

A READING LIST FOR RE STUDENTS

We do not really mind what you read. Any reading done out of curiosity about any things religious, ethical, philosophical or scriptural broadens your mind, your soul and enhances your learning.

“The whole problem with the world is that fools and fanatics are always so certain of themselves; and wiser people are so full of doubts!”

(Bertrand Russell)

“A fool thinks himself wise, but a wise person knows themselves to be a fool”. (William Shakespeare)

“A wise man never knows all. Only a fool knows everything!”

(African Proverb)

Reading is not a search to try and know everything there is to know about everything!

However, we do set you two challenges for anything you do read:

1. **Make sure that what you read is not too easy! Step out of your comfort zone!**
(If you are using the Accelerated Reader programme, this can maybe help here. Alternatively, just be honest with yourself. If you are able to read something very quickly, and are coming across no new words in it, then swap it for something else!)
2. **Whatever you read, as you read it, look to make connections to topics you have previously studied previously in RE (and even in other subjects).**

Think carefully and look deeply into it to find ideas that are similar to those you have studied elsewhere, and ideas that oppose those you have studied elsewhere!

To help you pick a book that has things in it that you have recently studied, we have arranged the books on this list by Year Group. We have arranged the RE Section in the library by year group too.

However, you do not have to choose a book that is linked to your year group. It can be from a year group and topics that you have completed (as long as it is a challenging read). It can be for a year group and set of topics that you have not reached yet but you think look interesting.

YEAR 7

The Life of Nano Nagle - Religious Section (top shelf)

Give to the poor in handfuls (The life of Edmund Rice) – Religious Section (top shelf)

Brother Edward Senan Kerrigan (A Tribute) - Religious Section (top shelf)

21st Century religions (Islam) – Library book number 297 (Religion Section)

Islam (religion in focus) – Library book number 297 (Religious Section)

Atlas of world faiths (Islam) - Library book number 297 (Religious Section)

YEAR 8

Crime and Punishment - Library book number 364 (Religious Section)

Crime Punishment (changing attitudes) - Library book number 364 (Religious Section)

Why do people fight wars? - Library book number 172 (Religious Section)

Dealing with Crime - Library book number 2362.2 (Religious Section)

The Death Penalty - Library book number 364 (Religious Section)

Right or Wrong - Library book number 170 (Religious Section)

YEAR 9

Euthanasia - Library book number 179.7 (Religious Section)

Animal research and testing - Library book number 179.2 (Religious Section)

Should we eat animals - Library book number 179.3 (Religious Section)

World issues (Animal rights) - Library book number 179 (Religious Section)

Climate change - Library book number 363.73 (Religious Section)

The Essence of Buddhism (The Buddha's Enlightenment) - Library book number 294.3 (Religious Section)

Sustainable energy - Library book number 333.7(Religious Section)

Fossil fuels - Library book number 333.82 (Religious Section)

What if we do nothing? (Pollution) - Library book number 363.7
(Religious Section)

GCSE

Jewish Beliefs and Issues – Keene (296)

The Facts About Judaism - Cooper (296)

Eyewitness Guide to Judaism (296)

Listen to Her Voice: Women in the Hebrew Bible – Raver (220.9)

The Global History of Catholicism -(282)

Birth Control (Ethical Debates) - Bailey (176)

A Level Ethics

Applied Ethics – Singer (170)

Issues of Life and Death – Wilcockson (170)

Environmental Ethics – Walker (179.9)

Introducing Ethics – Robinson & Garratt (170)

Ethical Theory - Thompson (170)

The Moral of the Story - Rosenstand (170)

The Puzzle of Ethics – Vardy (170)

A Companion to Ethics – ed. Singer (170)

Abacus “Dark Green” Ethics Pamphlet Series (170)

A Level Philosophy

Philosophy of Religion – Cole (200.1)

Philosophy of Religion – Jones Cardinal Hayward (200.1)

Abacus “Red” Philosophy of Religion Series (200.1)

The Thinkers Guide to God – Arliss (211)

The Puzzle of God – Vardy (211)

Essentials of Philosophy – Mannion (No library number)

A Level New Testament

Abacus “Pale Green” New Testament Pamphlet Series (230.0071)

Abacus "Pale Blue" New Testament Pamphlet Series (230.0071)

Christian Theology Trust "Green and Orange" Pamphlets (230.0071)

Wider Reading – Wisdom & Spirituality
