

Edexcel GCE A level Religious Studies

Support materials

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A hyperlink is provided for each item of support. Some links are directly to specific files, some are to the webpages or dropdowns where the files are stored.

Website

[Religious Studies subject page](#)

The Religious Studies subject page is the best starting place for our RS qualifications. It includes the latest news and provides links, to navigate to all other RS qualifications.

[A level Religious Studies qualification page](#)

The A level Religious Studies qualification page is the go-to page for all exam materials and teaching and learning resources for this qualification.

News

[Sign up for subject updates](#)

One of the best ways to keep up-to-date with new resources, information and events is to sign up to the monthly Religious Studies subject email updates.

[View the latest subject update online](#)

You can sign up to receive these direct to your email and view past editions, from the Religious Studies subject page, under the 'news' tab.

Specification and sample assessments

[AS Specification](#)

[A level Specification](#)

These links are a good starting point to delivery of AS and A Level Religious Studies. They provide a comprehensive guide of teaching expectations and examined content.

[Anthology](#)

The Anthology provides the set of extracts to be studied as part of the specification content.

[AS Sample assessment materials](#)

[A level Sample assessment materials](#)

Our sample assessment materials provide example exam questions and mark schemes for each paper choice. These are available for both AS and A level Religious Studies.

**Any materials which include exam materials/questions from the previous exam series will require an Edexcel Online password to be able to access. Your exam officer can set up a login for you.*

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Exam materials	
Past papers, mark schemes and examiner reports	These are available for every exam series since 2018. 'Mark schemes' include indicative materials which could be included for each question. 'Examiner reports' include commentary from the principal examiner on how each question performed and include exemplar answers from the series.
Specimen papers and mark schemes	These are extra sets of practice papers and mark schemes, to exemplify the A level Religious Studies assessment model. These cover Papers 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4b and 4d.
Exam question overviews	These are collations of all exam questions, from Sample Assessment materials and the 2018-2022 exam series. These are available for exam papers across AS and A level RS.
Curriculum planning	
Schemes of work	These are sample, outline schemes of work for each paper in the specification, in editable Word files.
Course planner	This is an editable word document which outlines different models of mapping the course, for both AS and A level Religious Studies.
Guides	
Guide to Edexcel A level Religious Studies	This is an overview of the qualification, to help you get to grips with the content and assessment requirements.
Getting started teacher guide	This is a guide to the qualification including planning, the structure of the course and specific assessment guidance.
RS recommended time per question	This resource includes recommended times for candidates to spend answering each question in the GCSE, AS and A level Religious Studies qualifications.
Guidance on using the specification	This resource discusses the importance of the specification and key features of the specification for both GCSE and A level RS.
Anthology guidance	This resource clarifies expectations surrounding the use of anthology and guidance when approaching 'Clarify' questions.
Past training	
Past training content	These are resources made available to delegates in past training events and include presentation slides and example answers.
CPD Training courses	All new events are published on our monthly subject updates and will be available to book using this booking page.

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Exemplar answers	
Exemplar material	We have a range of student exemplar answers available with examiner commentary. There are answers available for all question types, across all papers and across the mark range.
YouTube tutorial videos	This links to a range of different YouTube videos, looking at assessment across different question types.
Teaching and Learning resources	
Topic of the Month	This resource is published monthly and aims to connect a recent news story with our GCSE and A level courses.
Transition Material	This links to a range of transition activities, designed help students explore A level topics following their GCSE exams. It includes stimulus options, key questions and further reading options.
Published resources	This links to published student guides, across different A level papers.
Promotional material	Provided here are a range of posters, designed to help promote Religious Studies. They include key questions across specific papers within the qualification.
Pearson Edexcel services	
ResultsPlus	'ResultsPlus' is our online results analysis tool for teachers. Included as part of your qualification fees, ResultsPlus gives you a detailed breakdown of your students' performance in Pearson Edexcel exams.
Access to Scripts	'Access to Scripts' is an online service, included as part of your qualification fees, that allows you to view your candidates' marked scripts online or download as a PDF.
examWizard	'examWizard' is an online resource containing a huge bank of past paper questions and support materials to help you create your own mock exams and tests. Available for a range of GCSE, A level subjects, BTEC and Functional Skills, examWizard is easy to use, intuitive and saves you valuable time.

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