

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

MOCK EXAM INFORMATION:

Paper 1: Catholic Christianity- 50 minutes

Paper 2: Judaism – 50 minutes

Paper 3: Philosophy and Ethics – 50 minutes

TOPICS TO BE REVISED:

See Revision Lists on the next pages

HELPFUL REVISION GUIDES:

All pupils will be provided with department revision.

My Revision Notes: Edexcel Religious Studies for GCSE (9-1): Catholic Christianity (Specification A): Faith and Practice in the 21st Century by Victor W. Watton ISBN 978-1510404809 £8.99

The above revision guide is due for release on 29th December 2017 on Amazon. It is intended that the RE Department will purchase a bulk order to try and keep costs down for pupils.

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TEACHER'S TOP TIPS

In each section, you answer all questions . Each set of questions has four parts to it.

- a) 3 mark question which asks you to 'state three' or 'outline three' facts or pieces of information.
- b) 4 mark question that asks you to 'explain two' or 'describe two'. These test knowledge and understanding. You need to write two paragraphs, each containing a developed point.
- c) 5 mark questions which will ask you to 'explain two'. You must give two detailed reasons. Remember to include a source of wisdom and authority in your answer that links to one of the detailed reasons you have made.
- d) 12 mark questions will give you a statement and ask you to evaluate it considering arguments for and against. They will also give you up to three bullet points of instructions about what you must include in the answer. Try and give two developed points for and two developed points against including sources of wisdom and authority. Try and ensure that your points are logical and link together. Remember you MUST include a justified conclusion which does not repeat points already made.

The first D question on each paper will also assess your spelling, punctuation and grammar where you can gain up to an extra 3 marks.

Effectively you shouldn't spend longer than 25 minutes on each section.

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How do you ensure that a point is developed?

- PEE method – Point, Example, Explain
- Using a connective such as because, therefore
- Including phrases such as : as a result, for example, this shows that, this means that

e.g. Explain two ways Catholics work for evangelism (4)

The Church calls Catholics to announce and spread the Gospel *as a result missionaries will often work in places such as Africa and preach the good news.*

A second way is about living the Gospel in daily lives, *this means performing acts of charity, or kindness, setting an example for others about what it means to be a Christian.*

REMEMBER Use sources of wisdom and authority in C and D questions

The Bible says.....The Church says.....Jesus said.....

10 Commandments· Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not lie, Do not commit adultery

Catechism of the Catholic Church

Golden rule 'Treat others as you want to be treated'.

As you have already completed mock exams on Judaism and Philosophy and Ethics we are not giving you a specific revision list for the January mock exams. You must go over everything we have covered.

For the Catholic Christianity paper we have given you the specific topics to learn that are covered on the paper.

Paper 1 Mock Exam

Roman Catholic Christianity

Section 1: Beliefs and Teachings

Events in the death of Jesus

Why believing in God as Father is important

Importance of the Incarnation

How creation helps understand the nature of God

Section 2: Practices

Features of the Mass

Importance of Prayer

Funerals as a Liturgical celebration

Pilgrimage

Paper 2 Mock Exam

Judaism

Section 1: Beliefs and Teachings

The Almighty
The Shekinah
The Messiah
The Covenant at Sinai
The Covenant with Abraham
The sanctity of life
Moral principles and the Mitzvot
Life after death

Section 2: Practices

Public acts of worship
The Tenakh and the Talmud
Private prayer
The Shema and the Amidah
Ritual and ceremony
Shabbat
Festivals
Features of a synagogue

Paper 3 Mock Exam

Philosophy and Ethics

Section 1: Arguments for the existence of God

Revelation
Visions
Miracles
Religious experiences
The design argument
The cosmological argument
The existence of suffering
Solutions to the problem of suffering

Section 2: Relationships in the 21st Century

Marriage
Sexual relationships
The family
Support for the family in the parish
Contraception
Divorce, annulment, remarriage
Equality of men and women in the family
Gender prejudice and discrimination