

# RS: Year 10 Course Outline



Half term	TOPIC	CONTENT
1	<b>Animal Rights</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• status of animals, difference from humans and their relative value</li> <li>• views on animal rights and the means of protecting those rights, preservation from extinction</li> <li>• contemporary use and abuse of animals, issues concerning slaughter of animals, meat, diets</li> </ul>
OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY		
2	<b>Planet Earth</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• origins of life, nature of Planet Earth, e.g. awe and wonder</li> <li>• care and responsibility for the planet – stewardship</li> <li>• work being done to look after the world – conservation, earth summits, international action</li> <li>• problems caused by pollution, effects of modern lifestyles</li> <li>• the effects of climate change, use and abuse of natural resources</li> </ul>
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS		
3	<b>Prejudice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• types of prejudice, causes and origins of prejudice</li> <li>• concepts of tolerance, justice, harmony and the value of the individual</li> <li>• religious attitudes to prejudice and discrimination</li> <li>• effects of prejudice and discrimination</li> <li>• religious responses to prejudice and discrimination by individuals, groups, society and the law</li> <li>• religious believers who have fought against prejudice</li> </ul>
FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY		
4	<b>Early Life</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the concept of the sanctity of life, children being seen as a blessing and gift when life begins</li> <li>• reasons used by religious believers for and against abortion</li> <li>• the Law and abortion</li> <li>• Pro-Life and Pro-Choice arguments and pressure groups</li> </ul>
EASTER HOLIDAYS		
5	<b>War and Peace</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• concepts of peace and justice, causes of war</li> <li>• conflict, including examples of recent wars</li> <li>• 'Just War' and 'Holy War'</li> <li>• religious believers and pacifism, organisations which help victims of war</li> <li>• the work of a religious believer who has worked for peace; peacekeeping forces</li> <li>• issues such as terrorism, weapons of mass destruction and nuclear proliferation</li> </ul>
MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY		
6	<b>Revision</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revision and tests</li> </ul>