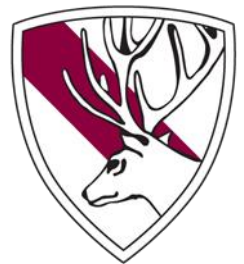


GCSE PRE (Religious Studies) 2021/22

Revision and Exam Skills



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Students follow the Edexcel Religious Studies B specification. Students complete the following topics:

1. Religion and Ethics (Christianity)
2. Religion, Peace and Conflict (Islam)

Paper 1 – Religion and Ethics

Paper 1 = 50%

All studied from a Christian perspective plus non-religious beliefs.

Section A:

Christian Beliefs

Section B:

Marriage and Family

Section C:

Living the Christian Life

Section D:

Matters of Life and Death

Paper 2 – Religion, Peace and Conflict

Paper 1 = 50%

All studied from a Muslim perspective plus non-religious beliefs.

Section A:

Muslim Beliefs

Section B:

Crime and Punishment

Section C:

Living the Muslim Life

Section D:

Peace and Conflict

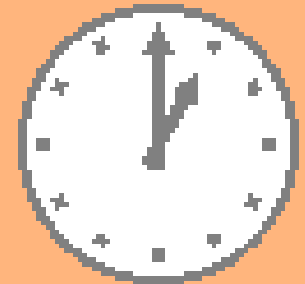


KEY ADVICE

Every section in both papers has the same format. You will sit a question a, b, c and d for that unit – you could be tested on any of the topics within the unit.

Timing is everything – you must know how long to spend on each question and stick to it. Take in a watch to help you keep to your timings. The timings are:

- a. 2 minutes
- b. 4 minutes
- c. 5 minutes
- d. 15 minutes



- **Little and often – start now and do a few minutes every day. Trying to cram the night before is sure to stress you out!**
- The week after half term you will be given revision booklets for 4 topics for your mock – start with these to begin with, make resources and use them to test yourself. Practice exam questions and have them marked by your teacher.



Take the opportunity to get some extra revision done, guided by a teacher.

Dates for revision days will be released soon so look out for them!

These will take place before school, during period six and the Easter holiday. These will be starting in November to get you ready for your mock exam!



QUESTION FORMAT

'a'

3 Mark Question
"Outline three..."

All you need to do is to write **three correct full sentences** that relate to the subject.

Example:

Question: State three religious traditions, other than Christianity, in Great Britain.

Answer: One religious tradition other than Christianity is Islam. Another tradition other than Christianity is Judaism. A third religious tradition is Sikhism.

Knowledge (AO1)
2 minutes

'b'

4 Mark Question
"Explain two..."

Explain means to make an idea clear by giving more relevant detail.

2 X P&E paragraphs (Point and Explanation)

Example:

Question: Explain two reasons why the Trinity is important to Christians

Answer: Firstly, one reason why the Trinity is important to Christians is that God is revealed to them in three different ways.

This means there is three persons of the one God, the Father, the Son and God Holy Spirit

Knowledge (AO1)
4 minutes

'c'

5 Mark Question
"Explain two..."

Explain means to make an idea clear by giving more relevant detail.

2 X P&E paragraphs (Point and Explanation) AND QUOTE

Example:

Question: Explain two ways Christians respond to the problem of evil and suffering.

Answer: Firstly one way Christians respond to evil and suffering is by helping in a practical way. This means that Christians will try to relieve suffering in any way that is needed. A teaching to support this is the parable of the sheep and the goats, where Jesus explained that what you do to help others is what you to help Him.

Knowledge (AO1)
5 minutes

'd'

12 (15) Mark Question
"Evaluate this statement"

3 paragraphs:

Paragraph 1: Three points agreeing with the statement including scripture or teaching.

Paragraph 2: Three points disagreeing with the statement including scripture or teaching.

Paragraph 3: Conclusion explaining your opinion either for or against. Do not sit on the fence.

Remember 3 marks for SPAG

Example:

Question: Jesus had to die."

Answer: There is truth to this statement as By dying Jesus restored the relationship between God and man, this means that humans were therefore able to attain forgiveness from God. A quote to support this is 'he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.' Showing that Jesus had to die in order to allow us to go to heaven. Another 2 points needed.

Evaluation (AO2)
15 minutes
SPAG marks awarded



ADVICE FOR PARENTS – HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Encourage your son/daughter to revise ‘little and often’, working steadily through their revision materials.
- Check for revision dates on satchel one. Encourage students to attend these.
- Support with learning for short answer tests. Test students on their answers – these are really important for learning the knowledge.
- Check students are completing practice exam questions – these will be regularly put on satchel one.



KEY REVISION WEBSITES

Christianity beliefs and living the Christian life:

[Christianity - GCSE Religious Studies Revision - Edexcel - BBC Bitesize](#)

Islam beliefs and living the Muslim life:

[Islam - GCSE Religious Studies Revision - Edexcel - BBC Bitesize](#)

Matters of life and death:

[Life and death - Unit 1 - GCSE Religious Studies Revision - WJEC - BBC Bitesize](#)

Marriage and life:

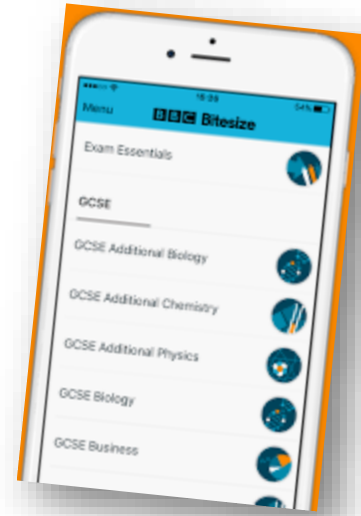
[Relationships - Unit 2 - GCSE Religious Studies Revision - WJEC - BBC Bitesize](#)

Peace and conflict:

[Good and evil - Unit 1 - GCSE Religious Studies Revision - WJEC - BBC Bitesize](#)

Crime and punishment:

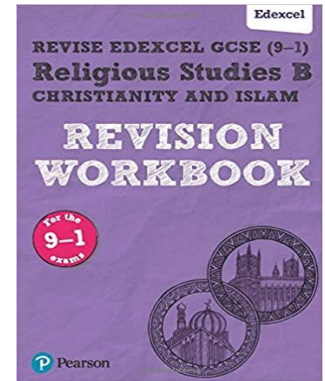
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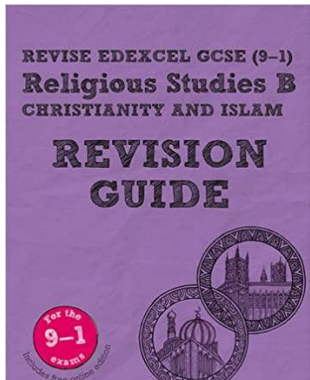
Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Religious Studies B, Christianity & Islam Revision Workbook

[Revise Edexcel GCSE \(9-1\) Religious Studies B, Christianity & Islam Revision Workbook: for the 9-1 exams \(Revise Edexcel GCSE Religious Studies 16\): for home learning, 2021 assessments and 2022 exams: Amazon.co.uk: Hill, Tanya: 9781292148816: Books](#)



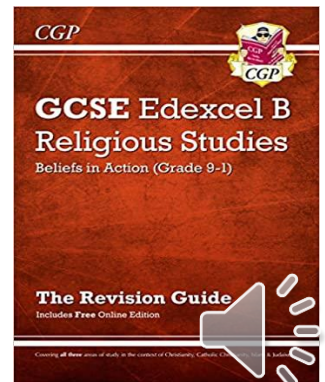
Pearson REVISE Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Religious Studies, Christianity & Islam Revision Guide

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-Religious-Studies-Christianity-Revision/dp/1292148829/ref=pd_lpo_1?pd_rd_i=1292148829&psc=1



Grade 9-1 GCSE Religious Studies: Edexcel B Beliefs in Action Revision Guide with Online Edition

[Grade 9-1 GCSE Religious Studies: Edexcel B Beliefs in Action Revision Guide with Online Edition: ideal for catch-up and the 2022 and 2023 exams \(CGP GCSE RS 9-1 Revision\): Amazon.co.uk: CGP Books, CGP Books: 9781782946427: Books](#)



JANUARY MOCK EXAM

Y10 PRE mock exam will be at the beginning of January – you will sit 1 exam of 1 hour 45 minutes. You will complete 4 sections (like a real paper). They will be:

Christian Beliefs

Marriage and Family (Christianity)

Islam Beliefs

Matters of Life and Death (Christianity)

You will be told about a revision programme in the first week of November (after half term). You will also be provided with revision booklets to help you revise.

We suggest you begin your revision over October half term – dig out your Y9 books and use your Y10 book to revise. Also use the BBC bitesize links we have provided for you.

