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| **GCSE Religious Studies**  **Exam Board: Eduqas (Specification A). Within the course there are 3 papers:**   1. Christianity: Beliefs, teachings and practices – 1hr Paper, 25% of final grade. 2. Islam: Beliefs, teachings and practices – 1hr Paper, 25% of final grade. 3. Religion, Philosophy & Ethics – 2hr Paper, 50% of final grade (Topics: Relationships, Good & Evil, Life & Death, Human Rights)   **Objectives**: To **define,** **describe, explain** and **evaluate** the following issues | | |
| RPE Unit 2 – Life & Death (Non-religious & Christianity)   * Origins of the universe (different views on creation story/scientific theory) * **Environmental sustainability**; (dominion, stewardship, global citizens, Humanists for a better world) * Origin of life, **sanctity of life** and **quality of life**; * **Evolution** and compatibility with religious views * **Abortion**, * **euthanasia**, Dignity for Dying * The **afterlife** andyour **soul** * funerals | RPE Unit 1 – Relationships (Christianity & Islam)   * Sex and **contraception** * Purpose of relationships and families (including **roles** and **responsibilities**) * **Commitment** in marriage and **cohabitation** * **Adultery**, **divorce** and remarriage * Same sex relationships * **Gender equality**, attitudes towards women in authority | Muslim Practices   * 5 Pillars of Islam * **Shariah** law and **halal** and **haram** acts * 10 obligatory acts of Shi’a Islam * **Greater and lesser Jihad** * Eid-Ul-Fitr, Ei-Ul-Adha, Ashura, The Night of Power * The mosque (**masjid**) and the Muslim community (**ummah)** |
| Christian Beliefs and Teachings   * The nature of God; (**Trinity, omnibenevolence, omnipotence** etc) * Creation * Law and sin * Jesus’ **incarnation**, crucifixion, **resurrection**, ascension * **Atonement** and salvation * The Holy Spirit * Afterlife | Muslim Beliefs and Teachings   * The nature of Allah (**Tawhid** etc) * 6 Sunni articles of faith * 5 Shi’a roots of faith * Malaikah (Angels) * **Risalah** (Prophethood) * Attitudes to books, scrolls, Torah, psalms & Gospels * Akhirah (Afterlife) * Al Qadr (Predestination) | Christian Practices   * Worship (The liturgy, informal and individual worship; prayer: formal and informal) * The **Sacraments**: Baptism & Eucharist * Pilgrimage * Christmas and Easter * Christianity in Britain * Local and Global church * Persecution of Christianity * **Evangelism** |
| RPE Unit 3- Good & evil (Christianity & Islam)   * **Morality**, virtues and sins * Causes of crimes * Purposes of **punishment** and **justice** * Treatment of criminals * Prison reformers and Prison chaplains * **Forgiveness** * The origin of **sin**; **good/evil** and **suffering** * **Free will** | RPE Unit 4 – Human rights (Christianity & Islam)   * Dignity of human life * **Human rights** * Equality: agape in action (including **social justice**) * **Personal conviction** vs law * **Censorship**; religious **extremism** * Attitudes towards **prejudice** and **discrimination** * Wealth and charity**;** (including **relative and absolute poverty**) | REVISION   * Past papers * Blank paper check * Mini quizzes * Mind maps * Revision cards |