

Excelsior High School



Religious Education

Department















GRADE SEVEN SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

2012-2013

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - SCOPE AND SEQUENCE GRADE 7

WEEK	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	NO. OF SESSIONS
1	Introduction to Religious Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ What is Religious Education ☐ Why is Religious Education important?(1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the nature of Religious Education? • Why is Religious Education important? 	2
2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Why is Religious Education important? (2) ☐ What is religion? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the word religion mean? • Why is Religious Education so important to so many people? 	2
3		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ The need to worship ☐ The Nature of Religion (1-2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a ritual? • Christian rituals • To understand the different ways that people express their emotions in worship services. 	2
4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ The Nature of Religion (3-4) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does the word doctrine mean? • Explore four Christian doctrines. • What are myths? • Examples of Myths in the scriptures. • To understand the ethical and legal and social and material dimension of religion. 	2
5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Who Am I? (1) ☐ Who Am I? (2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify what makes each human being special. • To construct a family tree • From where do we get our religious identity? 	2
6		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Who Am I?(3, 4&5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To seek to identify and explain the six different aspects of a person 	2
7	The meaning and purpose of life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ Why Am I Here? ☐ The meaning of life and birth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the meaning and purpose of life 	2
8		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ The spiritual purpose of Life ☐ Preparing for the next life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a spiritual agreement? • What is God's responsibility to us? • What is our responsibility to God? • What the four major world religions teach about the next life 	2

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9		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Finding meaning in Everyday Life  Finding a purpose of Life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To learn what Jesus said about the purpose of life. • How to live peaceably with others • To accept the mystery of life • Learning to do a self evaluation 	2
10		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Living with purpose  <i>Revision</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To accept the mystery of life • Learning to do a self evaluation • What is meant by goal setting? • Understanding how to live meaningfully 	2
1	Creation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">  What is nature?  The Jewish and Christian stories (1&2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss what the different religions teach about created world. • What do Judaism and Christianity teach about creation? 	2
2		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  The Muslim Story of Creation  The Hindu Story of Creation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understanding the two division of the Muslim creation story • To understand the cycle of life in Hinduism 	2
3		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  The Tainos and Creation  Religion and Science 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who were the Tainos? • What did the Tainos believe about creation? • To explore the conflict between scientific and religious creation beliefs. 	2
4		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Order and design in nature  The Place of Humans in creation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To explore evidence of God in nature • What is the role of humans in the world? 	2
5		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Our responsibility towards life (1&2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is contraception? • What do Christians, Muslims, Hindus and Jews teach about contraception? • What do the major world religions teach about cloning and abortion? 	2
6		<ul style="list-style-type: none">  The consequence of human action on the world (1-3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is pollution and recycling? • Define natural resources and deforestation acid rain and global warming. 	2

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7		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking responsibility for our actions (1&2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain our roles in taking care of the environment • What is an unwanted pregnancy? • Explain what are Sexually Transmitted Infections 	2
8	Culture and Religion	Rites of Passage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infant Baptism and dedication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine practices that mark important stages in life such as birth, coming of age, marriage and death. 	2
9		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circumcision The Aqiqah and Samskara ceremonies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the various rituals and celebrations that are connected with the rites of passage with family life. • Define infant baptism, dedication, circumcision, Aqiqah and Samskara. Confirmation, Believer's Baptism. 	2
10		Coming of age ceremonies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growing up in a Jewish or Muslim family 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define Confirmation, Believer's baptism, Bar and Bat Mitzvah • Explain the significance of the Bar and Bat Mitzvah, Confirmation and Believer's Baptism 	2
1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growing up in a Hindu family Marriage and weddings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the Sacred Thread Ceremony. 	2
2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wedding customs and rituals Muslim and Hindu wedding customs 		2
3		Death <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christians, Jews and death 		2
4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Muslims, Hindus and death Religious leaders and family life 		2

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