## **Religious Studies**

## Year 13



Learners must study all three components. Philosophy of Religion, Religious Ethics, and Islam.

Each component has been designed to encourage learners to demonstrate their ability to:

- reflect on, select and apply specified knowledge
- understand, interpret and evaluate critically religious concepts, texts and other sources
- identify, investigate and critically analyse questions, arguments, ideas and issues arising from within this component
- construct well informed and reasoned arguments, substantiated by relevant evidence
- engage in debate in a way that recognises the right of others to hold a different view
- present responses to questions which are clear and coherent
- use specialist language and terminology appropriately.

Each component has been designed to allow learners to acquire and develop knowledge and a critical understanding of:

- religious thought, belief and practice and the different ways in which these are expressed in the lives of individuals, communities and societies
- how religious texts and/or other relevant sources of wisdom and authority are interpreted and applied
- major issues, challenges and questions within and about the study of religion (for example, the role of tolerance, respect and recognition and interreligious dialogue, methods of study, relevance to contemporary society) and responses to these
- the causes, meanings and significance of similarities and differences in religious thought, belief and practice within and/or between religion(s).

Autumn Term	Philosophy of Religion	Assessment
	Theme 2 Religion as a product of the human mind – Freud and Jung  Religious Ethics  Theme 1 Meta-ethical approaches  Islam  Theme 1 Sharia and Jihad	Regular knowledge checks and End of topic tests Past paper questions (both timed in class and as homework assignments) Mock exam in Jan/Feb. (Both Yr12 and Yr13 topics)
	Philosophy of Religion Theme 2 Atheism Religious Ethics Theme 1 Meta-ethical approaches Islam Theme 3 Relationship between religion and society	

	Philosophy of Religion	Assessment
Spring Term	Theme 3 Religious experience and miracles  Religious Ethics  Theme 2 Natural Law – Finnis and Hoose  Islam  Theme 3 Pluralism, and Western perceptions	Regular knowledge checks and End of topic tests Past paper questions (both timed in class and as homework assignments) Mock exam in Jan/Feb. (Both Yr12 and Yr13 topics)
	Philosophy of Religion Theme 4 Religious Language Religious Ethics Theme 4 Predestination and determinism Islam Theme 3 Importance of the family, and migration	

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Summer Term	Philosophy of Religion	Assessment
	Theme 4 Religious Language  Religious Ethics	Practice exam covering all
	Theme 4 Free Will and Libertarianism	Year 13 topics taught after the mock exam.
	Islam Theme 4 Divergity within Jolem, Sufiem and Crime	
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	Philosophy of Religion	
	Revision	
	Religious Ethics	
	Revision	
	Islam	
	Revision	

Useful Resources for Supporting Your Child at Home:	Homework:
	An essay completed every two weeks. End of unit tests plus revision tests.
	Quizzes on Teams plus in class testing.