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Term	Unit of Work	Knowledge and Skills	Assessment
1	Exploring Britain	Multicultural Britain	N/A – Geography-based assessment
2	Medieval History and Christianity	• Why was Jesus so significant? • How do we use the Bible and why is it significant for Christians? • What are the key Christian beliefs? • How does Christianity impact peoples' lives? • How do Christians interact with their local communities?	Assessment on Christianity.
3	The Age of discovery and revolution	N/A	N/A – History-based assessment
4	The Almighty dollar	N/A	N/A – Geography-based assessment
5	India and Buddhism	• The life of Siddhartha • The four noble truths • The Eight-fold path • How do Buddhists practise their religion? • The five moral precepts • The monastic lifestyle	Assessment on Buddhism
6	The History of Swindon	N/A	N/A – History-based assessment

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1	Restless earth	Homework focus – link between religion and volcanic eruptions article (reading and comprehension activity)	N/A - Geography-based assessment
2	Victorians	N/A	N/A - History-based assessment
3	Does religion make us good?	• Where did faith and religion originate? • Independent investigation: Is there a decline in religious followers? • Key beliefs of Christianity and Sikhism and the impact these beliefs have. • Christian and Sikh scripture analysis • Christian and Sikh case studies on how religion has impacted individuals' lives. • Key Humanist beliefs and the impact they have on peoples' lives.	Assessment RE-Does religion make us good?
4	Swindon in today's world	N/A	N/A - Geography-Decision making exercise
5	War and Peace	N/A	N/A - History-What caused WW1
6	East meets West	• What is the origin of Islam? • How did Islam spread?	Assessment on Islam

		• What are the key beliefs of Islam? • Why are Ramadan and Eid so significant for Muslims? • Muslim dress codes • The use and significance of the Qur'an. • The Holy land. • The crusades • Islam, Science and Technology	

Year 9

Term	Unit of Work	Knowledge and Skills	Assessment
1	God and the problem of suffering.	• Why does God allow bad things to happen? • The problem of evil and free will. • Just war theory • What is religion good for? • The impact of Jesus on the modern world. • How did the Holocaust impact the Jewish faith?	Evaluate: 'The impact religion has on the world is mainly negative'
2	Anne Frank	• Identity and persecution • How did Judaism survive the Holocaust? • Who was Anne Frank? • Where was God during the Holocaust? • Did God break the covenant during the Holocaust?	N/A

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3	Ethical Issues	• The sanctity of life • Abortion • Euthanasia • Animal rights	Evaluate: 'A woman should not be allowed to have an abortion just because her child is disabled'
4	Medical Ethics	• IVF • Genetic Engineering • Designer babies • Saviour siblings • Organ donation.	N/A
5	Denominations	• Jehovah's witnesses • Salvation Army • Mormonism • Amish	Denominations-Various questions
6	Life after death	• What is the afterlife? • Evidence of the afterlife? • Do ghosts prove there is an afterlife? • Near death experiences • Funerals around the world.	N/A

Year 10

Term	**Unit of Work**	**Knowledge and Skills**	**Assessment**
1	Christian beliefs	• The impact of God on the world • The qualities of God	Past Paper

		• Creation • The life and teachings of Jesus. • The significance of the crucifixion and resurrection. • The afterlife • Original Sin • Salvation	
2	Christian Practices	• Worship • Prayer • Baptism • Holy Communion • Pilgrimage • Festivals • The Church in the local community • Evangelism • Church growth • Persecution	Past Paper
3	Buddhist beliefs	• The life of the Buddha • Asceticism • Enlightenment • The key beliefs of Buddhism (4 noble truths, Eight-fold path, 3 marks of existence) • Different Buddhist denominations • Denominational comparison	Past Paper
4		• Places of worship	Past Paper

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	Buddhist practices	• Purpose of worship • Meditation • Death and mourning • Festivals • Karma and rebirth • Karuna • Metta • 5 moral precepts • 6 perfections	
5	Religion and life	• Creation • The Big Bang • The environment • Animals • Origins of human life • Sanctity of life • Abortion • Euthanasia • Death and the afterlife	Past Paper
6	Religion, relationships and families	• Human sexuality • Sexual relationships before and outside of marriage • Contraception and family planning • The purpose of marriage • Divorce and remarriage • The nature and purpose of families • Gender equality	Past Paper

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1 **2**	Religion, peace and conflict	• Peace, justice, forgiveness and reconciliation • Terrorism • Causes of war • Just war theory • Holy war • Weapons of mass destruction • Pacifism • Victims of war	Past Paper
3	Religion, crime and punishment	• Reasons for crime • Types of crime • Aims of punishment • Suffering • Treatment of Criminals • Forgiveness • The death penalty	Past Paper

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4	Revision	Focus upon skills and targeted interventions based upon past paper findings.	
5	Revision		
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