

Year 9 Learning Journey Information

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Ethics



Knowledge
Students explore key ethical theories such as the sanctity of life. They examine current issues such as whether all laws should be followed and consider whether religion has passed its sell-by date.

Skill
Students evaluate arguments, construct reasoned viewpoints, and write balanced arguments on ethical questions.

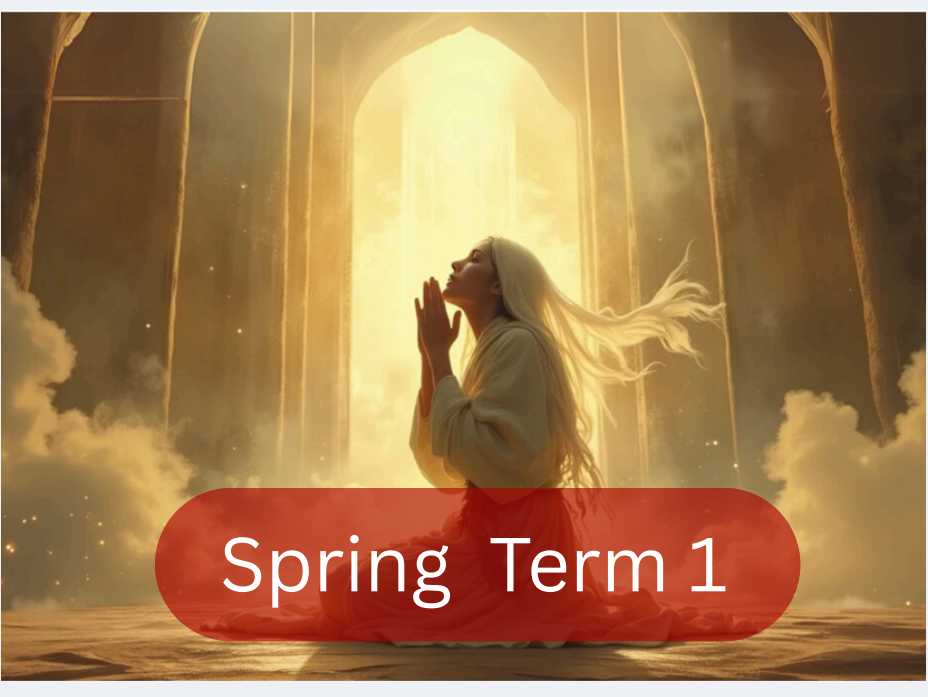
Ethics



Knowledge
Students explore moral dilemmas around poverty, animal rights, the environment and natural disasters. Students examine these topics through the lens of different religious approaches

Skill
Students assess the strengths and weaknesses of different religious viewpoints, and construct balanced arguments that demonstrate empathy, critical thinking, and ethical reasoning.

Philosophy



Knowledge
Students study major philosophical questions such as the existence of God, the afterlife, and the nature of reality. They then explore philosophical debates like immortality and suffering

Skill
Students analyse abstract ideas, question assumptions, and build logical arguments in written and oral form.

Philosophy in Religion



Knowledge
Students examine philosophy through the lens of Christianity before looking at Islamic, Jewish and Hindu moral codes.

Skill
Students evaluate how Islamic, Jewish, and Hindu moral codes approach similar issues. They identify similarities and differences across traditions and assess the reasoning behind each perspective

Religious Rebels



Knowledge
Students investigate figures who challenged religious authority, such as Martin Luther, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and modern reformers. They explore how rebellion shaped religious traditions and society.

Skill
Students compare perspectives, debate controversial ideas, and develop respectful dialogue about dissent and reform.

Matriarchs of the Bible



Knowledge
Students study key female figures in the Bible such as Eve, Deborah, Esther, and Mary. They explore their roles, influence, and how their stories contribute to Christian traditions.

Skill
Students interpret religious texts, evaluate symbolism, and reflect on how these matriarchs shaped identity, family, and faith communities.