

Course Title:

The ‘Essay Question’ in Junior Certificate Religious Education: an approach

Descriptor: This course introduces some of the past examination questions from Section 5 of the Higher Level paper, Junior Certificate Religious Education. Questions will be explored with a view to achieving greater understanding of appropriate course content which may be explored by students in answering such questions. Working examples of students’ work will be used as a basis for exploring common approaches to tackling the ‘Essay Question’ and some apparent pitfalls.

Particular emphasis will be placed on

- literacy comprehension strategies,
- exploration of key concepts and
- other literacy strategies (e.g. use of graphic organizers and mind-maps) as avenues for approaching these types of thinking, understanding and writing skills.

Certificates of participation will be available to teachers attending this course.

Target Audience: This course targets the needs of all teachers who are preparing students for examination in Junior Certificate Religious Education.

Booking: Download the *Registration Form for R.E. Courses* from the ‘Latest Notices’ section of the homepage of our website: www.ress.ie or photocopy and use the course registration form available in this booklet. Completed registration forms should be sent by post or fax to Angela Thompson, R.E. Administrator, at least one week in advance of the workshop. Early booking is advisable.

Date	Time	Venue
13 th March 2012	5-7pm	Blackrock Education Centre
14 th March 2012	7-9pm	Athlone Education Centre
15 th March 2012	7-9pm	Kildare Education Centre
15 th March 2012	7-9pm	Kilkenny Education Centre
20 th March 2012	7 – 9pm	Drumcondra Education Centre

