

AQA AS & A LEVEL RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Religious Studies ensures pupils have a thorough understanding of diverse philosophical and ethical issues. The course features a variety of relevant and contemporary themes, such as life after death, animal ethics and the creation of the universe.

These topics help to inspire engaging classroom discussion and open student's minds to viewpoints that differ from their own. Students will gain critical and evaluative skills which are sought after by higher educational institutes and employers. The core religion studied is Christianity.

COURSE CONTENT

Year 12

- Arguments for the existence of God.
- Evil and Suffering.
- Religious Experience.
- Ethical theories.
- Issues of Human Life and Death.
- Issues of Animal Life and Death.
- Christianity.

Year 13

- Religious Language.
- Miracles.
- Self and Life after Death.
- Introduction to Meta Ethics.
- Free-will and Moral Responsibility.
- Conscience.
- Bentham and Kant.

ASSESSMENT

2 x 3 hour written exams, each worth 100 marks and 50% of A Level.

Component 1: Philosophy and Ethics

- 4 questions; 25 marks each (10 AO1 & 15 AO2).

Component 2: Religion and Dialogues

- 4 questions; 25 marks each, 2 questions of AO1 and AO2.
- 2 further 25 mark questions - 1 philosophy from a choice of 2 & 1 ethics from a choice of 2.

SUBJECT COMBINATIONS

An A Level in Religious Studies combines well with the Social Sciences - Sociology and Psychology, Law, Geography and both English A Levels.



TRINITY
SIXTH FORM

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least 5 GCSEs at grade 5 and above including English & Maths.

PROGRESSION

Religious Studies at A Level can lead to higher education courses in Philosophy, Religious Studies and the Social Sciences including Sociology and Psychology.

FUTURES

Religious Studies at A Level is a qualification that shows awareness of moral issues and is highly valued by many professional job sectors. Examples of careers that many Religious Studies graduates succeed in are Finance, Teaching, Civil Service and Journalism.



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