

GCSE Religious Studies





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Course Overview

Students taking GCSE Religious Studies will:

- develop their knowledge and understanding of religions (Christianity and Buddhism) and non-religious beliefs, such as atheism and humanism
- develop their knowledge and understanding of religious beliefs, teachings, practices, and sources of wisdom and authority, including through their reading of key religious texts, other texts, and scriptures of the religions they are studying
- develop their ability to construct well-argued, well-informed, balanced and structured written arguments, demonstrating their depth and breadth of understanding of the subject
- engage with questions of belief, value, meaning, purpose, truth, and their influence on human life
- reflect on and develop their own values, beliefs and attitudes in the light of what they have learnt and contribute to their preparation for adult life in a pluralistic society and global community



Assessment

Paper 1: Religious, Philosophical and Themes in the Modern World (50%)

2 hour written paper

- Candidates will study the following four themes:
- Theme 1: Issues of Relationships
- Theme 2: Issues of Life and Death
- Theme 3: Issues of Good and Evil
- Theme 4: Issues of Human Rights

Paper 2: The study of Christianity and a World faith (Buddhism) (50%)

2 hour written paper

- Candidates will study the beliefs, teachings and practices of Christianity
- Candidates will study the beliefs, teachings and practices of Buddhism



Additional information

Students will develop analytical and critical thinking skills, the ability to work with abstract ideas, leadership and research skills. All these skills will help prepare them for further study.

A GCSE in Religious Studies can lead to on to A Levels in Religious Studies, Politics and Philosophy and to a wide variety of degrees and careers such as a youth worker, community development manager, counsellor, aid worker and journalist.