

Religious Studies

The resources below are perfect for helping you prepare ahead of starting your A Level course in Religious Studies this September. From YouTube videos and documentaries to blogs, articles and novels, there are loads of ways to get started.

We've even included an AS Level taster session, so you can get a feel for what to expect.

Taster session

- [AS Religious Studies taster session](#)

Ted Talks

- [Tom Honey: Why Would God Create A Tsunami? \(ted.com\)](#)
- [Bobby Ghosh: Why Global Jihad Is Losing \(ted.com\)](#)

Documentaries

- [BBC: The Life of Prophet Muhammad \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Dr Chris Hewer: Understanding Islam \(youtube.com\)](#)

YouTube videos

Philosophy & Ethics

- [The Free Will Defence: A Good God vs The Problem of Evil \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Proving God Exists \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Is There Meaning to Life? \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [The Fine-Tuning of the Universe \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Do Christians and Muslims Worship the Same God? \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Aquinas & the Cosmological Arguments \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Intelligent Design \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [The Problem of Evil \(youtube.com\)](#)

Islam

- [Islam, the Quran, and the Five Pillars All Without a Flamewar: Crash Course World History \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [10 Differences Between Shia and Sunni Muslims \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Al Jazeera: The Shia-Sunni Divide - Inside Story \(youtube.com\)](#)
- [Life of Muhammad and Beginnings of Islam - Part 1 \(youtube.com\)](#)

Films and novels

- [Muhammad: Legacy of a Prophet \(film\)](#) - available on YouTube
- The Brothers Karamazov (novel): passionate philosophical novel set in 19th-century Russia, that enters deeply into the ethical debates of God, free will, and morality by Fyodor Dostoevsky

Blogs and articles

- [Coronavirus and the Problem of Evil \(biologos.com\)](#)

- [Euthanasia debate woman found dead at home \(telegraph.co.uk\)](http://www.telegraph.co.uk)

Reading materials on Islam

Note: these resources are available to current students only.

These online books are available under the first entry on Moodle, 'Resources on Islam':

- [The Handy Islam Answer Book](#)
- [What Everyone Needs to Know About Islam](#)
- [What Catholics Need to Know About Islam](#)