

RS Curriculum Knowledge Map



Year 9			
The Existence of God Problem of Evil and Suffering The Nature of God Religious Responses to Suffering	 Critical Thinking Skills - Using Knowledge and Understanding and Evaluation Philosophical Theories, Scientific Theories, Theodicies, Specialist Key Terms Understand the different qualities and nature of God. Reflect on Atheist views and critique the nature of God using the inconsistent triad. Describe God's nature using key terminology: Omnipotent, Omniscient, Omnibenevolent, Omnipresent, Just/Fair. Evaluate the religious theodicies in response to morality and issues of evil and suffering. 		
Human Rights Social Justice Discrimination Racism Animal Rights	 Critical Thinking Skills with Case Studies. UDHR History & Documents, Magna Carta, Application of Knowledge and Understanding, Specialist Key Terms, Write for Rights, Social Justice Activism Outline the development of Human Rights using the Magna Carta and UDHR. Explain the conflicting issues with the Death Penalty, Freedom of Religious Expression and Human Rights. Reflect on different religious attitudes towards racism and discrimination. Compare and contrast animal rights with human rights. 		
Bible Stories Adam and Eve Noah's Ark Jonah and The Whale Joseph The King of Dreams	 Religious Biblical Stories, Sacred Religious Scriptures/Quotes, Specialist Key Terms, Comparative Religion Explore and understand the different key religious figures in Christianity and their stories. Analyse the moral of each story from the Bible. Link each Biblical story to the Nature of God and what it teaches Christians today. Evaluate the influence that these teachings from each Bible story has on Christian practice. 		
Pre-Islamic Arabia Historical Context The Polytheists The Hunafa The Role of an Arbitrator Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) Early Reactions to the Message Attitudes to Women Key Messages of The Qur'an	 Pre-Islamic Arabia History, Changes to Arabian Society, Religious Beliefs, Women's Rights, Specialist Key Terms, Explain the Pre-Islamic Arabian context from a religious and political sphere. Explore the beliefs of early pagans in Arabia and the Hunafa in Makkah. Describe what an arbitrator is and how this was an important aspect to Muhammad (PBUH)'s Prophethood. Link Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)'s teachings to the daily life of a Muslim believer in the 21st century. Compare and contrast the different attitudes to women Pre-Islamic Arabia to after Islam. 		
Intro to GCSE Islamic Beliefs Tawhid - Oneness of God Shi'a and Sunni History 6 Articles of Faith 5 Roots in Shi'a Islam Malai'kah - Angels in Islam Prophethood - Risalah Life of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) Holy Books Nature of Allah and 99 Names Akhirah - Life after Death Heaven and Hell Predestination - Al Qadr	 Beliefs and Teachings, Religious Scriptures/Evidences, Influence on Religious Believers/Practices, Key Terms, Arabic Islamic Terminology Describe what it means to be a monotheist in Islam and the key message given to Muslims. Outline the historical differences between Shi'a and Sunni Muslims. Explain the 6 Articles of Faith in detail with religious evidence. Explain the 5 roots of the Usul-Ad-Din from Shi'a Islam with religious evidence. Describe who the Mala'ikah are and why they are important in Islamic beliefs. Evaluate the importance and need for Risalah in humankind with specific examples of Prophets. Analyse why the 'People of the Book' are significant for Muslims and link to influence on Muslim practices. Describe the Nature of Allah using the 99 Names of God in the Qur'an. Describe the Islamic beliefs about the Akhirah and Heaven and Hell in detail. Evaluate the importance of why Predestination is key to Muslim beliefs and how this impacts Muslim practices and behaviours. 		

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Judaism Jewish Leaders Who was Abraham? Abraham's Covenant The Binding of Isaac 400 Years of Slavery The Exodus The 10 Commandments

- Key Jewish Beliefs and Teachings, Religious Scriptures/Evidences, Influence on Religious Believers/Practices, Key Terms, Jewish Key Terminology
- Q: What can Jewish leaders teach us about the Nature of God?
- Explain the importance of Abraham as the founding father of Judaism.
- Describe the covenant and promises made between God and Abraham.
- Explain the story of the binding of Isaac and why this was a key event in Abraham's life and what it taught him.
- Analyse the story of Moses and why this was a key turning point in the Covenant with Abraham and God.
- Link the Covenant, Binding of Isaac, and The Exodus story to Jewish practices today of circumcisions, reading of the Rosh Hashanah and the Pesach Meal.
- Outline how the 10 Commandments are a key part in Jewish daily life in the 21st century.

Islamic Prophets Prophet Adam Prophet Ibrahim Prophet Musa Prophet Isa Prophet Muhammad (PBUH)

- Key Islamic Beliefs and Teachings, Comparative Religion, Religious
 Scriptures/Evidences, Influence on Religious Believers/Practices, Key Terms, Arabic
 Key Terminology
- Explain the story of Prophet Adam and Eve from an Islamic perspective in detail.
- Compare and contrast the Story of Prophet Ibrahim (AS) with the Jewish traditions and understand the deeper meaning behind the Islamic perspectives.
- Analyse the key teachings from Prophet Musa's lifetime and how Muslims would follow his examples today in the 21st century.
- Compare and contrast the story of Prophet Isa to the life of Jesus and outline the differences in his status as a Prophet and religious beliefs.
- Identify the key messages sent by all of the Prophets and explain how the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) is the Seal of the Prophets for all of Mankind.

Religious Iconic Figures Desmond Tutu Oscar Romero Mother Teresa The Pope Fatima Al-Fihri Malcolm X Fatima Elizabeth Cates

- Beliefs and Teachings, Religious Scriptures, Social Justice, Discrimination, Apartheid, Key Terminology, Racial Equality, Poverty, Corruption, Oppression, Influence on religious believers.
- Explain how Desmond Tutu fought against the South African Apartheid with reference to his work and life.
- Outline why Oscar Romeo successfully made a stand against the corruption of his government in El Salvador and what he stood up for.
- Analyse why Mother Teresa dedicated her entire life to serving the poor in India and link to Christian beliefs and teachings.
- Evaluate why the Pope is an important figure in Catholicism.
- Explore the life of Fatima Al-Fihri and explain why she was an influential figure in the Middle East.
- Describe the work and life of Malcolm X and how the Islamic faith impacted his actions against racism in America.
- Analyse Fatima Elizabeth Cates' life as a female activist, prior to Human Rights and Feminist movements in the UK.

Jesus as a Rebel
What is a Rebel?
Political Status Quo
Religious Status Quo
How did Jesus upset
the status quo?
Attitudes to Women
Jesus' Arrest
Jesus - Meek or Mild?
Jesus' Trial
The Crucifixion and
Death of Jesus

- Key Christian Beliefs and Teachings, Religious Scriptures/Evidences, Key Terms, Political and Religious Historical Contexts.
- Q: Did Jesus live and die as a rebel?
- Know and understand what it means by the term 'Rebel' and what it means by the 'Status quo'.
- Explain the political status quo in Jerusalem during Jesus' time in relation to the Roman Empire.
- Explain the religious status quo in Jerusalem during Jesus' time and who the key religious authority were i.e. The Pharisees and The Sadducees.
- Analyse whether or not Jesus upset the status quo using religious sources from Biblical accounts.
- Describe the attitudes towards women during this period and how Jesus changed this.
- Outline the events leading up to Jesus' arrest and how he responded to this.
- Explore the trial of Jesus' that led him to his final fate of his crucifixion and death.



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Year 7

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Hinduism The Creation Story The Nature of God The Soul and Reincarnation Moksha The Caste System Suffering in the World Polytheism Worship	 Outline the origins of the universe described in the Holy Books Describe the concept of Trimurti and its relation to the qualities of God Link beliefs about reincarnation to the daily life of a Hindu believer Reflect on how Hindu believers can achieve 'freedom from the cycle' Examine how Hindu beliefs about caste have influenced Indian society Explore how Hindu believers try to practise Ahimsa in their everyday lives Recall the different Gods and Goddesses in Hinduism and describe their qualities Describe how Hindu believers worship God and the different artefacts used in worship
Buddhism Life is Siddhartha The Eightfold Path Four Noble Truths Enlightenment of Buddha Meditation The Five Moral Precepts Places of Worship Nirvana	 Describe the early life of Siddhartha Gautama and outline the key events that changed his life Understand the significance of the Eightfold path for Buddhists and apply it to real life scenarios What are the four Noble Truths? Describe the story of Siddhartha's enlightenment and his transformation to 'Buddha' Reflect on the importance of meditation for Buddhists and how it is implemented in their daily lives Consider the impact of practising the Five Moral Precepts in maintaining a peaceful life What are the key features of a Buddhist place of worship and the different artefacts used? Examine how Buddhists can reach the state of enlightenment
Sikhism Life of Guru Nanak Teachings of Guru Nanak Three Principles of Sikhism The Ten Gurus Holy Books Seva	 Describe the early life of Guru Nanak Consider what made Nanak a good leader and explore his key teachings What are the Three Principles of Sikhism? Research the lives and key teachings of the 10 Gurus and the impact they had on the Sikh community Reflect on the significance of the Guru Granth Sahib for Sikh worshippers today Recall different types of service and examine the importance of service in the community