

RELIGIOUS STUDIES TOPICS OF STUDY

Year	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Y3	The Lord's Prayer. Introducing the Bible. What is faith? Abraham, man of faith. Abraham and Sarah. A wife for Isaac. Jacob and Esau. The Christmas story.	Faith stories: David and Goliath. The fiery furnace. Jonah. John Newton.	What difference does faith make (past and present)? Modern people of faith: Eric Liddell. Mahatma Gandhi.
Y4	The structure of the New Testament. The Gospels and their writers. Life in the time of Jesus. Choosing the disciples. Miracles: healing the lepers; Jairus' daughter; feeding the 5,000; walking on water. Hinduism: Divali. The Christmas story.	Parables: The house on the rocks; sowing seed; the lost sheep. The temptations of Christ. Lent. Palm Sunday. The Last Supper. Holy Communion. Easter.	The Resurrection. The Ascension. Pentecost and the beginning of the Church. The Church today, including visits. The church year. The Creed. The work of a vicar.
Y5	Concepts of God. Patriarchs of Israel: Abraham, Jacob. The Joseph story. Moses: Birth to Passover.	Moses contd.: Passover, Exodus and The Ten Commandments. <i>Mid-year test</i> . Joshua and the conquest of Canaan. Gideon. Samson.	Ruth and Naomi. Samuel the Prophet. Revision. <i>Post-exam</i> : David; Friends and Heroes
Y6	Introduction to World Religions: The six major religions and their founders. Holy books. Places of worship. Festivals. Islam: The life of Muhammad. The Qur'an. The mosque. The Five Pillars. Muslim worship. The Hajj. Ramadan and Eid.	Islam past and present. A modern Muslim. <i>Mid-year test</i> . The stories of David (continued), Solomon and Elijah. Judaism: origins. Holy Books. Main beliefs. The synagogue. Orthodox and Reform Jews.	Jewish family life. Shabbat. The Jewish life cycle. Rabbis. Festivals. <i>Exam</i> . <i>Anne Frank's Diary</i> .
Y7	Creation. Stewardship. Types of truth. The Fall. Cain and Abel. Retribution and rehabilitation. Abraham and Isaac. Sacrifice and covenant.	The Ten Commandments. Law. <i>Mid-year test</i> . Sikhism: The Mool Mantar, Waheguru, the Khanda, the Reht Maryada, reincarnation and Mukti.	Sikhism contd.: Guru Nanak, the Tremendous Ten, the Guru Granth Sahib, the Khalsa. <i>Exam</i> . Elijah and the false prophets. Modern 'gods'. 20 th century prophets and heroes of faith: Bonhoeffer, MLK, Romero.

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Y8	Background to the New Testament. The Birth of Jesus. The Temptations of Jesus. The call of the disciples. Discipleship then and now. Wealth and happiness: the Rich Young Man. Outcasts: Zacchaeus, Levi, the woman and the Pharisee. Healing miracles: the paralysed man, the crippled woman.	Messiah and Transfiguration. Parables: The Good Samaritan, The Lost Son, The Sower. The events of Holy Week from Palm Sunday to Crucifixion. <i>Mock CE exam</i> . The Resurrection.	Resurrection continued. Revision. <i>Post CE</i> : Dangers of the occult.
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