

#Knowledge Organiser – Year 10:Topic Three: **Wisdom and Authority**

Edexcel: Wisdom and Authority

1 This unit explores examples of **Wisdom and Authority**- How the Catholic Church make decisions and what they use for guidance

Key Ideas

- 2** The Christian holy book is the Bible and this is the most important source of authority for Christians, as it contains the teachings of God and Jesus Christ.
- 3** When it comes to finding out about or understanding something, or making decisions about what to do, most people have various sources of authority they can go to for guidance and help
- 4** Many Christians also rely on tradition for guidance. The Christian Church has existed for two thousand years and many traditions and practices have developed over the years which people find reliable and helpful. Tradition must be supported and reinforced by the teachings in the Bible.
- 5** All Christians, regardless of denomination, regard the Bible as the starting point for guidance about their faith. It contains 66 different books and is split into the **Old Testament** and the **New Testament**

Key Scripture

Catechism of the Catholic Church	‘The Sacred Scriptures contain the Word of God and, because they are inspired, they are truly the Word of God’ <u>CCC 135</u>
	‘The whole body of the faithful, cannot err in matters of belief’ <u>CCC 92, Lumen Gentium 12</u>
	‘The Gospels are the heart of all the Scriptures’ <u>CCC 129</u>

10.	Wisdom	the fact of being based on sensible or wise thinking
11.	Prophecy	A prediction of what will happen in the future
12.	Literal Christians	adherence to the exact letter of the Bible (literally)
13.	Pontifical	Relating to the Pope (the Pontiff)
14.	Ecumenism	The idea that there should be one unified Christian Church
15.	Apocrypha	A collection of ancient books that are in the Greek Old Testament, but not in the Hebrew Canon.
16.	Sources of Authority	Religious texts or bodies responsible for guiding people on how to live
17.	Second Vatican Council	16 documents which redefined the nature of the church e.g. increased lay participation in liturgy
18.	Infallibility	When the Pope speaks authoritatively on a disputed matter of doctrine
19	Apostolic succession	The teaching passed down orally from the apostles
20	Revelation	the divine or supernatural disclosure to humans of something relating to human existence
21.	Roman Catholic	A group of Christians who accept the Pope in Rome as their leader
22.	Catechism	a summary of the principles of Christian religion in the form of questions and answers, used for religious instruction
23.	Catholic Church	The branch of Christianity headed by the pope. The Roman Catholic Church
24.	Vatican	The Vatican is the city state in Rome ruled by the Pope which is the centre of the Roman Catholic Church.
25.	Religious Tradition	The beliefs, teachings and behaviour of a group. It may include scripture, oral teachings, laws and ritual practices
26.	Magisterium	The official decision making body of the Church
27.	Bishop	Anglican, Orthodox, or Roman Catholic clergy ranking above a priest. They are usually in charge of a diocese.

How do we revise with our Knowledge Organisers?

Record It

Record yourself on your phone or tablet reading out the information. These can be listened to as many times as you want!



Teach it!

Teach someone your key facts and then get them to test you, or even test them!



Flash Cards

Write the key word or date on one side and the explanation on the other. Test your memory by asking someone to quiz you on either side.

Hide and Seek

Read through your knowledge organiser, put it down and try and write out as much as you can remember. Then keep adding to it until it's full!



Back to front

Write down the answers and then write out what the questions the teacher may ask to get those answers.



Sketch it

Draw pictures to represent each of the facts or dates. It could be a simple drawing or something that reminds you of the answer.

Post its

Using a pack of post-it notes, write out as many of the keywords or dates as you can remember in only 1 minute!

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PERFECT**

Practice!

Some find they remember by simply writing the facts over and over again.

Read Aloud

Simply speak the facts and dates out loud as you're reading the Knowledge Organiser. Even try to act out some of the facts – it really helps you remember!

