# Year 7 Religious Studies

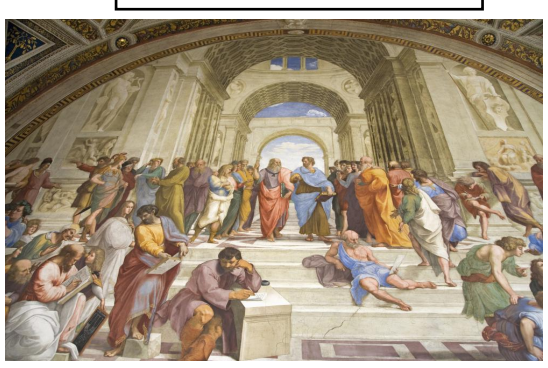
## RE Skills

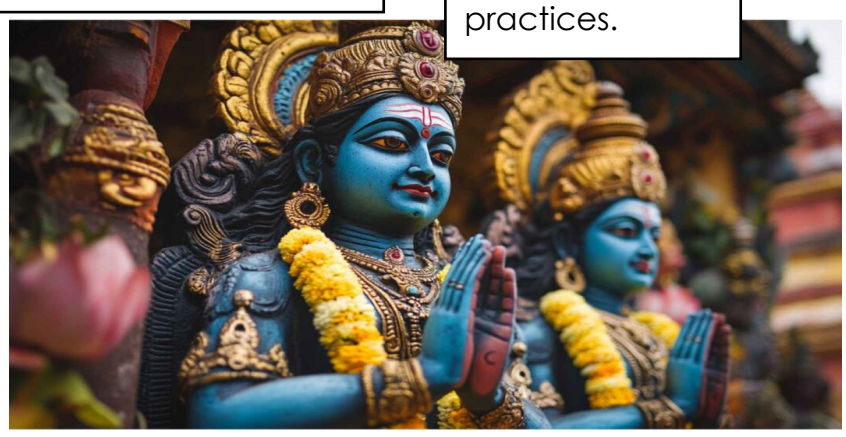
**Knowledge and Understanding:**
Recall and describe religious and non-religious beliefs, practices, stories, symbols, and key concepts.

**Interpretation:**
Explain the meaning of beliefs, teachings, stories, and rituals and how they influence people's lives.

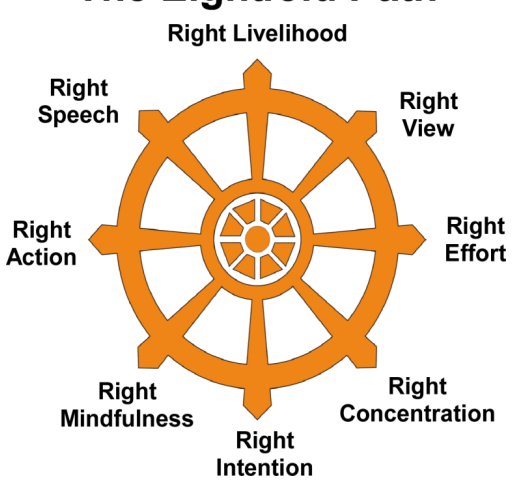
**Comparison:**
Identify similarities and differences between worldviews, beliefs, and practices.

**Personal Reflection:**
Express and justify personal responses to questions about meaning, purpose, identity, and morality.





**The Eightfold Path**

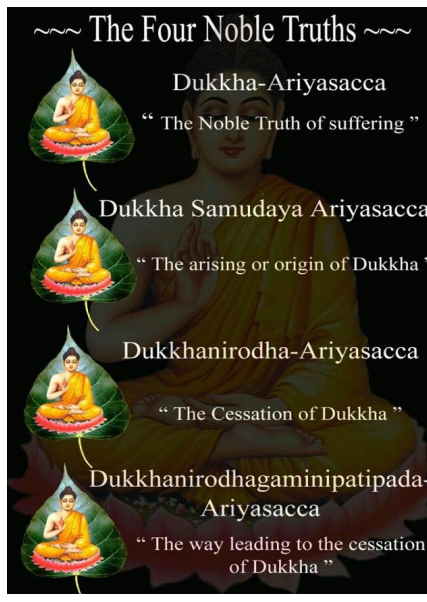



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### Summer Term

**Buddhism**

- Describe key Buddhist beliefs, including the life of the Buddha, the Four Noble Truths, and the Eightfold Path.
- Explain how Buddhist teachings about suffering, mindfulness, and enlightenment influence attitudes towards life and wellbeing.
- Evaluate and communicate Buddhist responses to questions about happiness, identity, and the afterlife using evidence and reasoned argument.





### Spring Term

**Hinduism**

- Describe key Hindu beliefs, including the Trimurti, dharma, and the significance of sacred stories and festivals.
- Explain how Hindu teachings, rituals, and traditions shape the lives and identities of believers.
- Evaluate and communicate the significance of Hindu beliefs and practices through comparison, interpretation, and creative expression.




### Autumn Term

**The Island:**

- Describe and compare how Humanist and religious worldviews explain human origins, purpose, and identity.
- Explain how Humanists find meaning and comfort through relationships, places, ceremonies, and shared values.
- Evaluate how Humanist ethics and principles influence personal choices, community life, and wider society.



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## KS3 learning summary

**In Year 7 Religious Education, students explore how different religious and non-religious worldviews help people understand themselves, their communities, and the world around them. Through the study of Humanism, students consider questions about origins, meaning, morality, and how people celebrate important life events without religious belief. They then investigate Hinduism, exploring beliefs about God, the Trimurti, sacred stories such as the Mahabharata, and the significance of festivals in shaping identity and community. Finally, students examine Buddhism, learning about the life of the Buddha, the causes of suffering, and Buddhist approaches to wellbeing, mindfulness, and the search for enlightenment. Across the year, students develop their understanding of diverse beliefs and practices, learn to compare different perspectives, and build the skills to ask thoughtful questions about meaning, purpose, and human experience.**