



REV IT UP FOR RELIGIOUS STUDIES!



GCSE Religious Studies revision tips

Paper 1 on Monday 13th May will be the religious units, so four sets of questions on: Christian Beliefs, Christian Practices, Sikh Beliefs, Sikh practices. For these you should revise the keywords and quotes for each unit, plus the content as listed on the Specification sheets.

Paper 2 on Monday 20th May will be the ethical Themes paper, so four sets of questions on the topics: Relationships & Families, Religion & Life, Peace & Conflict, Crime & Punishment. For these you should revise the keywords and quotes for each unit, plus the content as listed on the Specification sheets.

Ideas on learning keywords and quotes:

Use the A3 laminated sheets that were given to you for home. Ask a family member, or pair up with someone else in the class, to test you on both the keywords and the quotes: make up some 'fill in the blanks' cards, play Taboo, make a quiz, record yourself saying them and listen to it back through your headphones.

To revise content:

Use the orange and purple revision guides made for you.

Use kerboodle.com The Christianity textbook we have in class is on here, plus quizzes, question type tasks, revision videos. Most people can log in with their first initial and surname (see your teacher if you have a similar name as someone else) and the password you use for the school system. If you can't log in, you can reset your password via your school email.

Attend the revision sessions agreed with your class teacher.

Complete practice questions. These are available on the AQA website: we do GCSE Religious Studies A (8062), Paper 1 Units 2 (Christianity) and 7 (Sikhism), Paper 2A Non-textual studies (we do Themes A.B.D.E). There are a couple of sample papers for each unit. Your teacher will be happy to mark any of these for you if you want to give them in.

https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/religious-studies/gcse/religious-studies-a-8062/assessment-resources?start_rank=41

Make 'podcasts' on the content for each unit; record yourself reading out your notes or info from the revision guides into your phone using the voice recorder. You can then listen to them back at different times – remember there is good evidence that hearing yourself saying something out loud helps embed something in your long term memory! Why not work with a friend and make some each and share them?

Have verbal debates with friends also doing the course. Again, hearing yourself saying things out loud will help you learn them.

Turn the revision guides into your own diagrams/revision cards/page-a-topic sheets.

Use your DREAREY sheets to work on your approach to 12 mark questions particularly. Work on ways to improve your conclusion so they always start with a judgement on which side has the most/best/strongest arguments, then give your personal reflection.