

AS and A Level Religious Studies

Amendments to AS and A Level Religious Studies: Frequently Asked Questions

Why have these amendments been made?

As part of our ongoing commitment to reviewing and enhancing specifications throughout their lifecycle, we've made minor amendments to the AS and A Level Religious Studies qualifications to ensure they remain accurate, consistent, and up to date. These changes are minimal, and our focus throughout has been on improving the student experience while keeping disruption to teaching to a minimum.

We will also be updating any relevant documentation on our website to reflect these changes.

What amendments have been made to the Anthology?

The specification lists several extracts for Paper 3 New Testament Studies. One of them (the Sermon on the Plain) was missing from the Anthology, and so this has been corrected. In addition, a few minor corrections have been made to ensure accuracy and alignment with the specification.

What amendments have been made to the AS Level Specification?

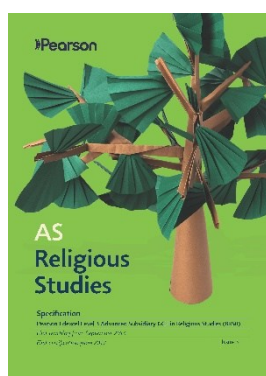
Minor corrections have been made, to fully align the AS specification with the A Level specification.

What amendments have been made to the A Level Specification?

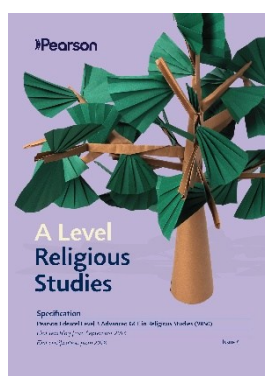
Minor updates have been made, mainly to fix minor inaccuracies and to improve the clarity of wording.

Where can I find additional detail on the amendments listed to the AS and A Level specifications and to the Anthology?

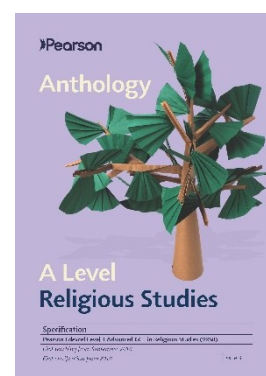
All amendments are listed in the table which appears immediately before the Contents pages in the updated versions of the specifications and the Anthology. You can access these documents via the links below.



AS Level Religious Studies Specification



A Level Religious Studies Specification



Anthology

When should I start using the amended specifications?

For AS and A Level, you should start using the amended specifications with your new Year 12 students in September 2025. You can continue to use the previous version of the A Level specification with your Year 13 students.

When should I start using the amended anthology?

You can start using the amended Anthology immediately with both Year 12 and Year 13.

When will these changes take effect for assessment?

Amendments will take effect for first assessment from Summer 2026 for AS level and Summer 2027 for A-Level.

What should I do if after reading this document if I'm still unsure about what these changes mean?

You can contact us in various ways for clarification.

- Email: TeachingReligiousStudies@pearson.com
- Call: +44 (0) 344 463 2535
- Book a Teams meeting with the subject advisor: <https://bit.ly/3rEVLx8>

*To stay informed, we recommend that you additionally sign up for subject updates, by following [this link](#).