



Qualification Name	Religious Studies
Exam Board	AQA
Type (e.g. GCSE/BTEC Certificate)	GCSE
Level (1,2 or both)	
GLH (Guided Learning Hours)	144 guided working hours per year. Extended study homework booklets.
Course Content Outline (What Will I study?)	<p>Paper 1: Component 1—The study of religions: beliefs, teachings and practices. The faiths studied are Christianity and Sikhism.</p> <p>A comparative study of two world faiths:</p> <p>Christianity Key beliefs, key figures, practices/ festivals, the role of the church and worldwide community.</p> <p>Sikhism Key beliefs, beliefs about the nature of human life, practices, festivals and lifestyles.</p> <p>Paper 2: Component 2— Thematic Studies[</p> <p>Theme A: Relationships and families. Theme B: Religion and life Theme C: The existence of God and revelation Theme D: Religion, peace and conflict Theme E: Religion, crime and punishment Theme F: Religion, human rights and social justice</p>
Typical Lesson/Homework Activities. (How will I study?)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trips to Liverpool, Coventry Cathedral and Lichfield Cathedral. Smethwick Gurdwara and St Giles' church. Cinema experience. • Case studies linked local and global personalities. • Booklets and group work • Past exam paper practice • Religious Studies skills practice
Success Criteria (How will I be assessed?)	<p>Paper 1: Component 1—The study of religions: beliefs, teachings and practices. [50% of GCSE]</p> <p>The faiths studied are Christianity and Sikhism.</p> <p>Paper 2: Component 2— Thematic Studies[50% of GCSE]</p> <p>Theme B: Religion and life Theme D: Religion, peace and conflict Theme E: Religion, crime and punishment Theme F: Religion, human rights and social justice</p>
Succession Paths Post-16 (What can I do with this qualification?)	<p>Colleges and universities value religious studies because the skills required to cover grade 9-1 introduce and support the evaluation of a wide range of resources and materials including religious and secular narrative. Analysis based extended writing is the natural outcome. In addition, philosophical and ethical studies involved in this course cover a wide range of global contemporary issues pertinent to the majority of career paths.</p> <p>Possible career links - teaching, police force, NHS/medical, law, all public services, charity organisations, Amnesty International, politics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AS/ A Level Religious Studies and Philosophy • Theology Degree—either BA HONS