



PHILOSOPHY & ETHICS A-LEVEL

WHY SHOULD I STUDY A-LEVEL PHILOSOPHY?

The A-level Philosophy and Ethics course is an extravaganza of literary analysis. Pupils taking this course engage with a wide variety of reading material, extracts of original philosophy are at the heart of the course and these must be evaluated in detail. Pupils have the opportunity to read several philosophical books in their entirety. Philosophy and Ethics are not an easy choice of subject matter but are very rewarding for bookworms.

WHAT WILL I LEARN ABOUT?

Pupils explore three key areas of Philosophy: Philosophy of religion: Can we know anything about God; Ethics: How should I live my life; Developments in thought: How has human thought changed over the past 2000 years.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Pupils study three topics. All are examined by 40-mark essay and there are three examinations two hours long. So, in total you will write nine essays in three sessions and this will be the basis of your grade.

WHAT SKILLS WILL I DEVELOP?

The Philosophy and Ethics course enables pupils to write as philosophers and live ethically. It is an exciting course that gives pupils the opportunity to develop their analytical and critical skills. It gives them essential tools to make strong arguments and critically examine their opponents' views. The course develops a range of argument skills and conceptual understanding.

WHERE COULD THIS SUBJECT TAKE ME IN THE FUTURE?

Philosophy and Ethics pupils end up everywhere, as in law firms, as CEOs and in the creative industries and in the clergy. This question should really say, where am I prohibited from going with a philosophy and ethics degree?

Exam Board: OCR

