

Higher RMPS Support Strategies

Course Structure

The Higher RMPS course at Inverurie Academy consists of the following topics and skills:

World Religion: Christianity	Morality & belief: Morality & Justice	Religious & Philosophical Questions: Origins
Beliefs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • beliefs about God • nature of human beings: free will; sin; stewards • beliefs about Jesus • judgement; Heaven and Hell Practices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • living according to the Gospels • Christian action; the Christian community • worship: prayer; Eucharist 	Causes of crime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • environmental influences • psychological factors Purposes of punishment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reformation • retribution • protection • deterrence Responses to crime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • custodial sentences • non-custodial sentences • capital punishment 	Was the universe and life created? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does religion explain the origins of the universe and of life? • What evidence does religion use to support these explanations? • What are the strengths and weaknesses of evidence/explanations? • How does science explain the origins of the universe and of life? • What evidence does science use to support these explanations? • What are the strengths and weaknesses of evidence/explanations? • Can religious and scientific views on origins be compatible?
Higher skills		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge and Understanding (General information about key words in the question) • Analysis (more detail, why people accept/reject statements, consequences) • Evaluation (overall judgement of a question or viewpoint) 		

* Please note that the Assignment has been removed for session 2020-21 by the SQA.

Revision Websites

<https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/47911.html>

This is the official SQA Higher RMPS website. This is an extremely valuable website to use, as it contains all the course specifications, as well as past paper questions, specimen questions and answer schemes. Making use of the past paper questions and checking answers against the marking schemes is an excellent way to improve quality of answers at Higher.

It is also highly recommended to make use of 'Understanding Standards' link on this site, as it shows you pupil work and SQA marker commentary, which is extremely valuable.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z782fg8>

This BBC Bitesize website offers some video clips about your 3 topics in RMPS. The video clips use real life examples which will help with your analysis skills.

<https://learningrmmps.com/tag/higher/>

These notes were created by an RMPS pupil in a different school. They give advice for revision and essay writing.

Questions in Higher RMPS

In Higher RMPS there are either 10 mark essays or 20 mark essays.

10 mark is always Analysis.

20 mark includes Analysis and Evaluation.

Paper 1 – World Religion - Christianity – 10 mark and 20 mark

Morality & Belief – Morality & Justice – 10 mark & 20 mark

Paper 2 – Religious & Philosophical Questions – Origins – 20 mark

Revision/Supported Study Sessions

Once we can offer extra revision/supported study sessions in school, we will update this website (currently prohibited due to Covid-19 restrictions). Ordinarily, Mrs Gibson and Mr Shepherd run these sessions twice a week, one over lunchtime and one after school. The new venue for this will be S18.