

Year 10 GCSE RPE

Although there is currently no GCSE RPE class the course that is currently offered is OCR's Religious Studies B: Philosophy and Applied Ethics (J621)

Reading

Reading widely will help students develop their understanding of different ideas, beliefs and points of view. While reading books about religion and philosophy are very useful students may also find that books about Science, Maths and History will also help broaden their outlook. Similarly, fiction and poetry introduce students to situations that are outside their direct experience while science-fiction and fantasy can help students examine the moral and philosophical implications of different beliefs and practices. All of these experiences and ideas can be used in the RPE classroom.

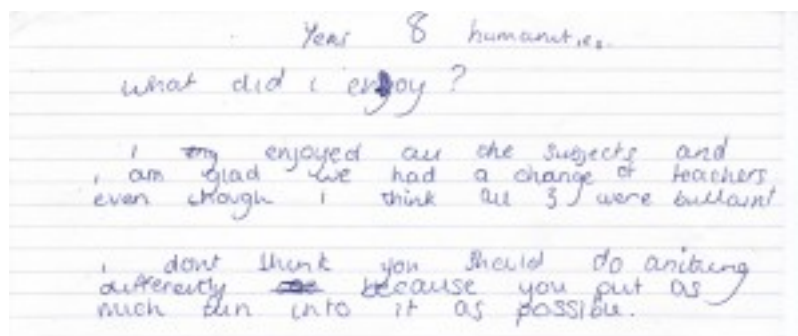
Films

In class, we will use the film *The Miracle Maker* (2000) in Year 7 to help teach students about the life of Jesus of Nazareth. It is an attractive animated film that is largely based around the Gospel of Luke. *The Prince of Egypt* (1998) is another good animated film from the same production team and it tells the story of Moses and the Israelite's escape from Egypt.

In Year 8, we draw heavily on Rageh Omaar's *Life of Muhammad* (2011), a documentary which provides a very good history of Muhammad and explores some contemporary issues to do with Islam. (It is probably worth watching this with your child as some, because it is aimed at adults, some of the language may be a bit difficult for some students.)

Student Feedback

At the end of last year, a group of Year 8 students were asked to feedback on their experiences of History, Geography and PRE. Their responses were anonymous to allow them to be honest. Below is a fairly representative sample of their feedback.



How well have you done? How do you know?

I think I have done quite well in Humanities particularly because I have enjoyed it. For example I loved learning about the life of Muhammad. I think I know this because when writing my essays and doing class work I have worked well and understood what I have been doing.

We always get our essays and assessment work back with constructive comments and marks, I'm always pleased with my feedback and I think that I've learnt a lot this year.