

# GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

<b>Paper 1</b> 50% Exam (1 hour 45 minutes)	<b>Section A: Christianity Belief and Practices</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The problem of evil, creation of the world, the life of Jesus, life after death and salvation</li><li>• Worship, prayer, festivals, baptism, Holy Communion and the role of the Church</li></ul> <b>Section B: Islam Beliefs and Practices</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Beliefs about God, Angels, Predestination, the Prophets of Islam and Holy books.</li><li>• The 5 pillars of Islam, Jihad and Festivals of Id and Ashura</li></ul>
<b>Paper 2</b> 50% Exam (1 hour 45 minutes)	<b>Theme A- Religion, Relationships and Family</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Human sexuality, homosexuality, sex before and outside of marriage, marriage, family planning and contraception, family and gender equality.</li></ul> <b>Theme B- Religion and Life</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>

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## Year 10

### Term 1

#### Christianity Beliefs

- The different beliefs about creation and how the word of God could be interpreted.
- Problems of Evil- how could this contradict the belief that God is all loving and powerful? Why would he let us suffer?
- The life of Jesus- His incarnation, Crucifixion, death and resurrection
- Salvation and the afterlife

### Term 2

#### Christianity Practices

- Forms of Worship- Is there only one way to honour God? Exploring Baptism, Prayer and Pilgrimage
- The Church- How it spreads the faith, how it helps the community and how it responds to those in need.

#### Section B: Islam Beliefs

- Beliefs about the nature of Allah.
- The role of angels- what do they do for us? What can we learn from them?
- Role of the Prophets- Adam, Ibrahim and Prophet Muhammad.
- The successorship of Prophet Muhammad and the divide in Sunni and Shi'a Islam.

### Term 3

#### Islam Practices

- The Five Pillars of Islam- Shahadah, Salah, Zakat, Sawm, Hajj.
- Jihad- Lesser and Greater and fighting in Holy Wars
- Festivals- Id-ul-fitr, Id-ul-Adha and Ashura.

## Year 11

### Term 1

#### Theme A: Relationships and Family

- Human sexuality, sex before marriage and sex outside of marriage.
- Family planning, contraception, marriage and divorce.
- Nature of family and the purpose of family
- Gender equality.

#### Theme B: Religion and life

- Origins of the universe and value of the world
- Use and abuse of the environment and pollution
- Use of animals for food and medical testing
- Origins of human life, abortion and euthanasia.

### Term 2

#### Theme E- Crime and Punishment

- UK law
- Reasons for Crime and attitudes behind committing crimes.
- Aims of punishments and treatment of criminals including prison, corporal punishment and the death penalty.
- Forgiveness

### Term 3

#### Theme F- Human Rights and Social Justice

- Human Rights and Social Justice
- Religious freedom
- Discrimination- Racism, homophobia, sexism and ableism
- Wealth, poverty and exploitation

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