Religious Education at King's Academy Ringmer

End point	Knowledge acquired	Skills acquired		
YEAR 7				
YEAR 7 1/2. Introductions to Religions	Basic introduction to origins, beliefs, texts and practices of six major world religions: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism.	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Comparative skills		
3. BELIEFS AND TEACHINGS - Judaism	 Nature of God: The Shema Key person: Abraham Key person: Moses Morality:Covenant, Ten Commandments Scriptures/Texts: Tenakh - Torah, Nevi'im, Ketuvim 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Research skills Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Make connections between beliefs and practices. Make comparisons between different religions. Gain empathetic awareness of different beliefs.		
4. PRACTICES - Judaism	 Different types of Jew: Orthodox and Reform. Daily life: Worship, Synagogue, Kashrut Shabbat Rites of passage: Bar/Bat Mitzvah Festivals: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Festivals: Pesach Sacred Places: Jerusalem 			
6. PRACTICES - Christianity	 Nature of God: Holy Trinity Key person: Jesus Christ - birth Key person: Jesus Christ - miracles Key person: Jesus Christ - parables Scriptures/Texts: The Bible 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Research skills Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Make connections between beliefs and practices. Make comparisons between different religions. Gain empathetic awareness of different beliefs. How to use a Bible.		
6. PRACTICES - Christianity	 Different types of Christians Worship: Private (prayer) and Public (features of a Church) Rites of passage: 7 Sacraments e.g. Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptism. Festivals: Easter Faith in practice: Missionaries 			
YEAR 8				
YEAR 8 7. BELIEFS AND	 Nature of God: Allah, Tawhid Key person: Muhammad Key beliefs of Sunni and Shi'a Muslims 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice		

TEACHINGS - Islam	 4. Scriptures/Texts - Qur'an, Hadith 5. Morality: How can a Muslim show good character? 6. Life after death: Akhirah, Judgement, Paradise and Hell. 	Research skills Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Make connections between beliefs and		
8. PRACTICES - Islam	 Worship: Private (prayer) and public Daily life: The Five Pillars Rites of passage: Hajj Festivals: Eid ul-Fitr and Eid ul-Adha Faith in practice: Jihad Sacred places: Jerusalem 	practices. Make comparisons between different religions. Gain empathetic awareness of different beliefs.		
9. BELIEFS AND TEACHINGS- Hinduism	 Nature of God: Brahman (Trimurti) Popular deities and symbolism Key beliefs: Dharma, Artha, Kama, Moksha Key person: Mahatma Gandhi. Scriptures/Texts:Sruti (Vedas), Smriti (Mahabharata) Morality: Ahimsa Life after death: Atman, Karma, Moksha, Reincarnation 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Research skills Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Make connections between beliefs and		
10. PRACTICES - Hinduism	 Different groups of Hindus: Vaishnavism, Shaivism, Shaktism, Smartism. Worship: private and public (Puja, Temple/Mandir) Features of a Hindu temple. Festivals: Diwali and Holi Sacred Places: Vrindavan and Varanasi (Ganges River) Pilgrimage. 	practices. Make comparisons between different religions. Gain empathetic awareness of different beliefs.		
11. BELIEFS AND TEACHINGS - Buddhism	 Key person - Siddharta Guatama (Buddha)- birth Key person - Siddharta Guatama (Buddha)- The Middle Way, Enlightenment Key beliefs - The Three Marks of Existence, The Four Noble Truths, Noble Eightfold Path. Scriptures/Texts: Tipitaka, Sutras Morality: The Five Moral Precepts Life after death: Karma and Samsara 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Research skills Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Make connections between beliefs and practices. Make comparisons between different religions.		
12. PRACTICES - Buddhism	 Different groups of Buddhists: Yanas, Theravada, Mahayana Daily life: the Sangha and monastic life. Meditation. Festivals: Wesak Sacred Places: Lumbini, Sarnath, Bodhgaya, Kusinagar. 	Gain empathetic awareness of different beliefs.		
YEAR 9				
YEAR 9	1. Introduction to philosophy	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge.		

13. PHILOSOPHY Philosophical theories for the existence of God	 2. The Cosmological argument 3. The Teleological argument 4. The Morality argument 5. Evidence from religious experiences 	Self Assessment Revision practice Critical thinking Logical reasoning Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Gain empathetic awareness of different points of view.
14. PHILOSOPHY Arguing against the existence of God	 Science versus religion: The big bang theory and evidence from evolution. The problem of evil Christian responses to the problem of evil. 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Critical thinking Logical reasoning Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Gain empathetic awareness of different points of view.
15. ETHICS - Normative ethical theories	 What is ethics? Absolute and moral relativism. How should we make moral decisions (consequences versus rules)? Introduction to ethical dilemmas: The Trolley Problem The Nazi at the door Jim and the Firing Squad Utilitarianism (Consequences) Situation Ethics (Consequences) Natural Moral Law (Rules) Kantian Ethics (rules) Every theory lesson includes application of the theory to the ethical dilemmas: 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Self Assessment Revision practice Critical thinking Logical reasoning Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Gain empathetic awareness of different points of view.
16. ETHICS - Application of theories to human life	Application of ethical theories to issues relating to human life: Euthanasia 1. Sanctity of life 2. Quality of life 3. What is euthanasia? 4. A short stay in Switzerland - true story of Dr Anne Turner	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Application of knowledge to real life issues. Self Assessment Revision practice Critical thinking Logical reasoning Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Gain empathetic awareness of different points of view.

17. ETHICS - Application of theories to non-human life	 Application of ethical theories to issues relating to non- human life: Animal Rights Uses of animals. Should animals have rights? How does society protect animals? Is it ever right to experiment on animals? (Including religious views) Environment - global commons. 	Acquisition and retrieval of knowledge. Application of knowledge to real life issues. Self Assessment Revision practice Critical thinking Logical reasoning Oracy Literacy Identifying key information from source material. Gain empathetic awareness of different points of view.
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