

SWA Philosophy, Religion & Ethics

Year 8 Summer Challenge:



Catch Up: What do you currently know about Philosophy, Religion & Ethics?

Make a list of topics you remember learning about in Philosophy, Religion & Ethics so far in primary and middle school; tick off the ones you feel most confident in!

Explore: Reading

The Pig That Wants To Be Eaten: And 99 Other Thought Experiments by Julian Baggini

Anne Frank: The Diary of a young Girl

The Puzzle of Ethics by Peter Vardy – High Challenge!

Create: Pick a Partner and Paint “Blind”

This one's a fun philosophy activity. It'll take about 30 minutes, and you'll only need paper, pencils, pens, crayons or paint. With a member of your family or a friend, sit facing away from each other with one of you having a solid surface to draw on. The person who isn't drawing is acting as the "eyes" of the "painter" sitting behind him. Their goal is to describe the image they choose at random in as much detail as possible so that the other person can try to replicate it on their paper without ever actually seeing what image you have chosen for them.

When you finish the exercise, talk about what worked and what didn't. Were some instructions or details confusing? How could the "eyes" have described it better? Then switch roles and let the "eyes" become the "blind painter." **This is a way to test our own perceptions, the way we see and communicate our viewpoint!** Send in the outcomes with the original image they were meant to replicate.

