

GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Y9 EXAM - REVISION LIST

ABOUT THE EXAM:

- Your exam will be **1 hour and 10 minutes**.
- You will answer **THREE** questions in this time (you should spend **20 minutes** on each question).
- Each question is in **four parts** : a = 2 marks (knowledge - based on the key words glossary), b = 4 marks (give your own personal opinion with two reasons for your view and explain why you hold this view), c = 8 marks (understanding - an 'explain' question *) and d = 6 marks (evaluation - give your view with reasons and explain why some people might disagree with you. Don't forget to include the Roman Catholic view!!!).
** Don't forget that in question 'c' you also get marked on your **Quality of Written Communication** which means you need to write in clear English, spell words correctly, use sentences and paragraphs and use specialist vocabulary (the key words from the glossary).*
- For each unit you will have a choice of two questions and you choose **ONE**. Choose wisely, noting which you know more about and which one you can get the most marks for!
- You will answer questions on the following units that you have studied so far in Year 9 :
 - 1) Believing in God (3:1)
 - 2) Beliefs and Values (10:1)
 - 3) Religion and Community Cohesion (3:4)

*** Here are questions that will help you with your revision. If you can answer all the questions fully you will have the knowledge and understanding to do the exam. You must then apply it and evaluate it to the questions in the exam. ***

Believing in God (3:1)

Textbook p. 1-28

1. What are the different types of religious experience? What are the arguments for and against miracles?
2. What is the causation argument for the existence of God? How does this argument lead to belief in God?
3. How does science explain how the world began? Why do scientific explanations of the origins of the world lead some people not to believe in God? How do Roman Catholics respond to this?
4. Why do unanswered prayers lead some people not to believe in God? How do Catholics respond to this?
5. What is the difference between moral and natural evil? Why does the existence of evil and suffering in the world lead some people to question or reject belief in God?
6. Religion and the media - what are the arguments for and against the media affecting people's belief in God?

Beliefs and Values (10:1)

Textbook p.105-130

1. What do Christians believe about God as Father and Creator? (Don't forget the Bible passages you studied - Luke 11:1-4 and Genesis 1:1-2:3).
2. What are the key Christian beliefs about Jesus as the Son of God - incarnation, Virgin birth, crucifixion and resurrection?
3. What do Christians believe about sin and salvation?
4. What do Christians believe about loving God and why is this important? How does loving God affect the life of a Christian?
5. What do the following passages teach about loving others - Mark 12:29-31 (The Greatest Commandment), Luke 10:25-37 (The Parable of the Good Samaritan) and Matthew 25:31-46 (The Parable of the Sheep and Goats)?
6. How can Christians show their love of others? Should Christians show love to ALL people - even people who do bad things?
7. How is love of God expressed in the life of a religious community?

Religion and Community Cohesion (3:4)

Textbook p.77-104

1. What is the difference between prejudice and discrimination? What are the problems and effects of discrimination and racism?
2. What is the Government doing to prevent discrimination and promote community cohesion in the UK? Why is this important?
3. Why should Catholics promote racial harmony (refer to the Bible passages you have studied on this)? Do you think the UK will ever achieve racial harmony?
4. How and why does the Catholic Church help asylum seekers and immigrant workers?
5. In what ways are religions working to promote community cohesion in the UK? Do you think community cohesion can be brought about by religious people or is it more likely to be brought about in other ways?

Don't forget your KEY WORDS - you will be expected to demonstrate understanding of all the key words and be able to use them in your answers.

Don't forget to use any BIBLE PASSAGES that you have studied in your answers.

When revising look over the attached sheet 'HOW TO ANSWER EXAM QUESTIONS' to remind yourself of what you need to do to get full marks for an a,b,c and d question!

GOOD LUCK AND
DO YOUR BEST!

Accept
the work
of our hands
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DEUT. 33:11