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TEN PRINCIPLES FOR USING ICT IN RE

SOME BASIC PRINCIPLES I

- When using ICT start with the Religious Education Aims learning objectives and outcomes and be certain of what you want to achieve in RE terms.
- Make sure you are aware of the ICT skills that you and your pupils need and that you have both these and sufficient troubleshooting skills

SOME BASIC PRINCIPLES II

- Make sure you have a fall back plan if the technology fails
- Be aware of the learning styles (and the teaching styles) that are being employed when using the ICT. Make sure that you offer something for a variety of learning styles and a variety of teaching methods

SOME BASIC PRINCIPLES III

- Motivation should be a reason but not the reason
- ICT should be used to access resources that are enhanced by the medium. These may include diversity, personal viewpoints, authentic voice and multimedia

SOME BASIC PRINCIPLES IV

- ICT should encourage learning from as well as learning about and should provide opportunity for reflection on their own faiths and beliefs
- ICT should encourage discussion, debate and collaboration it should be participative and interactive

SOME BASIC PRINCIPLES V

- Be aware of the amount of effort that teaching and learning will involve - ask if this is the best way to teach this aspect of the curriculum
- Use ICT to take part into continuing professional development and become part of the community of practice.