

## Independent Learning in A Level Religious Studies



After each lesson, in addition to completing any set work, a pro-active, independent learner would...

- Ensure that notes are completed and filed suitably in a folder or book.
- Catch up on any missed lessons before the next lesson.
- Read the relevant textbook pages/reading given and annotate lesson notes with additional information.
- Make a list of things not fully understood to be reviewed, and discuss this with a peer in the first instance before approaching a teacher.
- E-mail or speak to their class teacher to arrange a meeting time for further clarification of any work they are unsure of; alternatively, attend the lunchtime Religious Studies Surgery Session on Tuesday, Week B in B1.02.
- At the end of each 'mini topic', create a mind-map or revision notes to review all of the content and see the bigger picture.
- Continue to purple pen and redraft marked work and return to their class teacher.
- Seek out additional sources of questions on areas of weakness and complete and self-mark questions with a mark scheme before asking for feedback from your teacher.
- Read the textbook chapter or reading given on the next topic before the next lesson.

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## Resources to help you study

Key resources, such as the exam specification, checklists, past papers and mark schemes, exam technique and advice etc. can be found in Handouts\Religious Studies.

Resource	Description
Student Checklist Sheets	You should have one for each topic. These will give you a breakdown of the specification and what you should have in your notes.
<ul> <li>Religious Studies for A level Year 1         Philosophy of religion and religious ethics     </li> <li>Religious studies for A Level Year 1         Christianity     </li> </ul>	These are the course text books for all Year 1 content.
<ul> <li>Religious Studies For A Level Year 2         Philosophy of religion     </li> <li>Religious Studies for A Level Year 2         religious ethics     </li> <li>Religious studies for A Level Year 2         Christianity     </li> </ul>	These are the course text books for all Year 2 content.
http://rsrevision.com/contents/index.h tm	Navigate your way around this useful website to find key study notes, and top tips for exam success!
https://philosophymonster.weebly.com	On this site you'll find links to online resources like websites, videos and downloadable materials. You can use these links to revise course content, read around a topic or find views of other scholars we have not studied in class.

## Stretch yourself

Read through additional literature given to you. Additionally, read relevant chapters in the *Puzzle of Ethics* and *The Puzzle of God*. Keep up-to-date with relevant articles from *The Church Times* & *The Tablet*. Sign up to *Dialogue* magazine.