

**Component Two: Thematic Studies – Theme B:  
 Religion and Life  
 Knowledge Organiser**



Glossary of Key Terms:

- abortion
- afterlife
- animal rights
- awe
- Big Bang Theory
- Charles Darwin
- conception
- conservation
- creation
- dominion
- environment
- evolution
- fossil fuels
- hospice
- hypothesis
- natural resources
- natural selection
- pesticide
- Pro-Choice
- Pro-Life
- quality of life
- right to die
- sanctity of life
- stewardship
- sustainable energy

**The Big Picture:**



- **How** was the World Created?
- **What** is the Scientific Explanation for Creation?
- **What** is the Religious Explanation for Creation?
- **Can** There be only One Explanation for Creation?
- **What** is Stewardship?
- **What** is Religion's Attitude Towards the Environment?
- **What** Rights do Animals Have?
- **What** is the Value of Human Life?
- **Is** it Ever Right to End a Life?
- **What** is Euthanasia?
- **Is** There an Afterlife?

Religious Attitudes to Life			
Source	Where?	Christianity Quotes	Meaning
Bible	Genesis 27	So God created mankind in his own image.	God created all of life in his own image.
Bible	Exodus	Thou shalt not kill.	Do not kill – as found in the Ten Commandments
Bible	Job 21	I, your God, give life, and I take it away.	Only God has the right to give and take life.

Contrasting Beliefs		
<b>Abortion</b>	<b>ROMAN CATHOLICS:</b> Believe that abortion is always wrong.	<b>ANGLICAN:</b> Many Anglicans accept abortion as a necessary evil.
<b>Euthanasia</b>	<b>ROMAN CATHOLICS:</b> Active euthanasia is always wrong as life is sacred.	<b>CHRISTIANITY:</b> Christians generally accept passive euthanasia, for example switching off life support.
<b>Animal Experimentation</b>	<b>ROMAN CATHOLICS:</b> Accepts experiments on animals within reasonable limits and only if it is caring for or saving human lives.	<b>CHRISTIANITY:</b> Some Christians think experimentation is wrong due to the role of stewardship.

**CEIAG Link:**

For this topic we are studying, we can make links to a variety of professions:

- Environmental Consultant
- Nurse
- RSPCA Inspector

If these are something you are interested in, do some research on the profession or speak to Mrs Ackroyd!



**Great British Questions topics:**

- [abortion](#)
- [euthanasia](#)
- [animal experimentation](#)