

**CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS  
STUDIES (CRS)**

S/N	Content Areas	Competencies	Descriptive Statements	Depth of Knowledge
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The History of the Early or Apostolic church.</li> <li>• Paul’s Missionary Journeys.</li> <li>• Growth and Development of Christianity in Ghana (History, challenges of the early missionaries, Contribution to societal development, and setbacks).</li> <li>• Christianity and African Culture.</li> </ul> <p>Christian Denominations and Organisations in Ghana.</p>	Demonstrate knowledge of the background of Christianity.	<p>Recount the history of Christianity and its contribution to society.</p> <p>Recall facts and events related to the growth and development of Christianity.</p> <p>Identify and summarize major historical events about Christianity.</p>	Levels 1 & 2
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definition of the Bible.</li> <li>• Characteristics of the Bible.</li> <li>• Introduction to the Old Testament.</li> <li>• Divisions of the Hebrew Bible and the OT.</li> <li>• Books in the OT.</li> <li>• Introduction to the New Testament.</li> <li>• Divisions of the NT.</li> </ul> <p>Books in the NT.</p>	Demonstrate knowledge of the general background of the Bible.	<p>Exhibit an understanding of the nature of the Christian scripture.</p> <p>Organise and represent facts related to the Bible.</p> <p>Recall elements, structure and sequence of the Bible.</p>	Levels 1 & 2
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Nature of God (Universalism, Justice, Divine</li> </ul>	Show skills in applying major Old Testament themes to society.	Recall OT characters, places and events.	Level 1, 2, 3, & 4

love and call, Holiness, Attributes).

- The Creation Story and its Moral Lessons;  
Priestly Account Gen 1-2:4,  
Yahwist Account Gens 2:4b-25.
- The Creation and the Fall of Man.
- God's covenant with Humankind  
Abraham Gen 12:1-9; 17:1-21; 21:1-8.  
Israel Exodus 2:23-25; 19, 20, 24:1-11; 32:1-24; 32:33-35.  
New covenant Jer. 31:31-34, 32:36-41; Ezk. 36:24-28.
- Godly Leadership Joseph as a Leader Gen 37:1-28; 41:1-57; 45:1-15.  
Moses as a Leader  
Leadership of Joshua  
Leadership of Deborah
- Responsibilities of Citizens (Parental Responsibility, individual responsibilities, Ezekiel's concept of individual responsibility etc)
- Disobedience and Consequences (Saul's disobedience and David's

Identify and summarize narratives from the OT.

Develop logical arguments about critical OT themes.

Application of OT content to contemporary Ghanaian society.

	<p>obedience and total submission to God).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision making (Solomon’s wisdom, unwise policies of Solomon and Rehoboam).</li> <li>• Greed and its Effects (Elisha and Gehazi, Ahab and Naboth’s vineyard).</li> <li>• Patriotism for one’s nation (Response to the state of the nation: Nehemiah and Ezra).</li> </ul> <p>Faith in God (Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego).</p>			
4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Religious sects in the NT.</li> <li>• Introduction to the Gospels (the synoptic Gospels and the Gospel of John).</li> <li>• The birth of John.</li> <li>• The Birth, Ministry, Death Resurrection of Jesus Christ.</li> <li>• The call of the disciples.</li> <li>• Teachings of Jesus (love, forgiveness, prayer, marriage, divorce, hospitality, Sabbath etc).</li> <li>• Parables of Jesus.</li> <li>• Miracles of Jesus.</li> <li>• Transfiguration and Great Confession.</li> <li>• The Great Commission.</li> <li>• Jesus’ encounter with Jewish and Roman authorities.</li> </ul>	Show skills in applying major New Testament themes in society.	<p>Recall NT characters, places and events.</p> <p>Identify and summarize narratives from the NT.</p> <p>Develop logical arguments about critical NT themes.</p> <p>Application of NT content to contemporary Ghanaian society.</p>	Level 1, 2, 3, & 4

	The Epistle (Faith and works, impartiality, effective prayer, good citizenship).			
5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Triune God/ trinity</li> <li>• Salvation</li> <li>• Repentance</li> <li>• Baptism</li> <li>• Eucharist</li> <li>• Eschatology</li> <li>• Confirmation</li> </ul>	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of core Christian beliefs and Practices.	<p>List and Define Core Christian Beliefs.</p> <p>Explain the interpretations and claims associated with fundamental Christian beliefs and practices.</p> <p>Critically assess the interpretation and application of basic Christian beliefs and practices.</p>	Levels 1, 2, 3, & 4
6.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christianity and the environment</li> <li>• Bribery and Corruption</li> <li>• Fraud and Cyber Crime</li> <li>• Sexual morality</li> <li>• Religious tolerance</li> </ul>	Exhibit skills and understanding of Contemporary Issues and their correlation to Christian teachings.	<p>Identify Current Socioeconomic and Religious Issues.</p> <p>Explain the Effects of Modern-Day Issues on Society.</p> <p>Analyse and synthesize Christian Teachings Related to Contemporary Issues.</p>	Level 2, 3, & 4

**CRS ITEM SPECIFICATION TABLE**

Content Areas		Depth of Knowledge (DoK)			
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	<b>Background to Christianity.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>		
1	•The History of the Early or Apostolic church.	1	1		
	•Paul’s Missionary Journeys.	1	1		
	•Growth and Development of Christianity in Ghana (History, challenges of the early missionaries, Contribution to societal development, and setbacks).	1	1		
	•Christianity and African Culture.	1	1		
	•Christian Denominations and Organisations in Ghana.	1	1		
	<b>General Background of the Bible.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>		
2	•Definition of the Bible.	1			
	•Characteristics of the Bible.		1		
	•Introduction to the Old Testament.		1		
	•Divisions of the Hebrew Bible and the OT.	1	1		
	•Books in the OT.	1			
	•Introduction to the New Testament.		1		
	•Divisions of the NT.	1	1		
	•Books in the NT.	1			
	<b>Major Old Testament Themes</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>
3	•The Nature of God (Universalism, Justice, Divine love and call, Holiness, Attributes).		1		
	•The Creation Story and its Moral Lessons; Priestly Account Gen 1-2:4, Yahwist Account Gens 2:4b-25.	1		1	1
	•The Creation and the fall of man.	1	1		
	•God’s covenant with Humankind Abraham Gen 12:1-9; 17:1-21; 21:1-8.		1	1	1

	Israel Exodus 2:23-25; 19, 20, 24:1-11; 32:1-24; 32:33-35. New covenant Jer. 31:31-34, 32:36-41; Ezk. 36:24-28.				
	•Godly Leadership Joseph as a Leader Gen 37:1-28; 41:1-57; 45:1-15. Moses as a Leader Leadership of Joshua Leadership of Deborah		1	2	
	•Responsibilities of Citizens (Parental Responsibility, individual responsibilities, Ezekiel’s concept of individual responsibility etc)		1	1	1
	•Disobedience and Consequences (Saul’s disobedience and David’s obedience and total submission to God).			1	
	•Decision making (Solomon’s wisdom, unwise policies of Solomon and Rehoboam).			1	1
	•Greed and its Effects (Elisha and Gehazi, Ahab and Naboth’s vineyard).			1	
	•Patriotism for one’s nation (Response to the state of the nation: Nehemiah and Ezra).			1	1
	•Faith in God (Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego).			1	
	<b>New Testament Themes</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>
	•Religious sects in the NT.				1
4	•Introduction to the Gospels (the synoptic Gospels and the Gospel of John).		1		1
	•The birth of John.		1		
	•The Birth, Ministry, Death Resurrection of Jesus Christ.		1	2	1
	•The call of the disciples.				1
	•Teachings of Jesus (love, forgiveness, prayer, marriage, divorce, hospitality, Sabbath etc).			2	1
	•Parables of Jesus.			2	1
	•Miracles of Jesus.			1	
	•Transfiguration and Great Confession.				1
	•The Great Commission.			1	
	•Jesus’ encounter with Jewish and Roman authorities				1
•The Epistle (Faith and works, impartiality, effective prayer, good citizenship).			2	2	
	<b>Basic Christian Beliefs and Practices.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
5	•Triune God/ trinity	1			

	•Salvation	1		1	1
	•Repentance	1	1	1	1
	•Baptism	1		1	1
	•Eucharist		1	1	
	•Eschatology	1	1	1	1
	•Confirmation				1
	<b>Christianity and Contemporary Issues</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>6</b>	•Christianity and the environment		1	1	2
	•Bribery and Corruption			1	2
	•Fraud and Cyber Crime			1	2
	•Sexual morality			1	2
	•Religious tolerance		1	1	2
<b>Total (%)</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>