

Year 9 September – November

Christian Beliefs

- 1) Nature of God 1
- 2) Nature of God 2
- 3) Evil and suffering
Disciplinary Literacy: “Losing my religion, finding my faith”.
- 4) Trinity 1
- 5) Trinity 2
4 Mark Exam Question: Explain two ways in which beliefs about the Trinity influences Christians today.
- 6) Creation 1
- 7) Creation 2
- 8) Incarnation
Homework: Microsoft Forms key terms test
- 9) Crucifixion
- 10) Resurrection
- 11) **12 Mark Exam Question:** ‘The crucifixion is more important than the resurrection.’
(teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 12) Salvation and atonement
5 Mark Exam Question: Explain two Christian teachings about the means of Salvation.
- 13) Life after death
Careers Link: Which of the 8 essential skills have you developed today?
- 14) Revision 1
- 15) Revision 2
Homework: Complete knowledge organiser and Kahoot
- 16) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 17) **DIRT**



Year 9 November - February

Christian Practices

- 1) Worship
- 2) Prayer
- 3) Baptism
- 4) Eucharist
- 5) Pilgrimage 1 – Lourdes
- 6) Pilgrimage 2 – Iona
4 Mark Exam question: Explain two contrasting examples of Christian pilgrimage.
- 7) Pilgrimage with Simon Reeve
- 8) Christmas
- 9) Easter
Homework: Microsoft Forms key terms test
- 10) **12 Mark Exam Question:** ‘Easter should be the happiest time of the year for Christians.’ (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 11) Church in the local community – food bank and street pastors
- 12) Christian Aid
- 13) Evangelism
Disciplinary Literacy: “What the Titanic can teach us about Evangelism”.
Careers Link: What skills/qualities are needed to be a missionary?
5 Mark Exam Question: Explain two reasons why Christians practice Evangelism.
- 14) Church Growth
- 15) Reconciliation
Outdoor learning opportunity: Creating Reconciliation symbols/sculptures
- 16) Persecution
- 17) Revision 1
- 18) Revision 2
Homework: Complete knowledge organiser and Kahoot
- 19) Revision 3
- 20) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 21) **DIRT**



Year 9 February - May

Buddhist Beliefs

1. The Life of the Buddha 1
2. The Life of the Buddha 2
3. The life of Buddha 3
4 Mark Exam Question: Explain two ways that the life of the Buddha influences Buddhists today.
4. Introduction to the 4 Noble Truths and The First Noble Truth
5. The Second Noble Truth
6. The Third Noble Truth
Disciplinary Literacy: Nirvana (Buddhanet)
7. The Fourth Noble Truth
Homework: Create a mnemonic/rhyme to help you remember all of the 8 steps of the Eightfold Path.
8. Anicca
Outdoor learning opportunity: Finding examples of anicca in nature.
Homework: Bring in a picture of when you were a baby/young child.
9. Anatta
10. Anatta 2
Homework: Microsoft Forms key terms test
11. **12 Mark Exam Question:** "For Buddhists, dukkha is the most important of the 3 marks of existence." (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
12. Wheel of Life and Dependent Origination
13. The 3 Refuges
14. Life of a monk (Theravada Buddhism)
Careers Link: Why would someone choose to be a Buddhist monk over a more conventional career?
15. Bodhisattvas and Arhats
16. Pureland Buddhism
5 Mark Exam Question: Explain 2 Buddhist beliefs about the Pureland (5 marks).
17. Revision 1
18. Revision 2

Note: The **Year 9 trial exam** will fall in this topic. Students will have 2 revision lessons to help them prepare for this. The Year 9 trial exam is a 24 mark question on Buddhist Beliefs. A **DIRT** lesson will follow.



Year 9 May - July

Buddhist Practices

- 1) Buddhist Worship
- 2) Places of Worship
- 3) Meditation
 - Outdoor learning opportunity:** What are the benefits of meditating outdoors?
- 4) **12 Mark Exam Question:** 'The best way to understanding Buddha's teachings is by meditating.' (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 5) Shrines
- 6) Festivals: Wesak
- 7) Parinirvana Day, Death and Mourning
 - 4 Mark Exam Question:** Explain two contrasting ways that Parinirvana Day is celebrated.
- 8) Karma and Rebirth
 - Disciplinary Literacy:** Karma poem
- 9) Precepts and Perfections
 - Careers Link:** Which of the 5 precepts and 6 perfections would be useful in a future career?
- 10) Karuna and Metta
 - 5 Mark Exam Question:** Explain two Buddhist beliefs about metta (loving-kindness).
 - Homework:** Microsoft Forms key terms test
- 11) Revision 1
- 12) Revision 2
 - Homework:** Complete knowledge organiser and Kahoot
- 13) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 14) **DIRT**



Year 10 Autumn Term

Religion and Life

- 1) Origins of universe: Genesis creation story
- 2) Origins of universe: The Big Bang.
- 3) Awe and wonder – **Christian Beliefs Sum It Up**
Outdoor learning opportunity: Looking for examples of “Design”
- 4) Christian attitudes towards the environment.
- 5) Buddhist attitudes towards the environment.
4 Mark Exam Question: Explain two contrasting religious beliefs about caring for the environment.
- 6) Environmental issues 1
- 7) Environmental issues 2
Careers Link: What is a Green Career?
- 8) What can all people, religious or not, do to help the planet? Documentary: Drowning in plastic - **Buddhist Beliefs DNA**
Homework: Finish the documentary and answer all the questions.
- 9) Animal rights
- 10) **12 Mark Exam Question:** ‘Animal experimentation should not be allowed.’ (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 11) Use of animals for food
- 12) Origins of human life
- 13) When does life begin?
- 14) Abortion 1 - **Buddhist Beliefs Sum It Up**
- 15) Abortion 2
5 Mark Exam Question: Explain 2 religious beliefs about abortion.
- 16) Euthanasia 1
- 17) Euthanasia 2
Disciplinary Literacy: “The reality of assisted suicide, I took my Dad to die”.
Homework: Microsoft Forms key terms test
- 18) Euthanasia 3 - Tony Nicklinson
- 19) What is death?
- 20) Christian beliefs about life after death
- 21) Buddhist beliefs about life after death
- 22) Revision 1 – **Christian Practices DNA**
- 23) Revision 2 – **Buddhist Practices DNA**
Homework: Revise knowledge organiser and complete Kahoot
- 24) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 25) **DIRT**

Note: The **Year 10 trial exam** will be at the end of this term. Students will have 2 revision lessons to help them prepare for this. The Year 10 trial exam is on Christian and Buddhist Beliefs (48 marks).



Year 10 Spring Term

Religion, Peace and Conflict

- 1) Key concepts 1 - **Sum it up Christian Practices**
- 2) Key concepts 2
5 Mark Exam Question: Explain two religious beliefs about justice.
- 3) Causes of war
Outdoor learning opportunity: "Human Diamond 9"
- 4) Does religion cause war?
- 5) Victims of war
Link to UNICEF the rights of every child
- 6) Organisations (Christian Aid & Tzu Chi)
- 7) Christian attitudes to war 1 – **DNA Christian Beliefs**
- 8) Christian attitudes to war 2
- 9) Muslim attitudes to war
Careers Link: Why should people in the armed forces have an understanding religious views about war?
- 10) Buddhist attitudes to war – **Sum it up Buddhist Practices**
- 11) Weapons of Mass Destruction 1
- 12) Weapons of Mass Destruction 2
Disciplinary Literacy: "Yoshito Matsugushige's Account of the Hiroshima Bombing".
- 13) **12 Mark Exam Question:** 'There are no good reasons to possess nuclear weapons' (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 14) Violent protest
- 15) Peaceful protest (Martin Luther King)
- 16) Terrorism
Homework: Microsoft Forms key terms test
- 17) Pacifism – **DNA Buddhists Beliefs**
- 18) Pacifist individuals
4 Mark Exam Question: Explain two contrasting beliefs about pacifism.
- 19) Revision 1
- 20) Revision 2
Homework: Revise knowledge organiser and complete Kahoot
- 21) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 22) **DIRT**



Year 10 Summer Term

Religion, Human Rights & Social Justice

- 1) Introduction to human rights and social justice
[Link to UNICEF the rights of every child](#)
- 2) Religious freedom – **Christian Practices Sum It Up**
- 3) Racism – **Buddhist Practices Sum It Up**
- 4) Martin Luther King Documentary
- 5) Homophobia and gender prejudice:
4 Mark Exam Question: Explain two similar religious beliefs about gender prejudice.
- 6) Positive Discrimination
Disciplinary Literacy: Should positive discrimination be legal in the UK?
- 7) **12 Mark Exam Question:** 'All discrimination is wrong' (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 8) Religious Attitudes to wealth 1 (Christian and Buddhist)
- 9) Religious Attitudes to wealth 2 (with Muslim) – **Christian Beliefs DNA**
5 Mark Exam Question: Explain two religious beliefs about the right use of wealth.
- 10) Causes of poverty worldwide – **Buddhist Beliefs Sum It Up**
- 11) Poverty in Britain with who is responsible for the poor?
- 12) Exploitation of the poor 1 – Pay day loans
- 13) Exploitation of the poor 2 – People trafficking and fair pay
- 14) Types of aid and charities
Careers Link: Which of the 8 essential skills are important for aid workers?
Homework: Complete key words test using Microsoft Forms Quiz
- 15) Revision 1
- 16) Revision 2
Homework: Revise knowledge organiser and complete Kahoot
- 17) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 18) **DIRT**



Year 11 Autumn Term

Religion, Relationships & Families

- 1) Homosexuality
- 2) Sex before and outside marriage - **Buddhist Beliefs Sum It Up**
- 3) Christian marriage
- 4) Buddhist marriage -**Buddhist Practices Sum It Up**
- 5) Cohabitation and same-sex marriage
4 Mark Exam Question: Explain two contrasting religious beliefs in contemporary British society about cohabitation.
- 6) Contraception 1
- 7) Contraception 2
- 8) Divorce and remarriage – **Christian Practices Sum It Up**
Outdoor learning opportunity: “Human Diamond 9”
- 9) **12 Mark Exam Question:** ‘Divorce is never right’ (teacher highlights PEEL and plans a DIRT activity including modelling a paragraph for the following lesson)
- 10) Families and same-sex parents
- 11) Polygamy Documentary
- 12) Purpose of family – parents and children
5 Mark Question: Explain 2 religious beliefs about the purpose of families.
- 13) Gender equality - status of women - **Christian Beliefs DNA & Sum It Up**
Disciplinary Literacy: “The Good Wife’s Guide”.
Homework: Complete key words test using Microsoft Forms Quiz
- 14) Sexism in the church and Buddhist attitudes towards women
Careers Link: Should women be allowed to choose whatever career they like?
- 15) Revision 1
- 16) Revision 2
Homework: Revise knowledge organiser and complete Kahoot
- 17) **24 Mark End of Topic Exam Question**
- 18) **DIRT**

Note: The **Year 11 trial exam 1** will fall during this topic. Students will have 4 revision lessons to help them prepare for this. The Year 11 trial exam 1 is on all Paper 2 topics (A, B, D and F- 96 marks). **Year 11 trial exam 2** falls in February, where students sit a full paper 1.

The EPR revision programme, where all GCSE topics are revisited, commences in January.

