Title: Human Rights

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• Ethical, informed citizens who engage with contemporary issues based upon their knowledge and values. RVE in The Curriculum for Wales By reading and using the articles in their Religion, Values and Ethics lessons, learners will have opportunities to:		
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	The RVE lens By reading and using the articles in their Religion, Values and Ethics lessons, learners will have opportnities to explore a range of RVE concepts through the sub lenses below: • Search for meaning and purpose; • The natural world and living things;			
	 Identity and belonging; 	Identity and belonging;		
	 Authority and influence; 			
	 Relationships and responsibility; 			
	 Values and ethics; The journey of life; *Please note that RVE is locally determined through an agreed syllabus. Each local authority has its own agreed syllabus for RVE that schools must have regard to. All agreed syllabi have had regard to the Curriculum for Wales framework and RVE guidance referenced above and below Useful Links: 			
	<u>guidance</u>	s/curriculum-for-wales/humanities/designing-you	r-curriculum/#religion,-values-and-ethics-	
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		o.gov.wales/curriculum-for-wales/humanities/state		
	Cross-cutting Themes - https://hwb.gov.w	ales/curriculum-for-wales/humanities/designing-	your-curriculum/#cross-cutting-themes	

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Key Vocabulary	Bishop - leader of a large area according to ecclesiastical order.	Persecution - abuse, imprisonment, cruel treatment (for example because of their religious beliefs).	Equality Act 2010 - A law that seeks to ensure that everyone is treated equally in different aspects of life.
	Rights - able to do what is acceptable and guarantees freedom.	Rohingya - Rohingya people live in Myanmar and most follow the religion of Islam. They have been cruelly persecuted over the years,	Faith School - a school of a particular religion. Sacred - holy. Something of divine importance in religion - belonging to God.
	Repent – be remorseful for doing what is considered 'wrong'.	and have no right to citizenship because of the Myanmar Nationality Act 1982. The Rohingya face severe restrictions on education and the	Employer - someone who gives someone work. Discrimination - treating someone differently
	Hell - where people are punished according to the beliefs of some religions.	freedom to move around the country. Torture - worry, make weary, hurt, suffering.	unfairly Trade Unions - Organisations that protect
	Evangelical Christian - this is a term often used for Christians who accept the Bible	Arbitrary - determined by a whim (a short-lived fanciful idea).	workers' rights. Muslims - followers of the Islam religion.
	United Nations - an international movement to bring the countries of the	Soviet Union - a federal sovereign state in Northern Eurasia that existed between 1922-1991. The state was controlled by the Communist Party with Moscow as the capital.	Ramadan - a fasting month in the religion of Islam. Holy Books - the most important books of any religion that contain their beliefs.
	world together to promote peace and improve relations.	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR or CCCP).	Kara - one of the 5ks - the steel bracelet.
		Advocacy - the act of speaking for another person, or for a cause, an organisation.	Kirpan - one of the 5ks - the small sword.
		Yazidi - people who speak the Kurdish language and live mainly in Iraq, Syria, Armenia and Georgia. They follow a very ancient religion and are monotheists (believe in one God).	

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	Bishop	Persecution	Equality Act
Search words	Vicar	United Nations	Discrimination
	Repent	Human Rights	Religious holidays
	Hell	Statement	Faith school
	Human Rights	Advocacy	Employer
			Meat
	Religious Rights	Open Doors	Alcohol
		Hope for the Middle East	Prayer
		Freedom	Judaism
		Smuggling	Labour unions
			Muslim
			Holy books
			Religious club
Classroom tasks	Extended tasks that require pupils to use the 3 articles, refer to religious beliefs / teachings and practices when responding to fundamental / religious questions. Author Deborah Orr wrote in the Guardian, "For human rights to flourish, religious rights must come second". What do you think? Remember to refer to the three articles of the e-magazine and your own information.		
Extended	There have been many instances	Choose a country from the Open Doors	1. Further research the requirements of
tasks	where there has been a conflict	2020 Watchlist and write a statement	the Equality Act 2010.
	over people's right to wear religious clothing / symbols in public over recent years. Look for some of these events and come to conclusions at	of support, reflection or prayer for the children and youths who suffer because of their faith / religion in the country.	Play the role of a religious person applying for a job, some elements of which would be contrary to their

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	the end. 2. "I intend to ensure that all pupils study Religious Education and Sex and Relationships Education in the new curriculum, in the same way that they study science, mathematics and languages." These are the words of Kirsty Williams, the Welsh Education Minister in introducing the new curriculum. In the past, parents had the right to opt their children out. What do you think are the arguments for and against giving parents the right to choose in the areas identified?	 Author Deborah Orr says, "For human rights to flourish, religious rights have to come second". But Rehman Chishli, an official in Mrs Theresa May's government, said " where freedom of religion or belief is under attack, other human rights are threatened too. Societies that aim to protect and promote freedom of religion or belief are more stable, more prosperous and likely to be more resilient against violent extremism." Discuss both opinions in a class debate. Draw a poster highlighting the suffering of Christians and / or other believers in the world today. 	religious beliefs. 3. Have a class discussion about whether religious people should have special rights in the workplace. Research recent cases of religious discrimination in the workplace or school.
	 3. The article refers to two rights-based organisations, Liberty and Stonewall. Research the work of both and list some of their successes. 4. On what grounds have some 	4. Can you imagine Wales as a country where you are not allowed to follow a particular religion. You may have learned about religious groups in the past that have suffered persecution in Wales. Write a paragraph or diary describing your experiences as a	
	Christians been negative towards gay rights? What is the Biblical basis	Christian or other person of faith in the country.	

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	for this? How does this affect the rights of people in different parts of the world? 5. The article refers to the following: Bishop Cherry Vann; Reverend Richard Coles; Correspondent Deborah Orr; The Israeli rugby player Folau; Referee Nigel Owens. How have these influenced your feelings about the rights of different groups of people?	5. Research the history of Asia Bibi and write a paragraph about what happened to her. Here is one website that could help you: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/resources/idt-sh/Asia Bibi	
Further resources		https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/resources/idt-sh/Asia Bibi Persecuting Muslims in China - https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-china-45474279 The Muslim Religion in Myanmar -	

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		https://www.theguardian.com/global-	
		development/2017/sep/06/who-are-the-	
		rohingya-and-what-is-happening-in-myanmar	
		https://www.opendoorsuk.org	