

Year 8 THRESHOLD CRITERIA

RELIGION, PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS

	AO1 Learning about	AO2 Learning from
	Describe, explain and analyse religious beliefs and practices using knowledge and understanding	Use evidence and reasoned argument to express and evaluate personal responses, insights and different religious viewpoints.
EXCELLENT	Craft a detailed and coherent analysis that shows insight into religious beliefs, ideas, practices and explanations. Can comprehensively explain how different teachings influence the life of a Christian and Hindu. Uses religious terms and language and terms extensively and accurately.	Offer expanded justifications of a range of religious and non-religious viewpoints and the moral aspects at issue. Shows a good understanding of how belief influences individuals, communities and/or societies.
PROFICIENT	Craft a detailed account that shows awareness and insight into religious beliefs, ideas, practices and explanations. Can suggest how different teachings influence the life of a Christian or Hindu. Uses religious terms and language and terms extensively.	Offer expanded justifications of at least two religious viewpoints, using relevant religious teachings in support. Reflect on personal insights of the issue and consider the implications of the issue for other individuals.
DEVELOPING	Craft an account that shows awareness of religious beliefs, ideas, practices and explanations. Suggest the beliefs behind the actions of some religious believers Use a range of religious terminology in an appropriate context.	Infer one expanded religious outlook by using beliefs to justify an opinion of a religious individual. Provide an alternative religious viewpoint which may not be fully expanded. Reflect on personal insights of the issue.
ACQUIRING	Describe many beliefs, ideas and practices. Describe the actions of religious believers Use some religious language with few errors or inconsistencies.	Give an expanded justification of a personal viewpoint of an issue. Provide two simple religious viewpoints that might be alternative OR use different reasons to back up religious views that are the same.