

BLACKFEN SIXTH FORM – TRANSITION WORK FOR YEAR 12

A Level RS

There have been numerous philosophers throughout history who have had a profound impact on the way we think, as individuals and as a society, and have shaped our society into what we have today. Your task is to do some independent research about any number of the philosophers from the list below (and/or any others you might find) and create a fact file – no bigger than A4 – about each philosopher (minimum of three philosophers). For each person, you should include:

- Birth & death dates
- Where in the world they originated/lived
- Early influence
- Key beliefs
- Topics (philosophy &/or ethics) they are linked to

Philosophers to choose from are:	St. Thomas Aquinas	John Stuart Mill	A. J. Ayer
Socrates			
Plato	David Hume	F. R. Tennant	John Hick
Aristotle	Immanuel Kant	Bertrand Russell	Richard Swinburne
Irenaeus	William Paley	Joseph Fletcher	Richard Dawkins
St. Augustine	Jeremy Bentham	F. C. Coplestone	Peter Vardy