

# Top 10 Tips for A/A\* in RS GCSE

Use your electronic revision workbooks and guides on doddle! These will be posted at the start of year and can be sent to you by request - Ask Mr. Bora

Develop your keyword booklet and make sure you know the keywords for ; Christian beliefs, Christian practices, Buddhist beliefs, Buddhist practices, Peace and Conflict, Crime and Punishment, Human life and religion, Human Right and Social Justice

You will sit two papers -

Paper One - Buddhist Beliefs & Practices , Christian Beliefs and Practices

Paper Two - Thematic Studies (Out of the seven themes you only answer the following four ;

Theme B: Religion and life.

Theme D: Religion, peace and conflict.

Theme E: Religion, crime and punishment.

Theme F: Religion, human rights and social justice.

**REMEMBER TO BDEF !!**

In your exam  
spend around 23  
mins per section

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You should spend 24 minutes MAX on each section so practice your timing and do not forget that the 12 mark questions make up 50% of your marks!!

You can practice questions from doddle or the AQA website

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/religious-studies/gcse/religious-studies-a-8062/assessment-resources>

Organise and memorise beliefs and teachings that you can apply to each sub topic!!

**ALSO BE SURE TO ATTEND ALL REVISION SESSIONS**

Your twelve mark answers must have justified conclusions throughout so constantly link your arguments (Agreeing Peel and Disagreeing Peel to the statement)

Look at why your arguments could be right and wrong!

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Make sure your arguments are well explained and you are balanced. Argue both sides with reference to religious beliefs

Make sure you identify what the question is asking of you whether it be 'contrasting' or 'similar' views or

Buddhist and Christian practices are traditionally the harder parts of the exam so make sure you memorise keywords and try practice questions

Follow the structures

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4 m - P.E.P.E

5m - P.E.P.E.R

12m -

M-A-D-C-N

# MADCN Structure form

<b>.</b>	<p>What is your opinion on the statement? Explain in full (two sentences minimum)</p> <p>M – My Opinion</p>	
<b>A</b>	<p>AGREEING PEPEL</p> <p>Write a <b><u>P.E.P.E.L</u></b> on why some people might agree with the statement</p> <p>Point – Who might agree with the statement and why</p> <p>E – Give a belief or teaching and link it</p> <p>P</p> <p>E</p> <p>L – Link your points back to the statement – Give your opinion briefly</p>	
<b>D</b>	<p>DISAGREE PEPEL</p> <p>Write a <b><u>P.E.P.E.L</u></b> on why some people might disagree with the statement</p> <p>Point – Who might disagree with the statement and why</p> <p>E – Give a belief or teaching and link it</p> <p>P</p> <p>E</p> <p>L – Link your points back to the statement – Give your opinion briefly</p>	
<b>C</b>	<p>Conclusion – Return to your opinion – repeat why you think your view is correct when looking at the statement?</p> <p>Can you make reference to any part of your essay to support your conclusion?</p>	
<b>N</b>	<p>New religious point –</p> <p>Firstly can you think of a religious point to support your conclusion</p> <p>If not find one to disagree with your conclusion and explain what you think of this point</p>	

Your answer should be a page and a half long

You should focus on explaining your points and linking back to the statement