Raising the profile of RE in your school
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Check your RE

rigour integrity challenge

Does RE in my school stand up to educational scrutiny?

one word answers

supply missing word

multi-choice answers

read and answer questions

word puzzles

labelling

drawing and colouring

recall & description

teacher talk

semi-confessional

Muslims worship in what building? 

Answer: …………….

The Sikh _____ book is the Guru Granth Sahib. It is placed on a special throne called a _____ and is treated with great ______.
Showcase what the pupils can do
display their work
What the pupils can do

Can you see heaven?

Amy 19 Oct 2011

How can God be everywhere, and see everything?

Liko 8 Nov 2011

I don’t believe in a God as a fairy godmother who will make all your dreams come true.

Todd 6 Jan 2012

display their work

splash statement showy

capture their questions

capture their answers

change it regularly

put it on the school website
Make up a panel of three or four

- Invite the headteacher
- governor
- parent
- local minister
- member of staff
- Member of SACRE

Help the pupils to prepare and select the questions

Encourage them to anticipate answers and to have supplementary questions

film the event
Make the subject look active
That it is interested in the world out there
invite parents, governors

The British Museum
Hajj journey to the heart of Islam
26 January - 15 April 2012

Joan of Arc
600 anniversary

Eric Liddell
involve other schools
teams of four
book the Council Chambers
non-adversarial
invite the Major
local MP
Council members
Faith leaders
bored

resentful

fails to be
inclusive

passive

coercive

religious
education
Religious education
educational
inclusive
link classroom with CW themes
involve pupils
use drama
use it as a platform to promote RE
Start an RE and Philosophy club

community of enquiry discussions
encourage the pupils to raise questions
capture the pupils ideas
Is prayer a waste of time?

To some, prayer is indeed a way to connect and relate to God. But, perhaps, it is also a way you connect with yourself. Prayer is a way to open up to yourself. Admitting to yourself you have problems, when you cannot admit them to anyone else.
Hidden assumption

I have a phone box and a post box in my garden and I have never been invaded by elephants. Therefore post-boxes and phone boxes protect me from elephants.