

# Religious Studies

<b>Exam Duration</b>	1 hour 45 Minutes	<b>Equipment</b>	Black pen x 2
<b>Revision Resources</b>	Class notes. Revision mind maps provided in class.		
<b>Exam Revision Checklist</b>			
<b>Content</b>		<b>Revised?</b>	
<b>Christianity</b>			
3.1.2.1	<p>Beliefs and teachings: The nature of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Omni's</li> <li>● Problem of evil and suffering</li> <li>● The Trinity</li> </ul> <p>Beliefs about Creation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Genesis 1: 1-3</li> <li>● Including the role of the Word and Spirit (John 1:1-3)</li> </ul> <p>Beliefs about the afterlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Resurrection</li> <li>● Life after death</li> <li>● Judgement</li> <li>● Heaven and hell</li> </ul> <p>Jesus and salvation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The incarnation and Jesus as the Son of God</li> <li>● The crucifixion, resurrection and ascension.</li> <li>● Sin, including original sin.</li> <li>● The means of salvation, including law, grace and Spirit.</li> <li>● The role of Christ in salvation including the idea of atonement.</li> </ul>		
3.1.2.2	<p>Worship and festivals Different forms of worship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Liturgical vs non – liturgical</li> <li>● Prayer</li> <li>● The Sacraments</li> <li>● Pilgrimage</li> </ul> <p>Role of the Church in the local and worldwide community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The role of the Church in the local community, including food banks and street pastors.</li> </ul>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The place of mission, evangelism and Church growth.</li> </ul> <p>The importance of the worldwide Church including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working for reconciliation.</li> <li>• How Christian churches respond to persecution.</li> <li>• The work of one of the following: Catholic Agency For Overseas Development (CAFOD), Christian Aid, Tearfund.</li> </ul>	
<b>Judaism</b>		
3.1.6.1	<p>Beliefs and teachings: Key beliefs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• God as one.</li> <li>• God as creator.</li> <li>• God as law – giver and judge, loving and merciful.</li> <li>• The divine presence (Shekhinah).</li> <li>• Life after death including resurrection and resurrection.</li> <li>• Messiah</li> </ul> <p>The Covenant and the Mitzvot.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promised land and covenant with Abraham.</li> <li>• Covenant at Sinai including the role of Moses and the 10 Commandments.</li> <li>• Key moral principles including justice, healing the world, charity and kindness to others.</li> <li>• Sanctity of life including the concept of 'saving a life' (Pikuach Nefesh).</li> <li>• Free will and the 613 mitzvot.</li> <li>• Mitvot between man and God and man and man</li> </ul>	
3.1.6.2	<p><b>Practices:</b> Synagogue and worship.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Importance of the synagogue.</li> <li>• Design and religious features of the synagogue.</li> <li>• Public acts of worship.</li> <li>• Shabbat in the home and the synagogue.</li> <li>• Worship in the home and private prayer.</li> <li>• Tenakh (written law) and Talmud (oral law)</li> </ul>	

	<p>Family life and festivals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Brit Milah</li> <li>● Bar and Bat Mitzvah</li> <li>● Marriage</li> <li>● Mourning</li> <li>● Dietary laws – Kosher and trefar</li> <li>● Festivals and their importance including the origins and meanings of Rosh Hashanah / Yom Kippur and Pesach.</li> </ul>	
<b>Thematic Studies.</b>		
3.2.1.2	<p><b>Religion and Life</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Origins of the universe</li> <li>● Animal experimentation</li> <li>● Origins of life</li> <li>● Abortion</li> <li>● Euthanasia</li> <li>● Belief in afterlife.</li> </ul>	
3.2.1.4	<p><b>Religion Peace and Conflict</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Peace</li> <li>● Justice</li> <li>● Forgiveness</li> <li>● Reconciliation.</li> <li>● Violence, including violent protest. ●</li> <li>● Terrorism.</li> <li>● Reasons for war, including greed, self-defence and retaliation.</li> <li>● The just war theory, including the criteria for a just war and holy war.</li> <li>● Pacifism.</li> <li>● Religion and belief as a cause of war and violence in the contemporary world.</li> <li>● Religion and peace-making in the contemporary world including the work of individuals influenced by religious teaching.</li> <li>● Religious responses to the victims of war including the work of one present day religious organisation.</li> </ul>	
3.2.1.5	<p><b>Religion Crime and Punishment.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Corporal punishment.</li> <li>● Death penalty.</li> <li>● Forgiveness.</li> <li>● Good and evil intentions and actions,</li> </ul>	

	<p>including whether it can ever be good to cause suffering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Reasons for crime.</li> <li>● Views about different types of crime, including hate crimes, theft and murder.</li> <li>● The aims of punishment.</li> <li>● The treatment of criminals.</li> <li>● Forgiveness.</li> <li>● The death penalty.</li> <li>● Ethical arguments related to the death penalty, including those based on the principle of utility and sanctity of life.</li> </ul>	
3.2.1.6	<p><b>Religion, Human Rights and Social Justice.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Status of women in religion.</li> <li>● The uses of wealth.</li> <li>● Freedom of religious expression.</li> <li>● Prejudice and discrimination in religion and belief, including the status and treatment within religion of women and homosexuals.</li> <li>● Issues of equality, freedom of religion and belief including freedom of religious expression.</li> <li>● Human rights and the responsibilities that come with rights, including the responsibility to respect the rights of others.</li> <li>● Social justice.</li> <li>● Racial prejudice and discrimination.</li> <li>● Ethical arguments related to racial discrimination (including positive discrimination), including those based on the ideals of equality and justice.</li> <li>● Wealth.</li> <li>● Exploitation of the poor</li> <li>● The responsibilities of those living in poverty to help themselves overcome the difficulties they face.</li> <li>● Charity, including issues related to giving money to the poor.</li> </ul>	