



Religion, Philosophy and Ethics Grade Descriptors

Skill	Developing	Proficient	Confident	Mastery
Knowledge & Recall	Recalls simple facts about religious beliefs, symbols, and practices with support.	Recalls and describes key beliefs and practices with some detail.	Explains beliefs and practices using accurate RS vocabulary and makes basic connections.	Demonstrates secure knowledge across religions, comparing and analysing key beliefs with precision.
Understanding	Shows basic understanding of religious and ethical concepts using simple examples.	Explains religious, ethical, and philosophical concepts and links them to real-life situations.	Applies understanding to explain how beliefs and practices influence moral decision-making and worldviews.	Evaluates the significance of religious, ethical, and philosophical concepts, offering nuanced explanations of their impact on the individual and society.
Analysis	Identifies simple features of religious, ethical, or philosophical ideas.	Describes reasons behind actions, beliefs, and ethical positions.	Offers reasons for different viewpoints, exploring implications within ethical and philosophical debates.	Critically analyses religious, ethical, and philosophical arguments, identifying strengths, weaknesses, assumptions, and consequences.
Evaluation	Gives a basic personal response with minimal justification.	Presents a viewpoint with at least one supporting reason.	Supports arguments with evidence from religious teachings, ethical principles, or philosophical thought.	Weighs multiple perspectives, synthesising religious, ethical, and philosophical evidence to reach well-balanced, well justified judgements.