

Religious Studies

Reading and extending your critical thinking skills will help you to prepare yourself well for Religious Studies A Level. Reading suggestions which will help you engage with concepts and ideas you shall encounter in the A Level include the following:

- **The pig that wants to be eaten** – Julian Baggini
- **50 Philosophy Ideas you must know** – Ben Dupre
- **Think** – Simon Blackburn
- **The Blind Watchmaker**, and/or **The God Delusion** – Richard Dawkins
- **The Puzzle of Christianity** – Peter Vardy
- **Christian Theology** or **Theology: The Basics** - A McGrath

These texts are relevant to the three papers covered in the course; in philosophy of religion, religious ethics and developments in Christian thought.

Some online resources:

- <https://thepanpsycast.com/home> . This has some excellent podcasts which are useful as well as very engaging.
- The Philosophy Man - <https://www.thephilosophyman.com/>
- Philosophers Magazine – <https://www.philosophersmag.com/>. Try the games on this website, and read the commentaries that go with them.

