

## **Subject Level Descriptor**

Department	Philosophy and Ethics	Year Group	Y8	Assessment	Modern Religious Leaders
Assessment Summary	Students have been considering different modern religious leaders and their contribution towards protecting human rights. In this assessment, they are asked to write an essay on: 'Mandela did the most for human rights. Discuss.' In this, they should refer to two or more modern religious leaders (such as Malala, Gandhi, or the Dalai Lama).				

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Level 1	Students give <b>basic descriptions</b> of arguments for and/or against the statement and do not explain the arguments or use examples to add detail. Students <b>tend to just describe Mandela's life</b> and do <b>not reference which human rights</b> he fought for. Personal conclusion lacks explanation or is missing altogether.
Level 2	Students give basic descriptions of arguments for and/or against the statement although there is some evidence of students explaining these arguments further, possibly using examples. Students have provided a good overview of Mandela's life and linked his work to human rights. Personal conclusion is included but brief and not well explained.  Students cannot move beyond this point if they have only given one side of the argument.
Level 3	Mostly <b>detailed descriptions</b> of arguments for and against the statement and most arguments are explained in good detail and there is <b>often use of examples</b> . Students have detailed Mandela's life clearly and <b>compared his achievements to at least one other leader</b> . Typically, students have begun to <b>critically analysis Mandela's human rights</b> record. <b>Personal conclusion</b> is included and well explained. <b>Students cannot move beyond this point if they have not provided a <u>personal conclusion</u>.</b>
Level 4	Consistently detailed descriptions of arguments for and against the statement. Arguments are well explained and there is consistent use of examples. Students have made detailed links between Mandela's human rights achievements and evaluated how successful he was at addressing racism. Students have compared his human rights achievements to at least two other leaders. Well structured paragraphs with evidence and explanation throughout. Personal conclusion is very well explained and clearly shows why the position supported is the strongest (i.e. why the opposite argument is weak).
Level 5	Student's response stands out as being one of the <b>best in the class</b> and consistently includes: very detailed descriptions and explanations, accurate information and excellent use of human rights articles. Students has demonstrated excellent knowledge, even drawing upon <b>wider information</b> . Students have <b>critically analysed evidence</b> they have provided which has led to a <b>justified conclusion</b> . Spelling and grammar is excellent throughout.