

How to pass: National 5 RMPS

A guide for parents and carers



Essential information

What will my child study?	How can I support my child?
World Religion — Islam: beliefs about God, Muhammad, free will and life after death; the Five Pillars, the Qur'an and worship. Morality and Belief — Medical ethics: issues about life, medicine and religious and non-religious responses to issues like euthanasia and embryo research. Religious and Philosophical Questions — The Existence of God: arguments for and against God's existence, objections and how convincing the arguments are.	Study support runs Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. All classroom resources are on Teams. Ask your child to show you the class materials, their latest feedback and the next step they are working on. If work is missing, confidence is low or Teams access is difficult, contact the class teacher through the school's usual route. Encourage attendance at study support.

How is the course assessed?

Assessment	Marks	Duration	2027 exam / school date
Exam	80	2 h 20 min	Tue 27 April 2027 09:00–11:20
Assignment	20	1 h write-up	School will confirm the write-up date

The exam is 80% and the assignment 20% of the final mark. Both are externally marked by Qualifications Scotland. Pupils answer on their taught option in each of the three exam sections.

The assignment involves independent research, then a supervised write-up using a resource sheet of up to 200 words. Help your child plan their time; the assessed work must be their own.

Practical help at home

What can we do each week?	Where can we find reliable resources?
Agree short, regular study sessions. Focus on one point from teacher feedback and check that your child acts on it. Practise a short exam answer from memory, then check the marking instructions. For "How far do you agree?" questions, ask for their view and reasons supporting it. A five-minute conversation: Ask "What do you think, and why?" Then ask for an example or a different viewpoint.	Past papers and marking instructions Select the correct subject and level; follow teacher advice for older papers. Marked examples: Understanding Standards Achieve — requires an account. Ask the teacher about access.  Course guidance sqa.org.uk/sqa/47421.html  Exam timetable sqa.org.uk/sqa/1439.html