

Parents' Guide to Preparing for Examinations in GCSE Religious Education



Students are studying Eduqas Route B in Religious Education. All students sit the same examination paper; there is no tiered entry. The RE department has prepared a range of resources and strategies to support students in preparing for their GCSE exams. The course is assessed across three exam papers (details below). The resources and advice outlined here can be used in preparation for both the mock exams and the summer examinations.

Students who actively engage with revision materials, work hard in class, and complete homework consistently achieve excellent results in RE.

Religious Education revision - For Year 11 formative tasks 1 and 2, students have been provided with a revision list and a one-page A3 revision sheet detailing the content required for these assessments. The A3 sheet provides an overview, while students are encouraged to refer to their exercise books for additional material, particularly those aiming for a grade 7 or above.

For the summative assessment and mock exams, students will receive a one-page A3 revision sheet alongside supplementary resources a revision folder containing content booklets, flashcards, key specification terms, and multiple-choice question booklets. Feedback from previous cohorts indicates that these resources are highly effective, and students who engage consistently with them achieve strong results in GCSE RE.

Additionally, the evening prior to both the mock exams and the GCSE examinations, students will receive a link to a revision video. These videos have been well-received by students for helping to structure their revision effectively. While viewing the videos is optional, they are recommended as a valuable tool for exam preparation.

Microsoft Teams – As part of the Year 11 revision site, the RE area on Microsoft Teams provides a wide range of resources to support students' exam preparation. The site is organised into separate sections for different assessments, including mock exams and GCSE examinations. Students are encouraged to explore these resources at any time, including in preparation for their GCSE exams.

Resources available on the RE Teams site include:

- Checklists to help students identify gaps in their knowledge
- Past papers and mark schemes for practising exam questions and self-assessment
- Previously asked exam questions to allow students to test their understanding against actual assessment material

Dates of GCSE Religious Education exams in Summer 2026:

Paper 1: Foundational Catholic Theology – 1h 30min – Tuesday 12th May 2026 (AM)

Paper 2: Applied Catholic Theology – 1h 30min – Wednesday 20th May 2026 (PM)

Paper 3: Judaism – 1 hour – Monday 1st June (PM)

RE weekly revision schedule

Miss McKeown – every Monday lunchtime in 0:05 Mr Harrison – every Wednesday lunchtime in MC5 Mrs Kingsley – every Thursday lunchtime in MC4 Ms Moran – every Friday lunchtime in 0:08

There is also afterschool intervention in MC5 every Thursday from 3:00 – 4:00pm.

If students require any additional support or guidance in GCSE Religious Education, they are encouraged to speak with their class teacher as a first point of contact. The department would like to wish all students the very best of luck in their mock and summer examinations, and we remain deeply appreciative of the continued support from parents and carers.