

Year 7 & 8 Core

Autumn 1 Level Ladder

All students are expected to master at least the Level 4 content by the end of the half term.

Check Arbor or ask your child what their current working and target level is in Core.

Topics: The Ultimate Questions - Key Philosophical Ideas

EG:

4A - mastered all of the Level 4 content

4B - mastered some of the Level 4 content

4C - mastered all of the Level 3 content and beginning to master some Level 4 content.

Level	Sample tasks
3	<p>I have shown I have limited knowledge about my chosen philosopher. Including identifying their name, time period.</p> <p>I can give my own opinion with little or no reasoning.</p> <p>There are some errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG)</p>
4	<p>I have shown I have some knowledge about my chosen philosopher. I have identified key information about them in the "About Me" section. (Philosophical idea)</p>

	<p>I have demonstrated I have an understanding of my chosen topic by summarising the 'big thinking question' or philosophical idea.</p> <p>I can back up my own opinion with one reason.</p> <p>SPaG is reasonably accurate and meaning is clear.</p>
5	<p>I have applied good knowledge about my chosen philosopher buy identifying more than one key philosophical question/idea.</p> <p>I have demonstrated I have a good understanding of my topic by constructing a detailed argument around the idea, giving at least two opposing points of view.</p> <p>I have compared and contrasted the philosopher's idea with my own opinion.</p> <p>SPaG is mostly accurate and appropriate language is used to convey meaning.</p>
6	<p>I have evaluated at least two philosophical ideas.</p> <p>I have created an argument that criticizes the philosophical idea, backed up with some evidence but mostly opinion.</p> <p>I can tell the difference between fact and opinion.</p> <p>I have compared one philosophical idea with another creating a reasonably balanced argument taking in both sides.</p> <p>SPaG is accurate.</p>
7	<p>I can summarize and evaluate 4 or more philosophical ideas in detail.</p> <p>I can compare and contrast 4 or more philosophical ideas whilst expressing my own opinion.</p> <p>I justify my argument by backing up with evidence from lots of sources.</p> <p>I can examine an opposing argument and use this to develop my own knowledge. My argument is well balanced with a strong conclusion.</p>