

Conversation cards - Religion & Belief

Describe faith in 3 words?	Define the word 'religion'.	Why might some people believe in God?
Why might some people not believe in God?	Religion has no place in modern Britain. Discuss.	Religion does more harm than good?

<p>The world would be a better place if everyone followed a religion?</p>	<p>Does heaven exist?</p>	<p>Does hell exist?</p>
<p>If God is all powerful, why do bad things happen?</p>	<p>What makes something a sin?</p>	<p>Do angels exist?</p>
<p>Have you ever prayed?</p>	<p>Holy scriptures give good advice on how to live a good life. Discuss.</p>	<p>Religion is the main cause of global conflict. Discuss.</p>

Do you identify as theist, atheist or agnostic?	Is God a man, woman or neither?	Do humans have a soul?
Is religion necessary?	Should freedom of speech, opinion and thought include freedom to write against religious beliefs?	How was the earth created?
Is there any proof of reincarnation?	Should religion be taught in schools?	Can inter-faith marriage ever work?

Teacher tips:

These chat checks are a tool to facilitate frank and honest discussion about the future, it is therefore vital that the teacher familiarises themselves with the cards prior to the session so that they are prepared for any potential questions and/or debate points.

Idea 1 – Circle time, print out and cut up. Have the cards face down on the floor, students take it in turns to pick a card, read it out and discuss.

Idea 2 – $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$. Split the class into 2 circles/groups. One group discuss the grey cards, the other the white. Then bring together for each group to share their opinions with their peers (this method is more appropriate for older students)