

Revision Checklist: Buddhism

Good and Evil

- ✓ Concepts of good and evil:
 - Skilful and unskilful actions
 - The role of Mara Buddhist beliefs about the causes of evil
- ✓ Concepts of natural and moral evil
 - Approaches to why there is evil and suffering in the world
 - Responses to the problem
 - Kamma and rebirth Coping with suffering
- ✓ Understanding ways of coping with suffering through: - Kamma - Meditation - Detachment - The three refuges Sources and reasons for moral behaviour
- ✓ The scriptures • The three refuges • The example of Buddha • The eightfold path

Religion and science

- ✓ Origins of the world and life
 - Scientific theories about the origins of the world and humanity
 - Why Buddhists may not accept scientific theories
- ✓ The relationship between scientific and religious understandings of the origins of the world and humanity
 - The cyclical nature of the universe
 - The refusal to answer questions on causation
 - The cycle of dependent origination
- ✓ People and animals
 - The place of humanity in relation to animals
 - Attitudes to animals and their treatment
- ✓ Environmental issues
 - Responses to environmental issues
 - Religious teachings relating to environmental

Belief about deity Nature of gods

- ✓ Beliefs about the nature of the gods
 - Reasons for views on the limited status of the gods
- ✓ Belief in gods
 - Reasons given in support of belief
- ✓ Miracles
 - Concept of miracles, including different beliefs within the religion
 - Gods, Buddhas and bodhisattvas intervening in the world and their relative importance

Religious and spiritual experience

- ✓ Public and private worship
 - Concept of worship
 - Worship in a vihara and at home
 - The use and significance of symbolism in worship
- ✓ Meditation
 - Concept of meditation
 - Its purpose and use to deepen faith
- ✓ Food and fasting
 - Concept of fasting
 - Use of food and fasting as a spiritual discipline
 - Food for festivals

Revision Checklist: Christianity

Religion and human relationships

- ✓ Roles of men and women in the family
 - Roles of men and women in a Christian family
 - Roles of men and women in the Church family
- ✓ Marriage and marriage ceremonies
 - Marriage ceremonies
 - The ways in which the ceremonies reflect and emphasise Christian teaching about marriage
 - Responses to civil partnerships
- ✓ Divorce
 - Beliefs about the ethics of divorce
 - Beliefs about the ethics of re-marriage
- ✓ Sexual relationships and contraception
 - Beliefs about sexual relationships
 - Beliefs about contraception

Religion and medical ethics

- ✓ Attitudes to abortion
 - Different attitudes towards abortion
 - Reasons for different attitudes
- ✓ Attitudes to fertility treatment
 - Responses to issues raised by fertility treatment and cloning
- ✓ Attitudes to euthanasia and suicide
 - Different attitudes towards euthanasia
 - Different attitudes towards suicide
 - Reasons for different attitudes
- ✓ Using animals in medical research
 - Beliefs about the use of animals in medical research

Religion, peace and justice

- ✓ Attitudes to war
 - Attitudes towards war
 - The Just War theory
- ✓ Violence and pacifism
 - Attitudes towards the use of violence
 - Attitudes towards pacifism
 - Reasons for these attitudes
- ✓ Crime and punishment
 - Concept of justice
 - Aims of punishment
 - Attitudes towards capital punishment
 - Beliefs about the treatment of criminals
 - Responses to the treatment of criminals
- ✓ Social injustice
 - Concept of social justice and injustice
 - Beliefs about social injustice
 - Responses to social injustice

Religion and the media

- ✓ Relationship with the media
 - The different forms of media
 - The influence of the media
- ✓ Portrayal of Christianity in the media
 - Portrayal of important religious figures
 - Responses and attitudes towards films which focus on religious/philosophical messages
 - Responses and attitudes towards books and comics which focus on religious/ philosophical messages
- ✓ Use of the media
 - Using the media to represent Christianity
 - To educate both Christians and nonChristians
- ✓ Censorship/freedom of speech
 - Concept of censorship and freedom of speech
 - Beliefs and attitudes towards the portrayal of violence and sex
 - Attitudes and responses to issues raised by freedom of speech