Autumn One – Religion & Worldviews

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Торіс	No of lessons	Key knowledge and skills	Resources	Progression and links	Pillar (KS3 only)	SEND/ More able	Assessment & recording; factual recall checks
What is religion?	1	 Definitions of Religion Role of religion (to bind). Abrahamic Faiths. Dharmic Traditions. Other faiths and beliefs 	 PPT Video 	Promoting multiculturalism (British Values), diversity.	Oracy – discussion question as plenary. Problem solving – identifying different religions and matching with beliefs.	Range of challenge questions (eg: How might living in England influence our ideas about religion?)	Each lesson begins with retrieval practice – from last term, last month, last week etc. Homework is recall practice with knowledge Organisers.
What makes a religion?	1	 Ninian Smart's Seven Dimensions 	 PPT Carousel Information Sheets Worksheet 		Reading – carousel information sheets. Problem solving – applying content to examples/case studies.	Range of challenge questions. Differentiated worksheet for LA/MA – fill in the word gap, HA full sentences.	Retrieval Practice Starter. KO Retrieval HW.
What is the purpose of religion?	1	 Philosophy of Durkeim, Marx and Freud 	 PPT Worksheet 		Problem Solving – Analysing each philosopher (critical thinking)	Range of challenge questions. Differentiated worksheet for LA/MA.	Retrieval Practice Starter. KO Retrieval HW.
What are worldviews?	1	 Lenses – Philosophy, Theology, Social Science, Personal & Organised Worldviews 	 PPT Lenses Sheet Video 		Creative – creating their own lenses representing their unique worldviews.	Range of challenge questions.	Retrieval Practice Starter. KO Retrieval HW.

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Is veganism a religion or worldview?	1	 What is veganism, Arguments for and against veganism, Applying NS 7 Dimensions Applying to personal or organised 	 PPT Marty Goes Vegan Sheet 	Problem solving – deciding if Marty will go vegan and if veganism can be classed as a religion or worldview?	Range of challenge questions. Scaffolding lesson in preparation for assessment.	Retrieval Practice Starter. KO Retrieval HW.
Assessment on Veganism	1	 According to Ninian Smart's Dimensions, is veganism a religion? Use examples. What do you think is the purpose of veganism? Does it fit with the purposes of religion that we have studied? How could veganism be considered a worldview? How could believing in veganism influence the way someone acts? Is veganism a religion, a worldview or neither? Come to a conclusion and explain your view. 	 PPT Assessment Criteria 	Writing – assessment on veganism, Ninian Smart and worldviews.	Sentence starters as a scaffold.	Retrieval Practice Starter. KO Retrieval HW.
What is the state of religion today?		 Religion at Abbey; Religion in the UK; Religion in the World 	PPT Statistic Sheet	Mathematics – interpreting statistics/identifying trends etc	Range of challenge questions.	Retrieval Practice Starter. KO Retrieval HW.

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