

## 2B.2 CREATION RESOURCE SHEET 5: SCIENCE AND RELIGION: KEY IDEAS

Here are some of the key ideas you have learned from studying Christian beliefs about Creation. They have been mixed up with some views of atheists (people who do not believe God exists) and agnostics (people who believe you cannot know if God exists or not, or people who are undecided).

### Sort the statements

Draw a continuum line: from **All Christians believe...** to **No Christians believe...** Place the statements on the line. There are few definite answers for this, but you need to be able to explain your reasons for where you've placed them on the line.

God is the Creator of the universe.

Science describes the Big Bang as the most likely explanation of the start of the universe.

The narrative in Genesis 1 is true but not literally true: it contains truths about what God is like.

The Genesis narrative is not true: how could light come before the sun? How could the universe be created in six days – it took billions of years!

Genesis 1 is a magnificent poem and describes what some people think about God.

Genesis 1 is an important religious text but it does not describe the way the world actually began.

I believe God created the world from nothing, but not in six days. This poem shows God's power but not God's methods.

Science has all the answers.

Science answers 'how' questions; religion answers 'why' questions.

The universe is an amazing place.

For as long as humans have been around, they have looked for explanations for the world and for life.

Religion is make-believe.

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