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They must be able to explain contrasting beliefs on the following three issues with reference to the main religious tradition in Britain (Christianity) and one or more other religious traditions: Abortion.

**Euthanasia**

Animal experimentation

The origins of the universe, including:
- religious teachings about the origins of the universe, and different interpretations of these
- the relationship between scientific views, such as the Big Bang theory, and religious views.

The value of the world and the duty of human beings to protect it, including religious teaching about stewardship, dominion, responsibility, awe and wonder.

The use and abuse of the environment, including the use of natural resources, pollution.

The use and abuse of animals, including:
- animal experimentation
- the use of animals for food.

The origins of life, including:
- religious teachings about the origins of human life, and different interpretations of these
- the relationship between scientific views, such as evolution, and religious views.

The concepts of sanctity of life and the quality of life.

Abortion, including situations when the mother's life is at risk.

Ethical arguments related to abortion, including those based on the sanctity of life and quality of life.

**Euthanasia**

Beliefs about death and an afterlife, and their impact on beliefs about the value of human life.