

Religious Studies KS3

KEY  Theological  Philosophical  Social Science

YR7

Y7 UNIT 1



Why do we see things differently?

What is my worldview?
Why is questioning important in religion?

Y7 UNIT 2



How did creation happen?

How did we come to exist?
What can we learn, if anything, from myths?

Eco Futures: Stewardship and dominion. Looking after creation

Y7 UNIT 3



Why are the patriarchs important in Judaism?

Who are the founders of Judaism?
Was Laban wrong to trick Jacob?

Y7 UNIT 4



What are the key beliefs, teachings and practices of Islam?

What are the five pillars of Islam?
Why is the Qur'an important to Muslims?

Y7 UNIT 6



What are the origins, role and importance of the Church?

What is the role of the Church in the community?
Why is the church building important to Christians?

Eco Futures: Role of the church in ecoprojects

Y7 UNIT 5



Jesus: Who was he and why is he important?

Was Jesus only a miracle worker?
Why do some people see Jesus as the Son of God?

Maritime: Jesus miracles – walking on water

YR8

Y8 UNIT 1



How can we compare core concepts in religious faith?

What are the six major world religions?
What relevance does religion have in the modern world?

Y8 UNIT 2



What are the key beliefs, teachings and practices of Hindu Dharma?

What are the key beliefs about life after death?
What do Hindus believe about Brahman?

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What are the key beliefs, teachings and practices in Sikhi?

What are the 5Ks?
What do Sikhs believe about God?

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What links God to the sea?

How is the sea used as a tool by God?
What does the sea symbolize?

Maritime: symbolism of the sea. How the sea is used as a tool by God.

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Why is social justice important in religion?

What is the difference between prejudice and discrimination?
Why should religions care for each other?

Eco Futures: Religious charities – reference how they work towards helping environment

Y8 UNIT 4



Why are spiritual journeys important?

How does pilgrimage bring people closer to God?
Where do religious people go on pilgrimage?

Maritime: Ganges in Hinduism. Healing waters at Lourdes

YR9

Y9 UNIT 1



What are the key beliefs, practices, and teachings of Judaism?

What is a covenant?
How do Jews practice their faith?

Y9 UNIT 2



How can religion be used to oppress and/or empower women?

Is Mary a positive role model for women today?
How are women portrayed within religion?

Y9 UNIT 4



Why is there evil and suffering?

What is the problem of evil?
Why is there suffering in the world today?

Eco Futures: Theological explanation for why there is natural evil

Y9 UNIT 3



What are the key beliefs, teachings and practices of Buddhism?

What are the four noble truths?
What does enlightenment mean?

Eco Futures: Noble 8 fold path being about looking after the world and its contents.

Y9 UNIT 5



What is ethics?

How do we know what is right and wrong?
Is deontology, utilitarianism and situation ethics helpful when making moral decisions?

Y9 UNIT 6



How can ethics help in medical decision making?

What is the sanctity of life and how does it affect medical ethics?
What is the quality of life and how does it affect medical ethics?

Eco Futures: Does the environment have value?

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