Why Now	Why this Why Now	Why this Why Now
• We start with this topics as it builds one of the key “Ultimate Questions” we looked at in Y7. • This is also a more mature topic which would not have been appropriate EARLIER. • We will investigate different religious, humanist and scientific ideas.	• These topics build on last terms lessons on Creation. • The Scopes Monkey trial will be a link into the next topic of Crime and Punishment. • Our investigation of how the legal system works will lead us onto an investigation of the death penalty.	• We will look at the arguments for and against the death penalty. • We will look at examples around the world. • This will help you if you pick RE for GCSE in Y10. • The death penalty debate leads into the topic of evil and suffering.	• Building on our earlier work in KS3 we will look at the responses of two faiths to “evil”: *Christianity *Buddhism	• Moving on from evil and suffering we will focus on the evil of prejudice and discrimination. • We will look at the case of the murder of Emmett Till. • This murder was very brutal and requires a level of maturity to investigate it.. Hence we do this towards the end of Year 9.	• We now come full circle with an investigation of the nature of God , from a Christian point of view in particular. • This was one of the first topics we began to look at in Year 7.
Tier 3 Vocabulary and Reading		Tier 3 Vocabulary and Reading		Tier 3 Vocabulary and Reading	
Universe, design Big Bang, theory, Paley’s watch, creation stories, similarities, differences, comparison. <u>Reading:</u> The Guardian: “Gibraltar cave chamber discovery could shed light on Neanderthals’ culture”	Intelligent Design, Creation Science, Justice Civil Criminal Police Arrest Court Judge Sentence Remand Bail. <u>Reading:</u> The Guardian TikTok challenge has students vandalising schools.	Sentence Justice Injustice Rights Evidence Consequences Guilty Discrimination, evil, suffering, natural, moral, pain, disaster. <u>Reading:</u> The Guardian Volcanic eruptions	Natural Evil Moral Evil Free will Book of Job. Buddha, Four Noble truths <u>Reading:</u> The Guardian Martin Luther King: how a rebel leader was lost to history	Racism, Segregation, Discrimination, Isolation, Racism, Mississippi, Prejudice, tolerance, racism <u>Reading:</u> The Guardian Bernardine Evaristo on a childhood shaped by racism	God, Christian, Omnipotent, nature, bible, paradox, opinion, trinity, Father, son, Holy Spirit <u>Reading:</u> The Guardian What is the historical evidence that Jesus Christ lived and died?