

Philosophy & Ethics Big Ideas	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Religions & WVs	What are the main religions and world views in the uk?	What did the Buddha teach? What difference does Karma make in a Hindu's life?	What do Christians Muslims Sikhs & Humanists believe about Life after Death? What's the significance of the 5 Pillars of Islam?	Why has Christianity the most followers of the 6 main world religions?	Is Buddhism a Philosophy or a religion?	How valuable to Christians are arguments for the existence of God? Which of the three normative ethical theories are the most satisfactory?	To what extent is Christianity a sexist religion? Is it as simple as science or religion not both?
Lived experience of Religions & WVs	How can we see 'lived religion' through the lens of religious dress, birth ceremonies, pilgrimages & festivals	How is everyday life for Buddhists and Hindus affected by what they believe?	How do different branches of Christians live out their beliefs in relation to Ethical issues? What does Love & Forgiveness in Christianity mean in real life?	Why are practices like going to church, praying, treating others with respect so important to Christians?	Why is meditation central to Buddhism? Can my classroom experience of meditation give me insight into a Buddhist way of life?	Are those Christians who value the bible over the church being better Christians? Are all expressions of Christian religious identity equally valid?	Are all types of Religious Language meaningless? How do Miracles undermine religions?
Life's Meaning & Purpose	What's important to the Islanders. How important is G-d to Jewish people. What's important to me?	How important are the Buddhas teachings and why?	What are the possible answers to Ultimate Questions? How do beliefs about the afterlife determine the meaning and purpose of this one?	What's the purpose of family life? Should marriage be a 5 year contract? Should religious believers care more about the environment?	Is life really all about suffering? How can you overcome suffering? How can society be fairer to all?	How can an omnipotent God allow so much suffering in the world? Is Christian evangelism a worthy purpose in life?	Does conscience make 'cowards of us all'? Whose argument about the existence of the soul is more credible - Plato or Aristotle?
How to live a good life	What does 'good' mean in relation to the history of the Jewish people	What can the Hindu game of Snakes and Ladders teach about how to live a good life?	How do I decide right & wrong? How do Christians put Love & Forgiveness into practice in order to live a good life?	What is the purpose of evil in the world? Do you have to be religious to live a good life?	How does the 8 fold path lead to a good life? What is Karma's role in living a good life? What does social justice mean in practice?	Do moral absolutes exist in real life? Could you argue that the impact of Nicky Cruz's religious experience was not 'good'?	What is the value of conscience as a moral guide?
Making sense of personal beliefs, values and identity	How can I express my personal beliefs and values in My artefact for Life task	What is 'My Place in the World'? What will my 'Treasure Box' contain? Both questions will be answered by completing these 2 tasks.	Can I work out where I stand on Ethical issues like, equality, racism, animal rights? Can I make sense of who I am in the Y9 Me In Art task?	What are my views on sex before marriage, contraception & family planning? Should the abortion legal limit of 24 weeks be changed? Should Euthanasia be legalised?	What is the right attitude to wealth? Who is responsible for the poor? Should there be total freedom of religious expression?	How can I argue for God's non-existence? Is it right to steal?	How possible is continuing personal existence after death? What difference does this make to everyday life?
Encouraging positive participation in multi religious & multi secular society	Can I 'practice' participation in society by taking part in role-play of birth ceremonies and Buddhist mindfulness exercises.	How important is the support of Charities locally, nationally and internationally. How might you get involved?	How can I apply knowledge of different perspectives & worldviews, to finding and confidently expressing my own?	How do Christian charities embrace all faiths and none? (eg food banks/street pastors)	How has the mindfulness we know today been influenced by Buddhist meditation?	How does Art and Literature reflect Christianity?	How are Christian beliefs reflected in the world we live in today?