

# Fulwood Academy- KS3 Grade Descriptors- Religious Studies

Level	Description
1	Demonstrates a basic knowledge of religious beliefs. Communicates using everyday language. Shows awareness of the meaning and importance of religious practices. Presents simple reasons to support an opinion. Demonstrates basic understanding of different points of view.
2	Shows reasonable knowledge of religious beliefs in simple descriptions. Uses some specialist vocabulary. Identifies why beliefs and practices are important and suggests how believers might respond to issues. Provides some reasons to support opinions and demonstrates an understanding of different viewpoints.
3	Demonstrates sound knowledge of religious beliefs. Uses some specialist vocabulary accurately. Describes the impact of beliefs on believers' lives. Selects relevant evidence to support points and references different perspectives when making judgements.
4	Shows secure knowledge and understanding of religious beliefs. Uses a range of specialist vocabulary appropriately. Explains how beliefs affect the lives of believers, using evidence and examples to support arguments. Evaluates different views and philosophical questions.
5	Demonstrates detailed knowledge and understanding of religious beliefs. Uses a wide range of specialist vocabulary. Explains the meaning and importance of beliefs, assessing their impact on believers' lives. Produces reasoned arguments supported by evidence. Evaluates different views to form a personal judgement.
6	Demonstrates a detailed and thorough understanding of religious beliefs and philosophical views. Uses a wide range of specialist vocabulary accurately. Explains and interprets beliefs and practices, comparing them with others and assessing their impact. Produces well-reasoned arguments supported by extensive evidence, showing informed insight into different viewpoints and reaching justified conclusions.