


GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES: PERSONALISED LEARNING CHECKLIST

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Area of Study: Christian Beliefs				
The Trinity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show understanding of the nature and significance of the Trinity - I can link the Trinity to the Nicene Creed 				
Creation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain biblical creation stories and why they are significant for Christians - I can show understanding of the role of the Word and Spirit 				
Incarnation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the importance of Jesus Christ as the Son of God 				
Last days of Jesus' Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show understanding of the events in the last few days of Jesus' life and explain why they are important 				
Salvation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the role of Jesus in mankind gaining salvation - I can explain the importance of atonement for Christians 				
Christian Eschatology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain different Christian views about life after death - I can indicate where beliefs are found in the Bible 				
The Problem of Evil <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight the problems relating to God's qualities in the face of evil - I can show how the problems can cause Christians to question God - I can identify the difference between moral and natural evil 				
Solutions to the problem of evil <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain solutions offered to the problem of evil - I can use Biblical, theoretical and practical references such as soul making, freewill etc 				
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Area of Study: <u>Muslim Beliefs</u>				
The Six Beliefs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the nature and purpose of the six beliefs - I can comment on how they are understood in different communities: Sunni and Shi'a Muslims 				
Five Roots of Usul ad-Din <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the five Usul ad-Din and show the importance of them – including Qur'anic quotes - I can show why they are important for Shi'a Muslims 				
Nature of Allah <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain characteristics of God shown in the Qur'an - I can associate a Surah reference to the key beliefs – i.e. Tawhid, transcendence 				
Risalah <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain why prophets are important in Islam - I can identify the 7 main prophets and describe the roles they are believed to have held 				
Muslim Holy Books <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can identify and explain the significance of the 5 main books within Islam - I can explain the different attitudes that Muslims may have towards how important they are individually/collectively 				
Malaikah <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the nature and importance of angels for Muslims - I can show how the 3 main angels are shown in the Qur'an and why they are significant 				
Al-Qadr <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the idea of predestination and how freewill compares - I can reference sources of authority and makes links to this and the day of judgment 				
Akhirah - This needs to be compared to Christian ideas  - I can explain the different views towards life after death and show how they are portrayed in the Qur'an				
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Area of Study: Life and Death				
Origins and value of the universe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show understanding of scientific explanations for the universe - I can highlight Christian challenges to the above 				
Sanctity of Life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain why human life is holy - I can show understanding of Biblical text to support this concept 				
Origins and value of human life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain scientific and religious views towards human life (Survival of fittest and Christian responses) 				
Abortion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show understanding of issues surrounding abortion - I can explain both pro-choice and pro-life views - I can highlight points linked to Situation Ethics and Humanist approaches. 				
Life after death <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Christian teachings about life after death including the resurrection - I can explain other non-religious arguments for life after death - i.e past lives and the paranormal 				
Responses to arguments against life after death <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Christian responses to non-religious arguments against life after death 				
Euthanasia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight different views that Christians have and reference Biblical extracts - I can identify non-religious/humanist arguments surrounding euthanasia 				
Issues in the natural world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can identify threats to the natural world – ie. Global warming - I can show understanding of Christian teachings surrounding stewardship - I can explain Christian responses to animal rights 				
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Justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show understanding Muslim teachings on justice. - I can highlight why justice is important in Islam and reference non-religious attitudes and how Muslims respond to these. 				
Crime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the causes and teachings around crime. - I can show understanding of Muslim groups that work to end crime. 				
Good, evil and suffering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Muslim teachings about the nature of good and evil actions – showing both Islamic and non-religious views as to why suffering occurs. 				
Punishment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show understanding of the concept of punishment in Islam. - I can explain different Muslim attitudes towards punishment. - I can make links to Situation Ethics. 				
Aims of punishment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the 4 different aims of punishment. - I can reference Qur'anic teachings to punishment. - I can evaluate which is the most effective type of punishment. 				
Forgiveness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain why forgiveness is important within Islam. - I am able to highlight and explain the nature and use of restorative justice 				
Treatment of criminals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight different views that Muslims hold about the treatment of criminals. - I can identify and apply Muslim teachings 				
The death penalty <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can identify pros and cons of using the death penalty. - I can show understanding of Muslim teachings towards CP - I can explain other non-religious views and Muslims responses to them 				
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Area of Study: Marriage and the family				
Marriage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the importance and purpose of marriage - I can compare different Christian and non-religious attitudes to the importance of marriage 				
Sexual Relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain different Christian teachings about sexual relationship and attitudes towards sex outside marriage. - I can identify and explain different points of view towards homosexuality 				
Families <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Christian teachings about the purpose and importance of the family – including procreation, security and education of children. - I can show different attitudes to family life in modern society. 				
Support for the family in the local parish <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain how and why the local church community tries to support families. - I am able to reference worship, sacraments and classes / groups in my explanation for above. 				
Contraception <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Christian teachings about family planning and different attitudes towards contraception. - I can explain how ethical theories and non-religious beliefs compare to Christian views. 				
Divorce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight Christian attitudes towards divorce and re-marriage and reference key Biblical teachings. - I can indicate how non-religious and ethical theories might view these issues. 				
Equality of men and women in the family <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show Christian teachings about the equality of men and women in the family - I can identify different attitudes and responses to such. 				
Gender prejudice and discrimination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Christian teachings about gender prejudice and discrimination - I can use examples and Biblical references to show different attitudes and responses to them. 				
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Area of Study: living the Muslim life				
Ten Obligatory Acts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show an understanding of the Ten Obligatory Acts and explain the importance for Shi'a Muslims. - I can explain the nature, history and purpose of these Acts 				
Shahadah <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the role and significance of this pillar for Sunni and Shi'a Muslims - I can identify its importance and place in society today. 				
★ Salah - This needs to be compared to Christian ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the purpose and nature of Salah including different ways of understanding it. - I can identify how Salah is performed – abulation, times, directions 				
Sawm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show the significance and purpose of fasting during Ramadan and explain the importance of the Night of Power - I can show why Laylat al-Qadr is important for Muslims today. 				
Zakah and Khums <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain why Zakah is important for Sunni Muslims. - I can explain why Khums is important for Shi'a Muslims 				
Hajj <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the importance of Hajj in terms of the nature, role and origin - I can indicate the benefits and challenges from attending Hajj 				

Jihad <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight the meaning and importance of Jihad – including the greater and lesser jihad. - I can show the conditions for Jihad and the importance of it in a Muslims life 				
Celebrations and commemorations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the meaning and significance of the celebration of Id ul-Adha and Id ul-Fitr - I can explain the meaning and importance of Id-ul-Ghadeer and Ashura in Shi'a Islam 				
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Area of Study: <u>Living the Christian life PLC</u>				
Christian worship - This needs to be compared to Muslim ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain both liturgical and non-liturgical worship ★ - I can show understanding of the significance, attitudes and meaning of different forms of worship 				
The sacraments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the nature and importance of sacraments in a Christians life - I can highlight the meaning of baptism and the Eucharist in at least two Christian denominations 				
Prayer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the nature and purpose of prayer and show examples of different types of prayer and how/where they might be used. 				
Pilgrimage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can show an understanding of the nature, purpose and history of pilgrimage and explore why pilgrimage is still important for Christians today. - I can reference examples of places of significance – Jerusalem, Ion, Taize and Walsingham 				
Christian celebrations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the nature of Christian festivals - I can highlight the important of Christmas and Easter 				
The future of the Church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can identify and explain the purpose of evangelical and missionary work - I can indicate the important of putting the above into practice 				
The local church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight the role and importance of the local church - I can show ways in which it can help the community – outreach work, ecumenism and local parish activities. 				

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The worldwide Church				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the importance of the worldwide church community - I can explain why it worked for reconciliation and the problems faced by the persecuted church. 				
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Peace making				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Muslim teachings of peace-making - I can draw upon the importance of justice, forgiveness and reconciliation 				
Conflict				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain Muslim teachings and responses to the nature of conflict and identify the problems conflict causes in society. - I can compare these views with ethical and non-religious views. 				
Pacifism				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain different Muslim teachings and responses to the nature and history of pacifism including examples. 				
Just War Theory				

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Holy War <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain the nature of a holy war in Islam and show different attitudes towards such. 				
Weapons of mass destruction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can highlight Muslim teachings and responses to the problems and benefits of WMD - I can show comparison of Muslims attitudes to non-religious and ethical views. 				
Issues surrounding conflict <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - I can explain different Muslim attitudes and responses to the nature of problems involved in conflict. - I can show how Muslims have worked to overcome these issues. 				
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