

## YEAR 11 RELIGIOUS STUDIES REVISION

### AQA GCSE Examination Details

- Paper 1: **FOUR UNITS:** Christianity separated into 2 sections, Beliefs and Practices AND Sikhism separated into 2 sections, Beliefs and Practices
- Paper 2: **FOUR UNITS:** Relationships and Families, Religion and Life, Religion, Peace and Conflict, and Religion, Crime and Punishment

### Instructions

You have been given a blank copy of a revision timetable and knowledge checklists for the four units we have studied. An exemplar timetable is also attached. You need to plan out your 15 week revision timetable and tailor your revision to ensure you cover all the areas you are not confident with before the exams. Use the feedback from your mock examinations, exercise books, revision guides and revision sessions to make sure you address areas of weakness in your exam practice. You should also identify which exam question types you will be practising each week too. Make sure you have bought your revision guide from the RS Department as the timetable exemplar refers to it.

### Revision Advice

- ✓ Reading over information or highlight information is not enough.
- ✓ It has been proven that repetition helps you to remember information.
- ✓ Try putting the information into a new format e.g. a spider diagram, image, summary paragraph, cue card or table etc.
- ✓ Use colours; you are more likely to remember the information
- ✓ But, that also won't be enough, you need to practice, to see if you can remember
- ✓ Turn your revision notes over and see if you can write it out again
- ✓ Do this over different time periods, can you remember it an hour after the revision? 2 hours a day? A week?
- ✓ Testing yourself has also been shown to enhance memory
- ✓ Use the past papers, friends or family to test you on the information you revise
- ✓ Write quiz questions for yourself and the answer on the back
- ✓ Teach someone and explain what you have learnt
- ✓ It has been proven that people who revise over time do better than those who cram. Revise regularly in small chunks. E.g. 20 minutes
- ✓ Don't confine revision to just your homework time, take revision notes around with you in case there is spare 10 minutes you could use e.g. on the bus, when waiting for friends by the flagpole or in a detention
- ✓ Avoid distractions- being on the computer doesn't mean you're actually revising
- ✓ Think positive- don't just say you can't do it! Some students moan for ages about how they're going to fail, but take no steps to resolve the issue. You will feel better once you start- Don't let the fear of failure hold you back