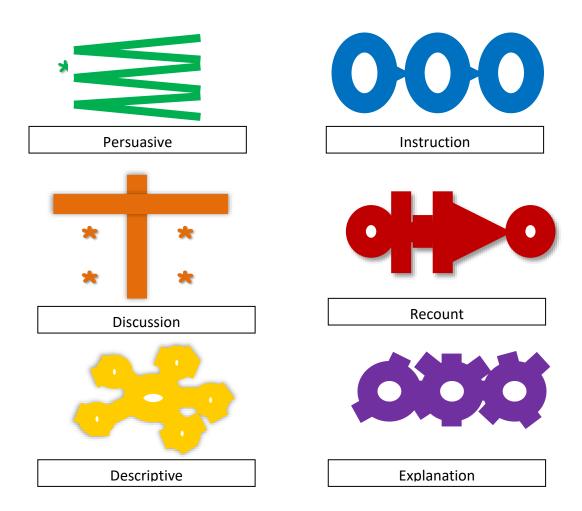
Our World

- Creation
- Using Talents
- The Place of Humankind in the World
- The Purpose of Humankind in the World
- Stewardship Issues
- Animal Rights
- Care for the World and Environment

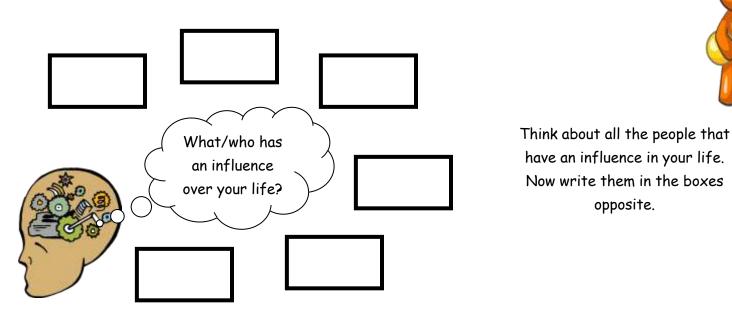
In this Unit of Study you will encounter a range of text types. These are:



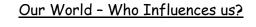
Our World - What makes us human?

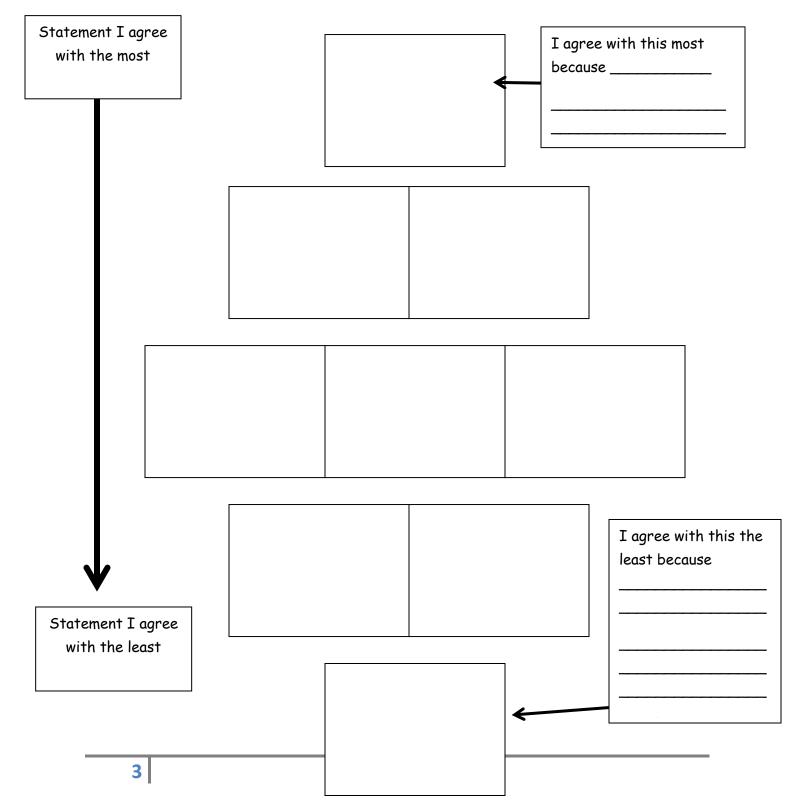
Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To understand what makes us human.			
To identify influences in our lives.			

When we start asking questions about ourselves we find there are many different aspects that make us the people that we are. We have bodies that grow and help us live and more; we have minds to think and decide; we have personalities that make us different from other people; we have emotions through which we react; we also have experiences and influences that affect the kind of people we are and the decisions we make.



Below is an opinion diamond - on the sheet in front of you are a number of influences that people have in their lives, read through them and place them into the diamond. At the top you put the person/people that influence you the most and at the bottom the least.





Our World - Why are we Here?

So we know what makes us up as humans and what influences us, but what is the purpose of a human being? Why are we here? Statements I disagree Statements I agree with with People do not live To try and make nowadays; they get the world a better Someday I want to about ten percent place? be rich out of life. To do all the things I want to 'You have made us to know you, God, and until we die restless do and go all the places I until we know you.' (St Augustine) want to go. People give many reasons as to why we exist, what is your thought on this? I think we exist to Humanity is -Key Word Alert!

<u>Humanity – Religious Ideas</u>

Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To explain religious ideas on the soul			
To describe religious ideas on the place of humans in the world.			

All religions teach that human beings are unique and different from all other animals. Below are some features that humans are said to have but they are the definitions are all mixed up, either draw a line to the correct definition or use colour to match the correct terms and definitions.

Intelligence

Humans are created in God's image; capable of religious behavior and beliefs; having a conscience; in possession of a soul.

Morality

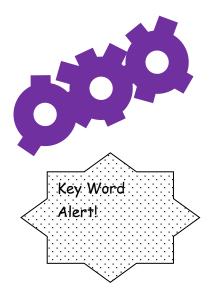
The ability to write / read languages; use learned languages.

Language

A sense of right and wrong: values

Revelation

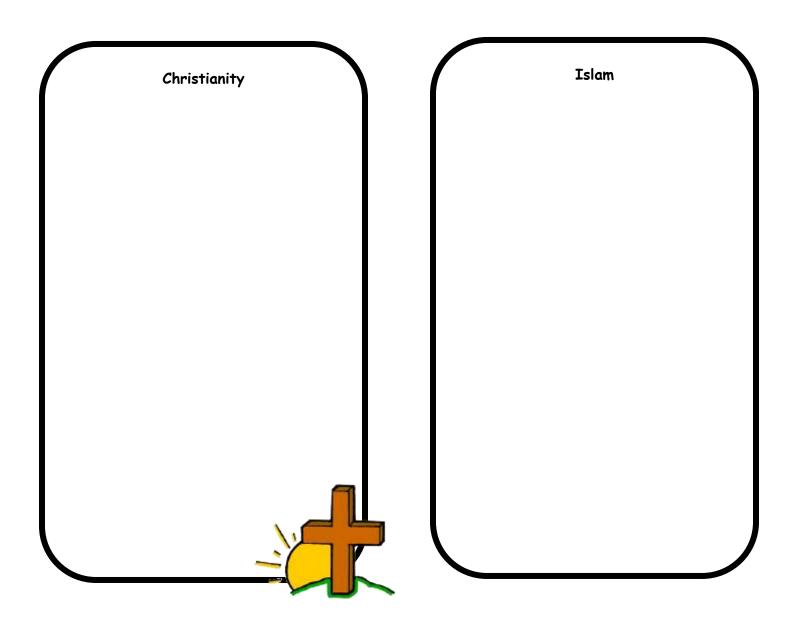
The ability to think and reflect; to apply knowledge and learning to reason.

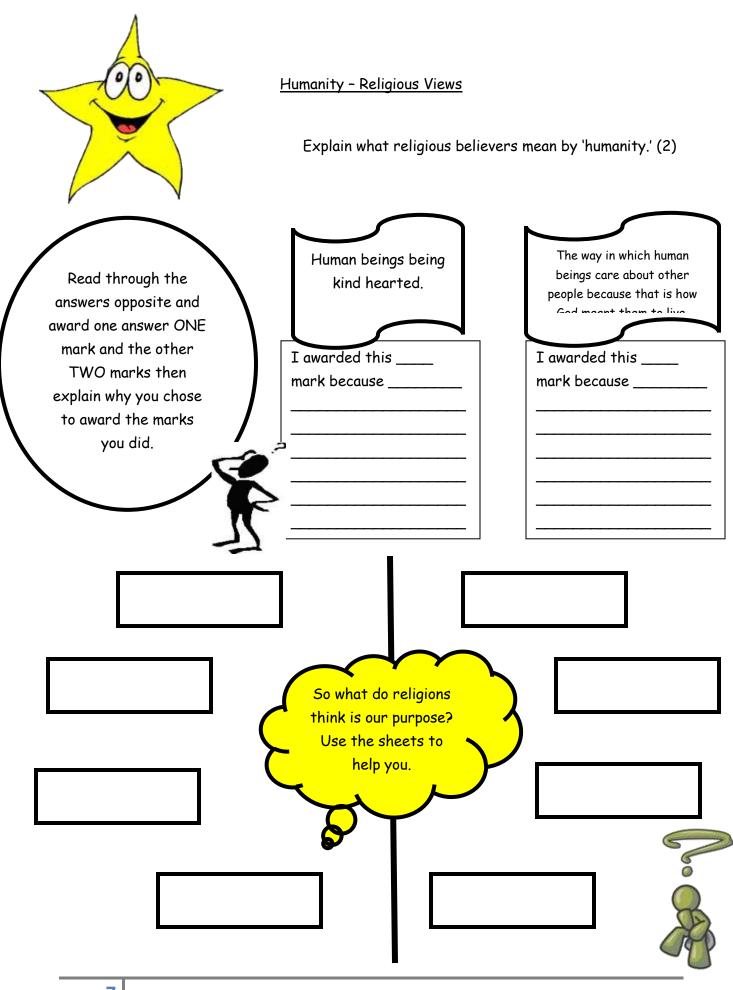


<u>Humanity - Religious Views</u>

The soul is -

Religions and sacred books tell us how humanity has a number of purposes and responsibilities in life. Use the books to help fill out the boxes on this page.





Using Our Talents?

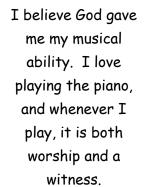
Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To list the different talents that people have			
To describe the way in which religious people use their talen			

'A winner is someone who recognizes his God given talents, works his tail off to develop them into skills, and uses them to accomplish his goals.'

Larry Bird

What do you think this coach is trying to say about a person's talents?

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Religious views on using our talents...



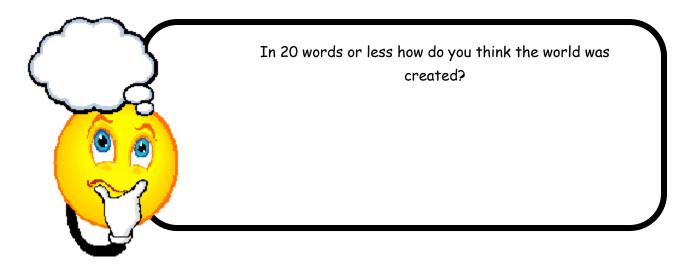
The quotes above are taken from a Christian and a Jewish believer. They show that God is responsible for giving people special talents etc. Do you agree with this view or are talents developed some other way? Explain your view.

It's my duty to use the talents God has given me to carry out good deeds.'

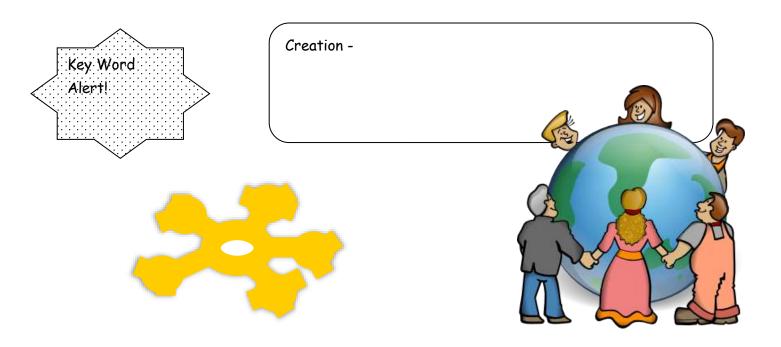
Look up the parable of the talents – write this parable in your own words. Underneath your paragraph write a tweet that would sum up the message of the parable.

How Did the Universe Begin?

Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To explain views on the creation of the universe			
To describe literal and non-literal religious views on the creation of the universe			



Throughout history people have asked this question. To many religious people there is little doubt that God is the cause or creator of the universe. As Science has developed ideas about the creation of the universe begun to change, to some they replaced the idea of God as the originator of all things.



How Did the Universe Begin?

Research and create a storyboard about the creation of the universe in Christianity and Judaism (they both share the same story).

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There are different responses to this story in both Christianity and Judaism - what do you think about the creation story?

I think that the story is



How did the Universe Begin?

There are two different views towards the Christian creation story, literal and non-literal.

Take two pencils and then colour code the following information using the information on page 11 to help you. Colour in the key then the statements to match. Then fill in the key word boxes with your own ideas on literal and non-literal ideas on creation stories.

Statements that support the idea that every word in the Bible is true.



Statements that support the idea that the Bible is not true word for word, but states that God created the world.

The main points of the story actually happened the way they are described literally The main point of the story is not to detail how God created, but to state that he did.

So the story is not a literal account, but does contain important truths - such as:

- God did create the world
- That he used the natural processes he created.
- That there were clear 'periods' of creation, though not 24 hours as such

The main points of the story actually happened the way they are described - literally:

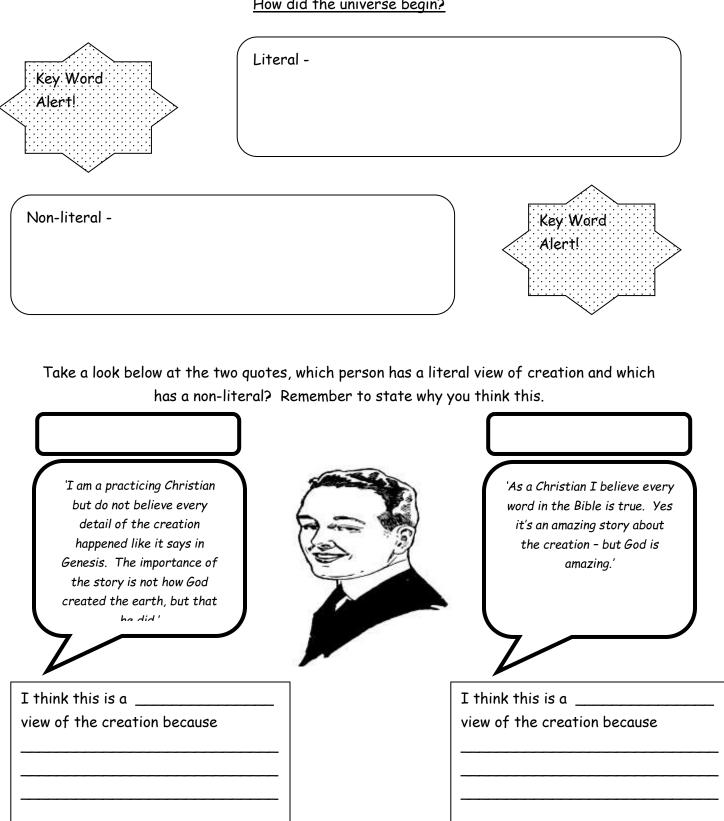
- God's spirit moved across the waters
- There were six days of 24 hours in which God created
- Adam was formed out of the dust of the earth.
- Fve was formed out of Adam's rib

Believers of this view see a conflict between science and religion, and are convinced of the truth of the Bible in a literal and fundamental sense.

People who accept
this view, see no real
conflict between
scientific theories
and religion, and can
see how both weave
together to give a full
picture of life and



How did the universe begin?



Explain the beliefs from <u>ONE</u> religious tradition about the world and the purpose of human beings.	n
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The Scientific View on Creation

Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To explain Scientific views on the creation of the			
universe			
To evaluate whether science and religion are			
complementary.			

What do you remember from the religious stories of creation from last lesson - answer the following questions and see how you do.





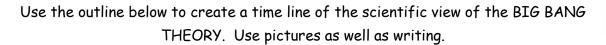
What I can remember

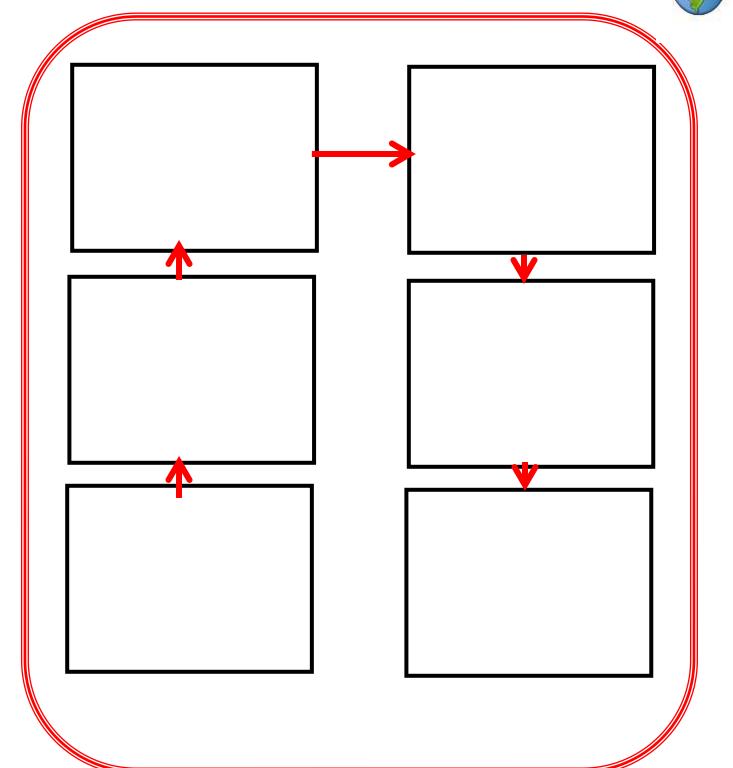
- 1. How many days did God create the world in?
- 2. What did he do on the first day?
- 3. What did he do on the last day?
- 4. What came first the sun and moon or the land and seas?
- 5. With what did God create the world?

Now pass your answers to the person next to you to

Mark and see how well you did. Score your work out of 5.

The Scientific View on Creation





The Scientific Creation Story

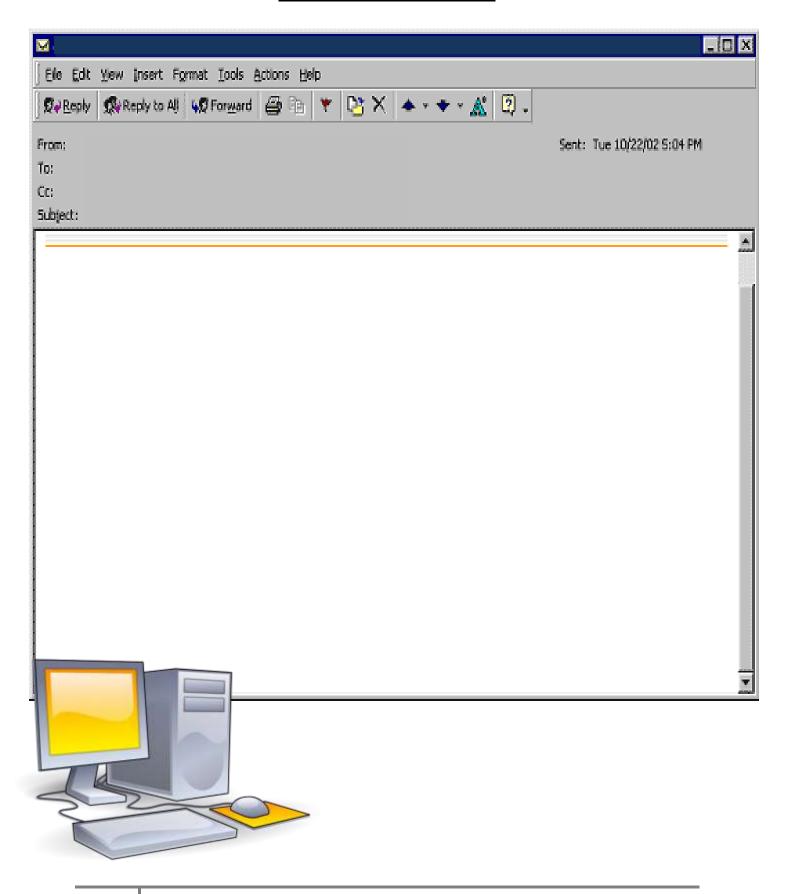
To accompany the scientific view of the Big Bang Theory is Darwin's Theory of Evolution. Sarah has been given some homework where she has to write about Darwin's Theory of Evolution, she has sent you an email:



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Send the reply e-mail on the next page detailing information from about the actual theory of evolution. You can make some notes below to help you with this task.			
			

The Scientific View of Creation



The Scientific View of Creation

For religious believers the Theory of Evolution presents many problems - Look through the quotes that follow and explain in your own words what you think the people are trying to

say.

Science without religion is lame; religion without science is blind.'

Albert Einstein

Science and religion seek to answer different questions. Science asks how things happen, religion asks why. Genesis is not there to give us strict, technical answers about how the universe began. It gives us the big answer that things exist because of God's will.'

John Polkinghorne, Prof Mathematics
(Cambridge)

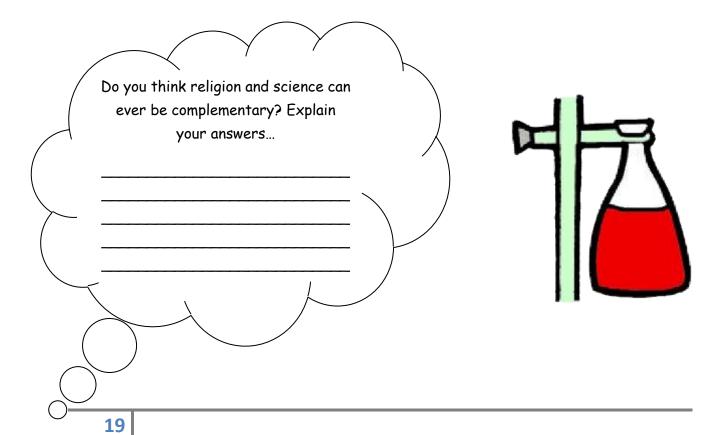
List the arguments for and against the compatibility of religion and science.

FOR AGAINST

Religion and Science - Are they Compatible?

Below are comments about Science and Religion - see if you can highlight the key and statements to show which go with religion and which with science.

Arguments that show Religious Ideas	Arguments that show Scientific Ideas
Try to explain the purpose in things that happen	Try to explain how and when things happen
Explain the Mechanisms and processes	Explain the value or significance
Start from an idea and work towards a conclusion	Start from a belief and work to a conclusion
Are statements of beliefs based on sacred writings; religious experiences and/or tradition	Are ideas based on evidence collected and the knowledge available
Are not open to categorical or empirical proof or disproof	Are open to review or rejection as new or wider information becomes available
Are explanations of how things are seen	Are sometimes taken to be literal truths
and believed to be, and are not considered to be religious, philosophical or metaphysical in nature	though many understand them as parables, allegories or myths of explanations.





The Scientific View for Creation

'The scientific view for the creation of the universe is more believable than the religious view.' Do you agree? Give reasons to support your answers, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view (8)

	Others might also agree because
	Some people might disagree with this. They would say Others might also disagree because
	Christians would disagree with this because the teachings of the Bible say Also they follow the they may believe that
	I agree/disagree with this statement because I think that

Scientific View of Creation - Self Assessment

Using the assessment leveling sheets at the front of the booklets mark your own work

	Teacher mark	Self Assessment	Peer Assessment
Level 1			
Level 2			
Level 3			
Level 4			

What do you think you did particularly well in this 8 mark question? Colour in those you agree with. I gave I explained I used detailed my religious opinion reasons ideas I gave a understood number of the reasons not question just 1. I need to improve by _

Am I able to answer exam questions accurately?

Learning Objectives	Confident!	Not	Don't know
		sure?	
To be able to use knowledge accurately in exam questions			
To understand the expectations of different types of exam questions			

1.	Explain	what r	religious	believers	mean by	y 'the	soul.' ((2)
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- 2. Explain what religious believers mean by 'humanity.' (2)
- 3. Explain how religious believers feel we should use our talents (4)
- 4. Explain how having a religious faith might influence a believer to look after the world(4)

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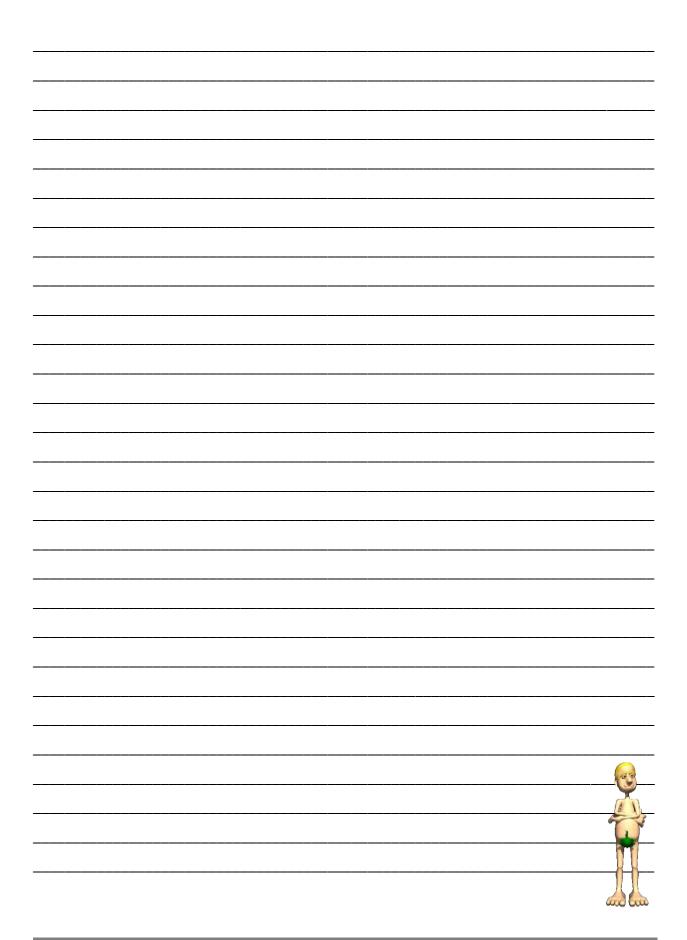
Life has no in built purpose; you make it yourself

Give two reasons why a religious believer might agree or disagree. (4)



6. 'The world is there for us humans to enjoy; that's all that matters.' Do you agree? Give reasons or evidence for your answer, showing that you have thought of more than one point of view. You must include reference to religious beliefs in your answer. (8)

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Why Care for the Planet?

Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To define key religious terms			
To describe ways in which people care for the world			

Do you think it is important to look after the world? Explain your answer. Have you ever done anything to help care for the world? What do you think is the most effective way to look after the world? How do you think we can do more to look after the world? Key Word Environment -Alert! Dominion -Key Word Alert

Why care for the world?

Who made a Mess?	
Who made a mess of the planet?	What do you think is the cost that Steve Turner mentions in his poem?
And what's that bad smell in the breeze?	
Who punched a hole in the ozone?	
And who took an axe to my trees?	
Who's going to tidy up later	
And who's going to find what you've lost?	
Who's going to say that they're sorry	
And who's going to carry the cost?	
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Explain what religious believers mean by 'natural	negouneer (2)
Explain what religious believers mean by hataral	resources. (2)

Religious Views on Caring for the planet

Learning Objective	Confident	Not sure	Don't Know
To describe Christian and Muslim views towards taking care of the planet			
To explain the work of religious organizations in			
taking care of the planet			

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Chico Mendes

Who was Chico Mendes and what was his message? Research the work and campaigns led by Chico to save the rainforest. Produce a newspaper report on his life, campaign and achievements. In your report, emphasise why Chico Mendes believed it was vital we take better care of the environment.

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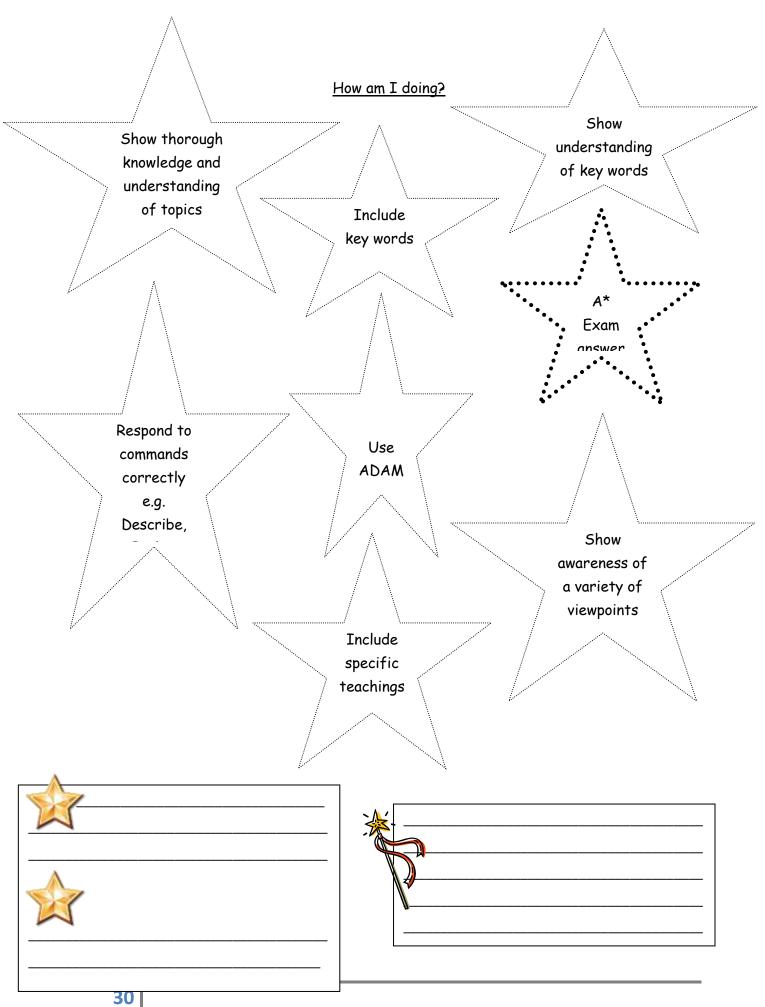
Muslim attitudes towards caring for the planet

Use the information provided to help you complete the table below:

Why do Muslims believe	
they have a duty towards	
the world?	
What are three ways	
Muslims could carry out	
their responsibilities?	
Use the quote below to	
explain the meaning of	
Khalifah	
TA is be substanted to	
'It is he who made you	
his agents and inheritors	
of the Earth'	
Why is a litter-free	
environment important?	
What is the Muslim view	
on concern for animals	
and <u>why</u> ?	
Case Study Amen -	
What do the letters	
stand for? What do they	
do?	



Explain the teachings from			ring for the world
	and the enviro	nment.	
	 	 	
			
	 		
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End of Unit Self Assessment

I can.....

	Confident!	Not	Don't know
		Sure?	
Define the keywords for the unit			
Describe why humans are here			
Evaluate how people use their talents			
Describe the teachings of two religious traditions on mankind			
Describe the work of an organization that helps care for the world			
Describe the religious and secular teachings on creation			
Evaluate the importance of science within religion			
Explain a range of religious attitudes to stewardship			
Describe religious explanations for the existence of talents			
Refer to religious teachings to explain religious attitudes and beliefs			

Use your assessment ladder to target areas that you need to focus on, in preparation for your end of unit assessment.

Complete the following grid, after your assessment has been marked.

My target grade is	I achieved	
Stars (What have I done well?)	Wishes (What are my targets to improve?)	Action (What should I do to achieve my target?)
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<u>Key Words Glossary -</u> Write the meaning of each word and include an image that would help you remember it.

Word	Meaning
Stewardship	
Soul	
Humanity	
Dominion	
Environment	

Creation	
Literal	
Non-literal	
Natural	
Resources	

VCOP in R.S.

V – Vocabulary These are the WOW words which in R.S. are your key terms for each topic.	Creation Dominion Environment Ex Nihilo Humanity Literal Natural Resources Soul Stewardship Talent Evolution Universe Khalifah Genesis Qu'ran Believer Religious Tradition Muslim Christian Atheist Theist	
C – Connectives These are the linking words that allow you to link, compare or contrast in your writing.	And But So Then If Because Before	
O – Openers These are the words or phrases that begin your sentences.	I The My First Then Next Last When Also Often Another thing Although Sometimes Besides Before Meanwhile I discovered Having I actually Due to I feel that In my opinion I believe Never An important point In conclusion	
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