

Meeting	Junior Cycle RE Development Group Meeting
Date	Sept 7th, 2017
Agenda item 1: Student Voice podcast	A short podcast of students talking about their experience of JC RE was shown. The group found the students' observations and insights very useful and noted that some of the students' critique related to assessment provides an opportunity when we come to consider the CBAs. The students' desire for more active learning and to learn about a range of beliefs was also noted. The podcast also highlighted the importance of having a clear aim and rationale for the new specification.
Agenda item 2: Comment on Background Paper	Comments and suggested amendments to the Background Paper were noted.
Agenda item 3: Aim and Rationale	The group broke into small groups to consider the draft text for the opening statements of the specification: the Rationale and Aim. Some feedback was offered. The group will continue to work on this over the course of DG meetings.
Agenda item 4: Statements of Learning (SOL)	The group considered the connections between the SOL and R.E. and possible Statements of Learning were identified which merit consideration in the specification.
Agenda item 5: Course outline and key skills	It was agreed these items on the agenda would be carried forward to the next meeting
Agenda item 6: Date for next	Wednesday October 4 th , NCCA office