



Year 8 Half Term 4 - Evil and Suffering

1. Evil	Can be used to describe an event, person, or idea; it usually causes pain or suffering to others. The opposite of good.	14. Original Sin	The idea that all humans are born with evil and the ability to do evil, because of Adam and Eve disobeying God.
2. Suffering	Undergoing hardship or pain, which leads to sadness/misery in the individual.	15. Iranaeus	A Christian philosopher who claimed that evil helps humans to grow and mature.
3. Moral Evil	Evil acts that are committed by human beings.	16. Free Will Defence	The idea that evil is necessary because humans need to be able to choose between good and evil to have real, genuine choices.
4. Natural Evil	Evil that is not caused by humans.i.e. An earthquake destroyed a town.	17. Suffering is a test	The idea that evil is necessary to test humans to see if we can be good in the face of hardship.
5. Natural Disaster	An event that is caused by the Earth that can harm humans.	18. Hindu	A follower of Hinduism, a religion that started in India over 4,000 years ago.
6. Omnipotent	All-powerful	19. Karma	A force of universal justice. If your actions are good, goodness will return to you. If you do evil, evil will be brought to you.
7. Omnibenevolent	All-loving	20. Brahman	For Hindus, this is the ultimate being that exists. The universe exists as a part of Brahman, but Brahman also exists beyond the universe. All gods and goddesses show a small part of what Brahman is like.
8. Omniscient	All-knowing	21. Reincarnation	Upon death, the soul is born within a new body.
9. Theodicy	A way of explaining evil while having a loving God.	22. Moksha	Escaping the cycle of rebirth, and uniting with the universe.
10. Genesis	The first book of the Bible that describes the origins of the universe and humanity.	23. Samsara	The cycle of rebirth that all things go through on their way to moksha.
11. Garden of Eden	Where humans are first placed in the Genesis story to live in paradise.	24. Caste System	A system in some Hindu and Indian culture, where people are born into different parts of society with different roles and responsibilities.
12. Adam and Eve	The first two humans in the Genesis story.	25. Brothers Karamazov	A book written by Russian author Dostoevsky, this book discusses the nature of God and suffering.
13. The Fall	An event where Adam and Eve disobeyed God, causing them to be forced out of the Garden of Eden.	26. Justice	Making sure that something has a fair outcome.