

Philosophy, Religion and Ethics Learning Journey

- Many students choose to continue their studies at University through a Religious Studies or Theology course.
- Or to study a related subject such as Sociology, Psychology, or Politics.
- With so many transferable skills and a deep understanding of how and why people may behave the way they do, there are also successful careers in many fields.
- These include law, education, business, social work, medicine, administration and the media.

Developments in Religious Thought includes:

- A systematic study of one religion.
- Exploring sources of wisdom.
- Practices which shape and express identity and how these vary within tradition.

Philosophy of Religion includes:

- The nature of the soul ,mind and body.
- Arguments for the existence or non-existence of God.
- The nature and impact of religious experience.

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The OCR Religious Studies A-Level has three main components, studied across two years.

Religion and Ethics includes:

- A study of Normative ethical theories and how each decides right from wrong?
- Application of ethical theories to moral issues such as Euthanasia and Business Ethics.
- Debates surrounding the idea of conscience.

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Students have an opportunity to delve into four different ethical and philosophical issues from a very wide variety of units. This could include for example the ethical unit studying Religion, Peace and Conflict, or Philosophical arguments for the existence of God.

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Students follow the AQA Religious Studies Specification. Beginning with an in-depth study into the beliefs, teachings and practices of two religions. We focus on Buddhism and Christianity. Consideration is given to different denominations and groups within each religion, in order to demonstrate their impact on individuals, communities and societies.

3. How is religion shown in the media?

2. How should those who break the law be treated?

1. How should we treat the environment?

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3. Can we prove the existence of God?

2. What is good and challenging about being a teenage Sikh in Britain today?

1. Do Buddhism and Christianity have the answers to evil and suffering?

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3. What is good and challenging about being a teenage Muslim in Britain today?

2. Should religious buildings be sold to feed those who are starving?

1. What is Hinduism?

Units in Key Stage 3 largely follow the Derbyshire Locally Agreed Syllabus

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Primary School

What is special and why?

- Which stories?
- Which people?
- Which places?
- What times?

What do people believe about...

- God
- Prayer
- Festivals
- Sacred books/places

What does it mean to belong to a community?

Why do some people say God exists?