

# AQA GCSE Religious Studies A - Theme E: Religion, crime and punishment

<b><u>Religion, crime and the causes of crime</u></b>	Page relevant information is on	Knowledge and understanding RAG rating	Strategies I will use to improve
Good and evil intentions and actions, including whether it can ever be good to cause suffering			
Reasons for crime, including poverty and upbringing, mental illness and addiction, greed and hate, opposition to an unjust law			
Views about people who break the law for these reasons			
Views about different types of crime, including hate crimes, theft and murder			
<b><u>Religion and punishment</u></b>			
The aims of punishment, including retribution, deterrence, reformation			
<i>The treatment of criminals, including prison, corporal punishment, community service</i>			
<i>Forgiveness</i>			
<i>The death penalty</i>			
Ethical arguments related to the death penalty, including those based on the principle of utility and sanctity of life			

*Students must be able to explain contrasting beliefs on the following three issues with reference to the main religious tradition in Britain (Christianity) and one or more other religious traditions:*

*Corporal punishment*

*Death penalty*

*Forgiveness*