## What are we aiming for pupils to achieve? End-of-phase outcomes

Each of the three elements of the teaching and learning approach is important, and pupils should make progress in all of them. Below are the end-of-phase outcomes for each element. Each unit provides learning outcomes specific to each question, leading to these end-of-phase outcomes. Teachers will recognise that this approach balances skills with core knowledge. The outcomes on this page are woven into every aspect of the planning, teaching, learning and assessment of this syllabus. They are the statutory key to the RE syllabus.

Teaching and learning approach	End of KS1, aged 7 Pupils can	End of lower KS2, aged 9  Pupils can	End of KS2, aged 11 Pupils can	End of KS3, aged 14 Pupils can
Element 1: Making sense of beliefs  Identifying and making sense of core religious and non-religious beliefs and concepts; understanding what these beliefs mean within their traditions; recognising how and why sources of authority (such as texts) are used, expressed and interpreted in different ways; and developing skills of interpretation.	identify some core beliefs and concepts studied and give a simple description of what they mean	identify and describe the core beliefs and concepts studied	identify and explain the core beliefs and concepts studied, using examples from texts/sources of authority in religions	give reasoned     explanations of how and     why the selected core     beliefs and concepts are     important within the     religions studied
	give examples of how stories show what people believe (e.g. the meaning behind a festival)	make clear links between texts/sources of wisdom and authority and the core concepts studied	describe examples of ways in which people use texts/sources of wisdom and authority to make sense of core beliefs and concepts	taking account of context(s), explain how and why people use and make sense of texts/sources of wisdom and authority differently
	give clear, simple accounts of what stories and other texts mean to believers	offer informed suggestions about what texts/sources of wisdom and authority can mean, and give examples of what these sources mean to believers	give meanings for texts/sources of wisdom and authority studied, comparing these ideas with some ways in which believers interpret texts/sources of authority	in the light of their learning, explain how appropriate different interpretations of texts/sources of wisdom and authority are, including their own ideas

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Element 2: Understanding the impact  Examining how and why people put their beliefs into practice in diverse ways, within their everyday lives, within their communities and in the wider world, appreciating and appraising different ways of life and ways of expressing meaning.	give examples of how people use stories, texts and teachings to guide their beliefs and actions	<ul> <li>make simple links between stories, teachings and concepts studied and how people live, individually and in communities</li> <li>describe how people show their beliefs in how they worship and in the ways they live</li> </ul>	make clear connections between what people believe and how they live, individually and in communities	give reasons and examples to account for how and why people put their beliefs into practice in different ways, individually and in various communities (e.g. denominations, times or cultures; faith or other communities)
	give examples of ways in which believers put their beliefs into practice	identify some differences in how people put their beliefs into practice	using evidence and examples, show how and why people put their beliefs into practice in different ways, e.g. in different communities, denominations or cultures	show how beliefs guide people in making moral and religious decisions, applying these ideas to situations in the world today

Teaching and learning	End of KS1	End of lower KS2	End of KS2	End of KS3
approach	Pupils can	Pupils can	Pupils can	Pupils can
Element 3: Making connections  Evaluating, reflecting on and connecting the key concepts and questions studied, so that pupils can challenge the ideas studied, and consider how these ideas might challenge their own thinking; and discerning possible connections between the ideas and pupils' own lives and ways of understanding the world, expressing critical responses and personal reflections.	think, talk and ask questions about whether the ideas they have been studying have something to say to them	<ul> <li>raise important questions and suggest answers about how far the beliefs and practices studied might make a difference to how pupils think and live</li> <li>make links between some of the beliefs and practices studied and life in the world today, expressing some ideas of their own clearly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>make connections between the beliefs and practices studied, evaluating and explaining their importance to different people (e.g. believers and atheists)</li> <li>reflect on and articulate lessons people might gain from the beliefs/practices studied, including their own responses, recognising that others may think differently</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>give coherent accounts of the significance and implications of the beliefs and practices studied in the world today</li> <li>evaluate how far the beliefs and practices studied help pupils themselves, and others, to make sense of the world</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>give a good reason for the views they have and the connections they make</li> </ul>	give good reasons for the views they have and the connections they make	consider and weigh up how ideas studied in this unit relate to their own experiences and experiences of the world today, developing insights of their own and giving good reasons for the views they have and the connections they make	<ul> <li>respond to the challenges raised by questions of belief and practice, both in the world today and in their own lives, offering reasons and justifications for their responses</li> </ul>

## **Assessment guidance: using the outcomes**

The outcomes for each age group are the heart of this RE syllabus, and schools using them to plan their RE work will be running a legal curriculum. The assessment guidance of the syllabus is carefully constructed and will be the object of further training opportunities. The detailed lesson-by-lesson investigation plans that the SACREs intend to provide will give exemplary assessment tasks for the units.

## Picturing progression in pupils' skills: summary pyramids of steps

These pyramids picture eight steps up in the skills which this syllabus uses and develops. They correspond precisely to the outcomes identified in the aims and outcomes of the syllabus, but do not reflect content with regard to any particular religion. The knowledge to which these skills are applied is found in the unit plans in each case.

Additional examples of the steps to success given here are provided on our SACRE websites for teachers to use. Use varied disciplines of Gifted 14-year-olds: Synthesise their research in Steps 3–8 for pupils aged 11–14 religious study to research RE using different Analyse beliefs, ideas and ultimate questions disciplines. arguments cogently, justifying comprehensively. perspectives. Use different disciplines, e.g. Some 14-year-olds: **Evaluate arguments** philosophy, theology, personally and critically, history and textual study, to **Evaluate critically diverse** synthesising ideas. explain the impact of beliefs, perspectives, sources of wisdom and ways of life. religions and beliefs. **Connect coherently** Most 14-year-olds: Exemplify reasonably the accounts of diverse beliefs **Explain how and why texts** diversity of religious and evaluate the impacts practices in the and beliefs are used in of beliefs in the different ways, reasoning and contemporary world. contemporary world. interpreting for themselves Steps 2–5 for pupils aged 7–11 Respond reasonably to the Use evidence and reasoning Many 12-13s: challenges raised by to show how and why religions and beliefs with **Explain important beliefs** beliefs and moral values are coherent views and reasonably, describing put into action today. connections of their own. different interpretations. Connect their own Most 11-year-olds: Use evidence and examples reflections and views to to show how and why Explain and give meanings for the religions and beliefs beliefs make a difference to core texts and beliefs, they study, developing comparing different ideas. insights. Suggest and link questions Most 9-year-olds: Connect stories, teachings, and answers, including Describe beliefs and concepts, concepts and texts with how their own ideas about the connecting them to texts, religous people live, differences religion makes suggesting examples and celebrate and worship. Steps 1–3 for pupils aged 5–7 to life. meanings Most 7-year-olds: Give examples of what Think, talk and ask difference it makes to Identify beliefs, describe questions about religion belong to and believe in a them simply, give examples and belief for themselves. religion. and suggest meanings. Most 6-year-olds: Observe, notice and Begin to find out about recognise simple aspects of Recall, remember, name and and link religions and religion in their own talk about simple beliefs, beliefs. communities. stories and festivals. **Making connections** Making sense of beliefs **Understanding the impact**