

1: Does God exist?

- Uncertain- not known or definite
- Theist- someone who believes in the existence of God.
- Atheists- do not believe in the existence of God. They argue there is no proof God exists.
- Agnostics- are unsure about the existence of God. They are not sure if you need proof but don't have complete faith either.
- Census- An official count or survey, especially of a population.

The Census (2011) shows that the number of people identifying as having no religion is increasing.

2: What are nones & SBNRs?

Nones: a term use by sociologists (people who study society) to describe the diverse group of people with no religion, including atheists, agnostics and those who are spiritual but not religious.

Spiritual but not religious (SBNR)

SBNRs believe in a higher power but choose not to follow a religion

3: What happens when we die?

- Soul- the spiritual or immaterial part of a human being or animal, regarded as immortal
- Immortal- live forever, never dies
- Resurrection- rising from the dead
- Samsara- the cycle of death and rebirth (Buddhist belief)

World Religions:

All world religions believe death is not the end. Muslims and Christians believe in resurrection, where people go to heaven or hell after Judgement Day.

The Paranormal:

Other possible evidence to support afterlife includes spiritual, ghosts, mediums and near-death experiences.

4: Reward and punishment

Judgement Day: At the end of time people will face God's judgement on how they lived their lives

Karma: is a kind of cosmic judgement system: good actions collect good karma, which help to ensure an enjoyable and happy next life and bad actions collect bad karma, which will result in a future life that is not as positive or joyous.

Justice- fair treatment and fair punishment

Most religions teach everyone will face consequences for how they have lived, and no one will escape justice in the afterlife.

5: Do we have a soul?

- Immortality- the ability to live forever, eternal life
- Mortal- unable to continue living, having to die
- Unique- one of kind, unlike anything else
- Reincarnation- a rebirth of a mental capacity, such as soul, in a physical form, such as a body
- Christian definition of a soul- Christians believe that when the physical body dies, a non-physical part of the person continues to live on. This is known as the soul . Christians believe that the soul is God-given and that it is immortal.

6: What do different people believe about the soul?

Christians believe the soul is what makes us unique and different to the rest of God's creation. They believe it is God given and immortal.

The Simpsons explores 'Do we have a soul?' in the episode 'Bart sells his soul.' At the start Bart claims we do not have soul and it was made up to control us. Lisa claims it's a symbol of everything that is fine inside of us, while Milhouse claims we do have a soul.

Most atheists do not believe we have soul as they do not believe in a god. They believe humans are mortal. Other atheists believe in the existence of spirits, afterlife, or reincarnation.