

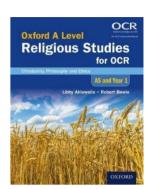
## **Year 11 into 12 Philosophy Summer Work**

Before beginning of the course you will need to buy the following textbook:

Oxford A Level Religious Studies for OCR: AS and Year 1

Student Book: Christianity, Philosophy and Ethics

by Libby Ahluwalia and Bob Bowie



This is essential for the course and you will need it in lessons and to complete HBL throughout the year.

**Task 1:** Using your textbook, you need to make notes on the Ancient Philosophical Influences: Plato Section (10-16). There is a lot of information so you will need to pick out the areas which you believe are important to understand the concept.

Ensure you make notes under the following Subheadings:

- Plato's underlying Philosophy and background
  - Plato's dualism
  - The theory of the forms, and form of the good.
  - The allegory of the cave (including the analogy of the Sun and the divided line)
  - Problems with the theory of the forms.

**Support:** Watch the video linked below which explains Plato's allegory of the Cave. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RWOpQXTItA

Task 2: Write at least a paragraph answering the following question:

What is Plato's theory of the forms, and does it give an accurate depiction of reality?