

A LEVEL PHILOSOPHY & ETHICS

Areas of Study...

1. Philosophy

- Ancient philosophical influences.
- Arguments about the existence or non-existence of God.
- The nature and impact of religious experience.
- The challenge for religious believers of the problem of evil.
- The nature of the soul, mind and body.
- The possibility of life after death.
- Ideas about the nature of God.
- Issues in religious language.

2. Ethics

- Normative ethical theories.
- The application of ethical theories to two contemporary issues of importance.
- Ethical language and thought.

3. Developments in Religious Thought

- Religious beliefs, values and teachings.
- Their interconnections and how they vary historically and in the contemporary world.
- Sources of religious wisdom and authority.
- Practices which shape and express religious identity, and how these vary within a tradition.
- Significant social and historical developments in theology and religious thought.
- Key themes related to the relationship between religion and society.



What is
philosophy
and Ethics
all about?

Philosophy & Ethics asks the questions other
subjects don't dare!

Future Careers

Philosophy & Ethics specification, makes it ideally suited for students looking for a course that leaves open a large number of career and higher education options.

These include:

Politics, Law, Social Sciences, Police, Teaching, Medicine, Business, Environment, Armed Forces, Scientific research, Media, Journalism, Art, Community or Culture work.

Assessment

There is no coursework and this is a two year course.

Students will take three 2 hour exam papers; one for each of the areas of study at the end of their second year. Each paper is worth a third of the final result.



EXAMINATION BOARD: AQA