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| **What will we be learning?**Year 2OCR A LEVEL (H573/02/03)Religion and Ethics

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 | **Why this? Why now?**This is the second year of a two-year A Level course. The course has three components – * Ethical Language: Meta-ethics
* Conscience
* Sexual Ethics- premarital and extramarital sex, homosexuality
 | **Key Words:**Meta-ethicsNaturalismIntuitionismEmotivismTheologicalRatioSynderesisConscientiaVincible ignoranceInvincible ignorancePsychosexual developmentLibidoIdEgoSuper-egoGenetic predispositionUnconscious mindPremarital and extramarital sexHomosexuality |
| **What will we learn?**Within *Ethical Language: Meta-ethics,* students will explore how ethical language has changed over time and been interpreted by different individuals. To develop students’ awareness of the importance of significant concepts within the study of ethics, they will be required to examine the significant ethical concept of conscience, through a comparison of the works of two key thinkers; Aquinas and Freud. Finally, in *Developments in Ethical Thought,* learners will examine areas of sexual ethics, a highly relevant and interesting area of study. Learners will explorehow attitudes to pre and extra marital sex and homosexuality have influenced and been influenced by developments in religious beliefs, and how the four normative theories they previously studied can be applied to these areas.In Year 2 the topic focus will be:* Ethical Language: Meta-ethics
* Conscience
* Sexual Ethics- premarital and extramarital sex, homosexuality
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| **What opportunities are there for wider study?**We have the opportunity to study Ethics through film, podcasts, journals and documentaries, as well as academic articles and texts. There is also an opportunity to attend Sixth Form Philosophy Conferences. |
| **How will I be assessed?**Regular topic assessments will take place throughout the course and will be assessed in line with the exam board marking criteria. An Ethics question will feature in the year 13 mock examination. |