

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER – Sanctity of Life

Key terms:

Capital Punishment – the death penalty the legal killing of someone as punishment for a crime

Abolition - the action of getting rid of a system, practice, or institution.

Morality – a set of personal or social standards for good or bad behaviour and character

Moral Absolutism - the belief that certain actions are completely right or wrong

Abortion – the deliberate termination of a human pregnancy.

Euthanasia - intentional ending of the life of a person suffering from an incurable or painful disease at their request

Sanctity of Life - All life is sacred and a gift from God. God gives life and God takes it away.

Genetic Engineering - the process of directly modifying an organism's DNA called

IVF - a fertility treatment that helps people with fertility issues have a baby

Sanctity of life:

Christian teachings on the Sanctity of Life - “All made in the image of God” “You knit me together in my mother’s womb” “I knew you before you were born”

Buddhist view on Sanctity of Life - Life is not created by God therefore it is not sacred. Humans are special though because they been reborn as a human and they are closer to enlightenment.

Humanist view on Sanctity of Life - Humans are special but **not** because they were created by God. We have a duty to be kind and compassionate to all humans.

We belong to God, life is not ours to take

God creates life whilst it is in the womb

Can taking a life ever be justified

We must preserve life not destroy it