

WvB (World views and beliefs) and RS (religious studies) Homework Policy:

In years 7 and 8, students will be set the 2 tasks below in each topic (usually every term).

In KS4 (years 9-10), the 2 tasks below will be set from each of the units of study for the GCSE. Yr 11 students are given a HW booklet that contains practice exam questions and will be set these by their teacher throughout the year.

All homework tasks will be recorded on SIMS and completed in HW booklets. Copies of the booklets will be posted to Google classrooms at the start of the year to enable students who might misplace or lose their copy to still access the HW tasks.

Homework tasks (challenges)	Feedback
Task 1 will be to learn keywords and their meanings given for the topic being taught that term. Strategies to help with this learning will be given in lessons, and in the HW booklet, but will include writing definitions in their own words; using flash cards and look, cover, write and check etc. A block of several weeks will be given for this task.	This will be tested with low stakes quizzing in lessons. Students achieving less than 7/10 will be advised to revisit their learning of the key terms before attempting HW task 2.
Task 2 will be in two sections: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A multi choice quiz based on the topic keywords learnt in task 1.• An extended writing task requiring application of one or more of the keywords learnt in task 1. This task will have been set in a lesson and instructions given. Modelling will be used in lessons to support students with the extended writing questions, and scaffolding will be provided for students who need it. Further instructions are available in the HW booklet before the task.	Both sections of HW2 will be due on the same date. The quiz will be peer marked in the lesson and the extended writing task will be collected in and a sample will be marked by the teacher. Whole class feedback will be given based on the sample that was marked.

What happens if homework is not completed on time and to the expected standard?

HW task 1 is monitored via low stakes testing. If it appears a student has not learnt the required keywords, they will be encouraged by their teacher to do so, before the second task has to be completed.

HW task 2 – if the quiz and application questions are not completed on time, or are done in a way that suggests the student has not made an effort with their learning, they will have another chance to complete the task at home, before a sanction is issued. Failure to do so will result in a detention with their teacher, and a negative event for HW being recorded on SIMS. The aim of the detention is to ensure the HW is completed so the missing HW will be completed in the detention, with support from the teacher if necessary. If a student does not attend their teacher's detention, they will be issued a twenty minute detention with the Head of RS and will complete the HW there. If they do not attend this final chance in the RS department, they will be placed in after school detention.