

Higher RMPS Calendar 2015-16

Origins of Life

W/b	Topic	Lesson	Resource	Homework
June				
17.8.15	Origins	What are the origins of life?	Course Booklet p1-4	
24.8.15	Role of a creator.	Human Life is created by God .	Course Booklet p5-8	
		God's role as creator of a life/the universe		
31.8.15	Distinction between literal and metaphorical interpretations of creation stories.	Examples of metaphorical interpretations of creation stories.	Course Booklet p8-12	Is there enough evidence to support religious views on the origins of life?
7.9.15	The Big Bang	Overview of big bang as an origin of all existence.	Course Booklet p13	
14.9.15	Teleological Argument			'Scientific evidence overwhelmingly proves that the origins of life were purely natural.' Discuss
21.9.15		William Palley	Course Booklet p14-17	

28.9.15		The argument from Design David Hume	<i>Understanding Philosophy</i> p230-235	Why does Hume think that, because the universe is unique, we cannot come to any conclusions concerning its origins?
		The Anthropic Principal	Course Booklet p17-18	
	Evolution	Charles Darwin and The Theory of Evolution	Course Booklet p18-22 <i>Understanding Philosophy</i> p235-238	
5.10.15		Evidence for Evolution	<i>Darwinism and Christian Belief</i> John Hedley Brooke Course Booklet p23-27	'Evolution removes the need for belief in God'. To what extent might this view be supported?
19.10.15	Faith and Reason	Are science and religion in conflict?	Course Booklet p27-34 Has Science killed God? Richard Dawkins	
2.11.15	Cosmological Argument	St Thomas Aquinas	<i>Understanding Philosophy</i> p238-243	Explain the following, giving your own example of each: material cause, formal cause; final cause and efficient cause
9.11.15	Assessment (1)			
16.11.15		Denis Alexander www.testoffaith.com	Course Booklet p35-38 Review of Denis Alexander videos	
30.11.15		Why religious people see the Big Bang as proving the	PowerPoint	

		cosmological argument		
7.12.15	Assignment			
11.1.16		John Lennox	Course Booklet p39	
		Justin L Barret	Course Booklet p40	'You cannot be religious and believe scientific accounts of origins.' Discuss
18.1.16	Perspectives on the compatibility between reason and faith		PowerPoint	
1.2.16	Assessment (2)			
22.2.16	Creation Stories	Pan Gu and Nü Wa	Course Booklet p41-41	'Belief in a creator is just wishful thinking.' How far do you agree?
14.3.16	Assessment (3)			
21.3.16	Exam Preparation			