

Religious Education knowledge organiser – Year 10 – Religion and Life – Cycle 3

1.1 Origin of the universe and life on earth

Genesis	God created the universe and all of its resources out of nothing. Before then, only God who is eternal existed.
Big Bang	Scientific explanation of the creation of the universe. The Big bag created the universe from a singularity which exploded 13.8 billion years ago.
Evolution	Scientific explanation of how life evolved from simple single-celled creatures into all the species we have today.
Awe and Wonder	Sense of wonderment at nature; often linked to the feeling that God is involved/revealed through it.

1.2. The value of the world

Stewardship	Humans have responsibility to look after the world for future generations.
Dominion	God gave humans 'dominion' over creation to use and protect it.
Khalifah	The Muslim belief that Humans are stewards of the earth and should protect it for future generations.

1.3 Use and abuse of the environment

Natural resources	Resources which are found in nature – fossil fuels (e.g., coal, oil, natural gas, plants etc.)
Responsibility	Having duty or obligation to act in a certain way.

1.4 Use and abuse of animals

Animal experimentation	The use of animals for medical research and product testing.
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1.5 Value of Human Life

The sanctity of life	Life is sacred and belongs to God
God created life in his own image	Only God can give life and take it away

1.6 Abortion

Abortion	The deliberate ending of a pregnancy
Pro-life	Disagree with abortion – all life is sacred and should be protected
Pro-choice	Accept abortion – the women should have the right to choose

1.6 Euthanasia

Euthanasia	Assisting with the ending of life for a person who is terminally ill or has degenerative illness; often known as assisted suicide.
Quality of life	The standard of health, comfort and happiness/fulfilment experienced by a person or group.
Active Euthanasia	Actively giving someone medication to end their life – against the law in the UK
Passive euthanasia	Doctors turning off a life support machine. This is legal in the UK.

1.6 Death and the afterlife

Resurrection	Returning to life after death
Judgement	God judges people based on their actions in their life