Religious Education key words for GCSE

Over the summer, learn these definitions for the key words you will need to tackle in the first term of your GCSE RE. Your teacher may test you in September!

The Trinity	God as one being in three persons; the father, the son, the holy spirit.
Creation	The belief that God created the universe.
Incarnation	God becomes a human being - Jesus Christ.
Salvation	Being saved from sin and the consequences of sin; going to heaven.
Evil	The opposite of good, causing pain and suffering.
Messiah	Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah - the saviour.
Sin	Anything which prevents a relationship with God, either because the person does something they shouldn't or doesn't do something they should.
Resurrection	Rising from the dead. Also the view that after death, God creates a new body in a heavenly place.
Atonement	Restoring a relationship - Jesus' death restores the relationship between God and humans.
Justice	Doing what is right and fair based on the law.
Atheist	Someone who does not believe in God.
Punishment	Imposing a penalty on someone for doing something wrong.
Capital Punishment	The death penalty.
Reformation	Changing something or someone for the better.
Rehabilitation	Restoring someone back to a law-abiding life.
Retribution	Punishment given in revenge for a wrong that has been done.