



BURY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Religious
Studies

SUPER CURRICULUM

Years 7 to 8



Reading



- The Boy Who Sailed the Ocean in an Armchair – Lara Williamson
- The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – C.S. Lewis
- The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q. Raúf
- Sophie's World – Jostein Gaarder

Watching



- Why do people believe in God? – TED-Ed
<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/why-do-people-believe-in-god>
- Religious Studies: Is life sacred? – BBC Bitesize
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>
- What is Humanism? – BBC Teach <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach>
- Bruce Almighty

Listening



- Short & Curly (ABC Listen) – Episodes on right and wrong
- The Rest Is History – Religion and Power
- Philosophy for Our Times
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VDiyQub6vpw>

Doing



- Keep a Big Questions Journal
- Visit a Place of Worship (in person or virtually)
- Take Part in a Charity or Volunteering Event
- Join Debate or Philosophy Club



SUPER CURRICULUM GCSE (Years 9 to 11)



Reading



- The Case for God – Karen Armstrong
- The Boy at the Back of the Class – Onjali Q. Raúf
- Animal Farm – George Orwell
- Does Religion Do More Harm Than Good? – Stephen Law

Watching



- Is religion still relevant today? – BBC Bitesize
- Euthanasia explained – TED-Ed <https://ed.ted.com>
- Does God exist? – CrashCourse Philosophy
<https://www.youtube.com>
- Religious Responses to War – BBC Teach
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach>

Listening



- Short & Curly – Ethics and Moral Dilemmas
- BBC Radio 4: Moral Maze (selected clips)
- Beyond Belief (selected episodes)
- Thinking Allowed – Religion in Society

Doing



- Create an Ethics Case Study
- Visit (or research) a Place of Worship
- Keep a Big Questions Journal



SUPER CURRICULUM

A Level (Sixth Form)



Reading



- Sophie's World: Jostein Garder
- Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind: Y.N. Harari
- The God Delusion: R Dawkins
- The Dawkins Delusion: Alister McGrath
- The Divine Comedy: Dante
- The Pig That Wants To Be Eaten: And 99 Other Thought Experiments: Julian Baggini
- Screwtape Letters: Letters from a Senior to a Junior Devil: C.S. Lewis
- The Problem of Evil – Alvin Plantinga (selected extracts)
- God Is Not Great – Christopher Hitchens (selected chapters)

Watching



- Philosophy of Religion – Wireless Philosophy
- <https://www.youtube.com>
- Assisted Dying: The Ethical Debate – Intelligence Squared
- <https://www.intelligencesquared.com>
- Unbelievable, the big conversation
- <https://www.thebigconversation.show>
- <https://www.youtube.com/user/WirelessPhilosophy/featured>

Listening



- In Our Time – Religion and Philosophy (BBC Radio 4)
- Philosophy Bites
- <https://www.ted.com/talks?q=philosophy&sort=relevance>
- <https://philosophytalk.org>

Doing



- Keep a Philosophical Reading Journal
- Attend a Public Lecture or Online University Talk
- Write a Mini-Dissertation (1,000 words)
- Run or Join a Philosophy and Ethics club. Help prepare for the Philosothon.