



QPHS Year 13 Ethics, Philosophy and Religious Studies Curriculum Map

Half term	Title	Unit summary	Assessment
1	Ethics Theme 4 Free will and Determinism	A – Concept of Predestination, St Augustine and John Calvin B – Determinism - secular C – Implications Pred and Determinism D – Religious concepts of free will – Pelagius and Arminius E – Concepts of libertarianism - secular F – Implications of lib and free will	(a) Explain hard determinism with reference to philosophical, scientific and psychological concepts. [20] (b) ‘The philosophical concept of hard determinism clearly illustrates humanity has no free will.’ Evaluate this view. [30]
2	Christianity Theme 3 Social and Historical developments in religious thought	A – Christian attitudes to wealth B – Christianity and migration C – Feminist theology D – Challenges from secularisation E – Challenges from science F – Challenges from Pluralism	a) Examine the evidence for claiming that the UK can be called a ‘Christian country’ [20] b) “The Christian response to the challenge of secularism has been effective” Evaluate this view [30]
3	Philosophy Theme 4 Religious Language	A – Inherent problems of Religious Language B – Religious Language as cognitive but meaningless C – Religious Language as non-cognitive and analogical D – Religious Language as non-cognitive and symbolic E – Rel Lang non cognitive and mythical F – Language games	a) Explain how Logical Positivism challenges the meaningfulness of religious language. [20] (b) ‘Logical Positivism successfully shows that religious language is meaningless.’ Evaluate this view. [30]
4	Christianity Theme 4 Religious practices that shape religious identity	A – Identity through baptism B – Eucharist C – Festivals (Christmas & Easter) D – Unification E – Religious experience F – Responses to poverty and injustice	a) Explain how South American liberation theology has responded to the issues of poverty and injustice [20] b) “South American liberation theology is more political than it is religious” Evaluate this view [30]
5	Philosophy Theme 3 Religious experience	A – Visions and conversions, mysticism, and prayer B – Mystical experience C – Challenges to objectivity & authenticity of religious experience D – Impact of religious experience E – Definitions of miracles F – Miracles, Hume vs Swinburne	a) Examine the term ‘miracle’ with reference to three scholars. [20] b) ‘All definitions of miracles are inadequate.’ Evaluate this view. [30]
6	Ethics Theme 1 Ethical Thought	A - Divine command theory. B - Virtue Ethics C - Ethical Egoism Meta Ethics: D - Naturalism E - Intuitionism F - Emotivism	a) Explain challenges to the meta-ethical approach of Naturalism. [20] (b) ‘Ethical statements are not objective.’ Evaluate this view. [30]

