



**Religious Studies Curriculum Plan – Nuneaton Academy**

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**KEY STAGE 3**

YEAR	1st Half of the year (Sept – January)	2nd Half of the year (Jan –July)
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Big Questions</b>            Why do people believe in God?            Why do people not believe in God?            Is there an afterlife?            What evidence is there for an afterlife?</p> <p><b>Origins of the Abrahamic Faiths</b>            Genesis            Noah and the Flood            Abraham and the Covenant            Abraham’s sacrifice            Abraham in Arabia            Moses and Exodus            Leviticus            Jesus the Rebel            Jesus’ Sacrifice</p>	<p><b>Christianity</b>            The Nativity            Jesus Ministry            The Sermon on the Mount            The Death of Jesus            The Resurrection of Jesus            The Council of Nicaea            Saint Augustine            Protestantism            Christianity Today            The Future of Christianity</p> <p><b>Buddhism</b>            Religion in India            The Buddha – A life of self-denial            The Buddha – The Middle Way and Enlightenment</p>



	<p>Beginning of Islam</p> <p><b>Judaism</b>          Jewish beliefs          Jewish Scriptures          Orthodox and Reform Judaism          The Temple and Synagogues          Shabbat          Pesach and Yom Kippur          Persecution of Jewish people</p>	<p>The Three Marks of Existence          Karma and the Cycle of Rebirth          The Four Noble Truths – Dukka and Samudaya          The Four Noble Truths – Nirhoda and Magga          Puja          Meditation          How do Buddhists Live?</p>
	<p>Mid-Year Assessment: Enter details <b>Abrahamic faiths</b></p>	<p>End of Year Assessment: Enter details <b>Judaism and Christianity</b></p>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>Islam</b>          Pre-Islamic Arabia          The Prophet Muhmmad          Hijra          The Final Sermon          Sunni Shi’a Split          Islamic Caliphates          Five Pillars of Islam          Hajj          Jihad          Islam Today</p>	<p><b>Atheism</b>          Where did atheism come from?          Plato’s Cave          Challenging the Bible          The Enlightenment          Evolution          Without God is Anything Permitted?          Friedrich Nietzsche          Militant Atheism</p> <p><b>Hinduism</b>          The Search for Origins</p>



	<p><b>Philosophy of Religion</b>          Who is God?          Theism, Atheism and Agnosticism          The Design Argument          Criticisms of the Design Argument          Cosmological Argument          Criticisms of the Cosmological Argument          The Problem of Evil;          Theodicies          Religious Experiences          Criticisms of Religious Experience</p>	<p>The Caste System          The Vedic Period          The Upanishads          Alexander the Great          Revelation and the Sharing of Knowledge          Understanding the Self</p>
	<p>Mid-Year Assessment: Enter details <b>Islam</b></p>	<p>End of Year Assessment: Enter details <b>Islam and Philosophy of Religion</b></p>
<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Life and Death - Ethical Issues</b>          What is the Right Thing to do?          Natural Law          Criticisms of Natural Law          Situation Ethics          Sanctity of Life          Abortion          Euthanasia          Capital Punishment          Animal Rights</p>	<p><b>Issues of Equality – Ethical Issues</b>          Why is Equality Important?          Religion and Equality          Racism and Scripture          The Fight for Racial Equality          Gender Equality and Scripture          Women in Worship          LGBTQ+ Issues and Equality          Disability Rights and Equality</p>

	Mid-Year Assessment: Enter details <b>Life and Death</b>	End of Year Assessment: Enter details <b>Life and Death/Equality</b>

#### **KEY STAGE 4**

YEAR	1 <sup>st</sup> Half of the year (Sept – Jan)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Half of the year (Jan – July)	
<b>10</b>	<b>Eduqas Full Course GCSE Option A</b> Islam Beliefs Christian Beliefs Issues of Relationships	Islam Practices Christian Practices Life and Death Good and Evil	
	Mid-Year Assessment: Enter details here <b>Issues of Relationships</b>	End of Year Assessment: <b>Enter details here Full Islam and Christian Paper / Paper on Themes studied</b>	
YEAR	September – November	December – March	March - June
<b>11</b>	Human Rights Revision of Beliefs and Practices – Islam and Christianity	Revision of Relationships and Life and Death	Revision of Good and Evil / Human Rights



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	<b>November Mock Exam: Full set of papers</b>	<b>March Mock Exam: Full set of papers</b>	<b>ACTUAL GCSE EXAM</b>