Year 9 – Unit Three: What Really Matters? Is Religion Relevant in the 21st Century?

The Big Picture:

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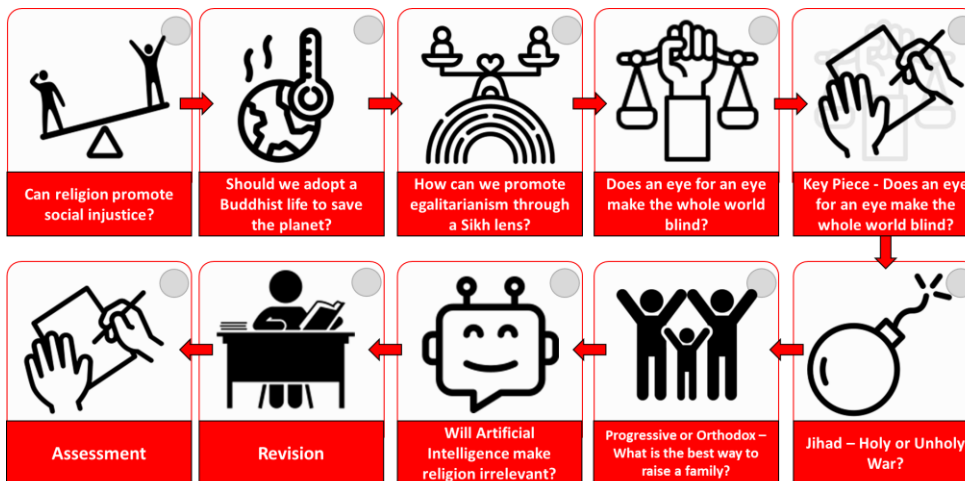
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What do you think Tom Price is suggesting about the relevance of religion in the 21st Century?

I think that faith is relevant. The straightforward reason is that religion shapes people in all sorts of ways through their beliefs, traditions, practices, and culture. And the social sciences have long understood the value and relevance of religion in the tasks of describing and predicting human behaviour.

Tom Price

Key words	Definition
Capital punishment	The legal killing of someone as punishment for a crime.
Caste System	A social hierarchy in which people are divided into separate classes based on their social and economic status.
Climate Change	A long-term change in the earth's climate, especially a change due to an increase in the average temperature.
egalitarianism	The belief in the principle that all people are equal and deserve equal rights and opportunities.
Four Varnas	Four social classes in Hinduism, traditionally made up of Brahmins, Kshatriyas, Vaishyas, and Shudras.
Jihad	A struggle or fight against the enemies of Islam.
Orthodox	Conforming to traditional beliefs or practices in religion.
racism	Prejudice and discrimination directed against someone of a different race based on the belief that one's own race is superior.
social injustice	A situation in which unfair practices and circumstances negatively affect a certain group of people or society as a whole.
terrorism	A violent action or threat designed to influence the government or intimidate the public.
war	A state of armed conflict between nations, states, or societies.