Year 10 Unit 2 Themes and Issues RE Overview- Religion and Life

You will learn about:

- Origins of human life Christian and Scientific views for creation
- Sanctity of life Abortion and euthanasia
- Environmental issues Animals and stewardship and dominion

You will be able to:

- Describe key facts about Issues of life
- Describe similarities and differences between two religions
- Explain different points of view on religious, philosophical and moral issues
- Support different ideas with relevant evidence and information



Lesson Overview

Lesson 1 - Sanctity of Life

Lesson 2 - Abortion

Lesson 3 - Euthanasia

Lesson 4 - Environmental Issues

Lesson 5 - Use of Animals

Lesson 6 – Scientific and Religious views on creation

Lesson 7 – Religion and Life Assessment

Key Words

<u>Abortion</u> – deliberate expulsion of a foetus from the womb with the intentions

Afterlife – beliefs about what happens when we die

<u>Animal Rights</u> – the idea that animals should have rights because of respect

<u>Awe</u> – On overwhelming feeling often reverence with a link to God

<u>Big Bang Theory</u> – the scientific view of the beginning of the universe

<u>Charles Darwin</u> – the man who put forward the theory of evolution in the 19th Century

 $\underline{\textbf{Conception}} - \underline{\textbf{when the sperm fertilises the female egg so allowing pregnancy}}$

<u>Conservation</u> — to repair and protect animals and areas of natural beauty <u>Creation</u> — the idea that God created the world/universe from nothing <u>Dominion</u> — idea that humans have the right to control creation <u>Environment</u> — the world around

<u>Euthanasia</u> Mercy killing/assisted suicide; ending the life for someone who is terminally ill.

Evolution – change in inherited traits in a species

<u>Hospice</u> – a place that cares for the dying usually from an incurable illness

<u>Natural resources</u> – the resources the earth provides without the aid of mankind

Natural selection - one of the basic mechanisms of evolution

 $\underline{\textbf{Pro-choice}} = pressure groups which campaigns for the right of the woman to decide on abortion$

<u>Pro-life –</u> pressure groups which campaigns against abortion/euthanasia <u>Quality of life –</u> how good/comfortable life is

<u>Right to die –</u> the belief that a human should be able to control their own death

 $\underline{\textbf{Sanctity of life}} - \textbf{life is special; life is created by God}$

 $\underline{\textbf{Science}} - \textbf{knowledge coming from observed regularity in nature and experimentation}$

 $\underline{\textbf{Stewardship}}\,\, \underline{\mbox{-}} \text{duty to look after the world and life}$

 $\underline{\textbf{Sustainable energy}}$ – resources that are renewable. E.g. solar, wind and nuclear power

Suggested reading or support available

AQA GCSE (9-1) Religious Studies Specification A by Lesley Parry and Jan Hayes, Hodder

GCSE Religious Studies for AQA A:

Christianity by Marrianne Fleming and Peter Smith, OUP

Cross curricular

SMSC – Morals within Christianity are explored. Christianity within Britain and the wider world. Spiritual beliefs within Christianity.

<u>Literacy</u> – Extended writing throughout the course. Reading opportunities and SPaG marks available in the evaluation questions.

<u>ICT</u> - Pupils can use iPads to access resources from the VLE and research different areas of the course.

<u>Numeracy</u> – Exploring data of animals used in Scientific research, abortion rates and euthansia