



## What will you learn?

### Topic(s)

**Topic One:** Can we prove the existence of God? Students will study various ways that philosophers have attempted to prove the existence of God, e.g. Cause, Design, and the relative strengths and weaknesses of each.

**Topic Two:** Life - what is the value of life (animal and human), what is meant by quality of life? What is meant by the sanctity of life?

**Topic Three:** Life after Death. What do different religions from Abrahamic and dharmic traditions teach about life after death? What objections are raised by humanist thinkers?

**Topic Four:** Medical ethics. What do religious traditions add to modern developments in the field of medicine? What worries do they have?

**Topic 5:** Technology. What concerns do religious believers have about the rise of technology eg Genetic Engineering, AI

## How will you be assessed?

### Overall assessment

Roughly half termly assessment with one, two and four mark questions.

### End of Year assessment

Students will write an internal exam. They will be required to answer one, two, and four mark questions. The examination will last for 50 minutes.

## Which resources should you use?

### Books, websites, online resources, trips and visits

#### All topics

The Year 9 topics cover a wide range of sensitive topics. Parents can help by discussing these sensitively and thoughtfully with their child. Spending time discussing news stories is always helpful.



## What independent work can you do?

### Books, websites, online resources

Use the VIP Zone, there you will find:

- An 'Independent Learning' folder full of resources and ideas to support your learning
- PLCs [Personal Learning Checks] - use these to rate your understanding of each topic and to recap and stretch your knowledge and skills.

Start revising. Try some of these to improve your understanding of each lesson and to help you prepare for assessments.

- **Summarise your notes:** Identify the key ideas and essential details. This technique improves understanding and retention by making information clearer and more manageable.
- **Flashcards:** Write key information on cards, don't forget to include an example
- **Mind maps:** Visually organize information by creating diagrams that connect ideas. This helps you see the relationships between topics.
- **Mnemonics:** Use songs, rhymes, or acronyms to help remember facts and figures.
- **Recording and replaying:** Record yourself reading notes and listen back to them.
- **Sticky notes:** Write / draw a key point on each note and place them around your house to help with memorisation.

Watch this: BBC Bitesize [The Best Memory Hacks to Help Your Revision](#)