

RS	How did it all begin?	Year 8	Term 1
1: Key words:		2: Awe and Worldviews	
<p>World view-A person's world view is the way they see and understand the world, especially regarding issues such as politics, philosophy, and religion.</p> <p>Ultimate questions- The actual inquiry behind the ultimate answer to life, the universe and everything (the big questions about life and existence).</p> <p>Truths- There are different types of truth e.g. historical, moral, scientific and religious truth.</p> <p>Awe-feeling of wonder and amazement.</p> <p>Inspire-create a feeling, especially a positive one in a person.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awe may lead to theism because the natural world fills people with awe. This leads them to believe there must be an intelligent designer (God). • Awe may lead to atheism because the so-called intelligent design of the world is not perfect and science offers other explanations that seem to not require an intelligent designer (God). • Awe may lead to agnosticism because the existence of awe leads to more questions that neither science and/or religion can fully answer. 	
3: Intelligent design		4: Worldviews- religious cosmologies	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intelligent design-the theory that life, or the universe, cannot have arisen by chance and was designed and created by some intelligent entity. • Design theory- theory that the universe needs a designer. • Christians believe the universe was created orderly by God so must have a designer! • The Watch Maker analogy- claims that if a watch needs a watch maker because it is so complex and intricate, surely the universe too requires a intelligent designer maker who must be God. • Sir Isaac Newton- He argued the thumb print alone was the only evidence he needed to be convinced there is a designer God. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cosmology- the study of the origins of the universe. • Bible—the Christian Holy Book. • Creation-the creating of the universe, especially when regarded as an act of God. • Genesis- the first book in the Bible. • Qur'an— the Muslim Holy Book reveals Allah is the creator. • Sanctity of life- Many religions believe that life is sacred because God created it, including Islam and Christianity. 	
5. What does Genesis reveal?		6: Worldviews- atheist views on cosmology	
<p>All Christians believe the creation stories reveal God is the creator and it reveals he is omnipotent, omniscient and benevolent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first day-light was created. • The second day - the sky was created. • The third day - dry land, seas, plants and trees were created. • The fourth day - the Sun, Moon and stars were created. • The fifth day - creatures that live in the sea and creatures that fly were created. • The sixth day - animals that live on the land and finally humans, made in the image of God were created. • By day seven - God finished his work of creation and rested, making the seventh day a special holy day. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Bang -Approximately 15 billion years ago, scientists believe, the universe began under conditions of extreme heat, all the matter and energy that make up the universe spread out to create space. • Evolution-the change in characteristics of a species over time. • Chance- something by accident or without design. 	