

# Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies

## Newsletter Autumn 2024

### Introduction

Welcome to a new term, a new newsletter and a new Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies Subject Officer! We hope you had an enjoyable break and are looking forward to the year ahead. After 9 years as the Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies Subject Officer, Lynda Maddock is retiring. We would like to thank Lynda for her years of dedication, throughout which she has always kept learners and teachers at the heart of her work. We wish her the best in her retirement; we hear that she has plans to do volunteer work and complete her Phd so we are sure she won't get bored! Good luck for the future, Lynda.

Stepping into this role is Victoria Murphy. Victoria has a degree in Philosophy and has taught Religious Studies since 2010. She has held various leadership roles in secondary schools, from Head of RS to Deputy Head for Curriculum, and for the past year has worked for WJEC as the RS Subject Advisor. She has examined with Eduqas since 2016 and has experience as a principal examiner at AS level, so whilst she may be new to this specific role, she is no stranger to the world of Religious Studies and assessment. Victoria is excited to work with RS teachers and examiners, ensuring that the Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies course continues to inspire thoughtful, reflective learning and candidates achieve fair results for their hard work.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to Victoria if you have any questions or need support:

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### Professional Learning

At Eduqas we are proud to offer a range of professional learning events, beginning with the feedback on summer assessments online events that are free to attend! Upcoming events are listed below; click on the links to book now!

**[Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies: Feedback on summer assessments: Route A FREE](#)**

[Online - 12/11/2024 16:00](#)

**[Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies: Feedback on summer assessments: Route B FREE](#)**

[Online - 13/11/2024 16:00](#)

**[Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies \(Route A\): Finding the 'deep and meaningful' in Eduqas GCSE RS Route A](#)**

[London - 14/01/2025 09:30](#)

**[Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies \(Route B\): Developing critical analysis through theological and ethical thinking](#)**

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## [Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies \(Route A\): Finding the 'deep and meaningful' in Eduqas GCSE RS Route A](#)

[Manchester - 15/01/2025 09:30](#)

## [Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies \(Route B\): Developing critical analysis through theological and ethical thinking](#)

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Also on the Eduqas website you will find all previous professional learning materials, so if you or your department need a refresher or you are new to Eduqas, have a look at a wealth of training resources here: [GCSE Religious Studies | Eduqas](#)

### Examiners' Reports

During the 'Feedback on the summer assessments' online event, presenters will take you through the final examiners' reports and some marked candidate responses, however if you'd like to get a head start and view the interim examiners' reports in the meantime, they can be found here: [GCSE Religious Studies | Eduqas](#)

The full examiners' reports will be published on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

### Examining with us

Some say that the best way to learn something is to do it, and our new Subject Officer thinks this is definitely true of marking. If you have considered it before but have some doubts or queries, get in touch today to find out what the role entails and what support and training we offer. If you would like to apply today for next summer, follow this link: [Exam Marking jobs | Examiner & Moderator Vacancies From Eduqas](#)

### Humanism Teaching and Learning Resources

Understanding Humanism is a website run by Humanists UK and contains resources for teaching about Humanism. Follow the link to find out more, including the training events they run and how to sign up to email notifications: [Understanding Humanism](#)

### Contact Us

If you are new to Eduqas GCSE RS, are considering switching to us, want more information on anything in this newsletter or have some great ideas for things you would like to see in future newsletters, please get in touch!

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Thank you for reading and have a wonderful term.