

Name of course: GCSE Religious Studies

Examination board: Edexcel

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How the course is assessed: 100% examination

Paper 1: Religion, peace and conflict through Christianity.

Topics include:

Living the Christian life, peace and conflict, Christian beliefs, crime and punishment

Assessment:

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes

102 marks and 50% of the GCSE

Paper 2: Religion and ethics through Sikhism

Topics include:

Living the Sikh life, marriage and the family, Sikh beliefs and matters of life and death.

Assessment:

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes

102 marks and 50% of the GCSE

Outline of course: Religious Studies GCSE is aimed to develop the knowledge and understanding of religious beliefs whilst applying how they are put into action and are relevant and influential in the world today. Students will develop their ability to construct well-argued, well-informed, balanced and structured written arguments, demonstrating their depth and breadth of understanding of the subject. Religious Studies provides the opportunity to engage with questions of belief, value, meaning, purpose, truth, and their influence on human life. As well as giving students the crucial time to reflect on and develop their own values, beliefs and attitudes in the light of what they have learnt and will contribute to their preparation for adult life in a pluralistic society and global community.

Potential career pathways that could lead on from this course: Whatever job you do you will inevitably have to work and communicate with other people. Religious Studies GCSE equips you to understand and empathise with people, their beliefs and culture. This will enable you to do any job well and improve your ability to be an effective member of any workforce.

Religious Studies GCSE could help you achieve the following careers: Doctor, Nurse, Dentist, Midwife, Police, Ambulance service, Firefighter, Teacher, Lawyer, Solicitor, Journalist, Social worker, Carer