

Religious Studies GCSE

Examination
Board: OCR
Course Code:
J625



ASSESSMENTS	LENGTH?	WHEN?	WORTH?
Paper 1 Beliefs Teachings and practices in Christianity	1 hour	Summer Year 11	25%
Paper 2 Beliefs Teachings and practices in Islam	1 hour	Summer Year 11	25%
Paper 3 Philosophy and Ethics from the perspective of Christianity	2 hours	Summer Year 11	50%

WHAT SORTS OF THINGS DO SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS DO TO REVISE?

1. Key words—learn the key words—make sure you can explain in a couple of sentences why they are important.
2. Prepare yourself with stationery—coloured pens, post-it notes, record cards, A3 sheets of paper (different colours for different topics), highlighters.
3. Spider diagrams. Take a topic—the five pillars for instance. Note down all you know before looking at your notes. Add to the diagram with information from your notes.
4. Revision guides—read through and attempt the practise questions.
5. Revision cards—make cards for the different topics with key ideas that you need to know.
6. Using a set of cards, for each of the areas write key terms or teachings on them. Test yourself by picking a card and explaining what it is—pick another and then discuss how it links to the first.
7. Key word crosswords (Mrs Breeds will give these to you)
8. Practise longer assessment questions—work in pairs to discuss different viewpoints.
9. Practise writing in timed conditions—plan out your answer and then write in the given number of minutes.
10. Practise longer answer essay plans/ spider diagrams.
11. Revise with a friend—each write 10 questions and swap to try answers.

WHERE CAN WE FIND USEFUL ONLINE RESOURCES?

BBC Bitesize

Mrs Breeds has some revision resources that you can use—online and paper copies.