

Basics:

1. Define Polytheistic
2. Define Monotheistic
3. What do all belief systems have in common?

Animism:

4. Major beliefs?
5. What types of societies practice/practiced Animism?

Shinto: p 324

6. Major beliefs?
7. Where was it founded?

Hinduism: p 78

8. Belief in God(s)?
9. Where was it founded?
10. Major writings?
11. What is the purpose of the caste system in Hinduism?
12. What do Hindus believe happens after death?
13. Define karma and dharma.

Buddhism: p 80

14. Belief in God(s)?
15. Where was it founded and who founded it?
16. Major writings?
17. What do Hindus believe happens after death?
18. What is the purpose of the Four Noble Truths and the Eightfold Path?
19. Define nirvana.

Judaism: p 43

20. Belief in God(s)?
21. Where was it founded and who founded it?
22. Major writings?
23. What do Jewish people believe happens after death?
24. What is the purpose of Ten Commandments?
25. Where do followers of Judaism worship?

Christianity: p144

26. Belief in God(s)?
27. Where was it founded and who founded it?
28. Major writings?
29. What do Christians believe happens after death?
30. What is the purpose of Ten Commandments?
31. Where do followers of Christianity worship?

Islam: p 256

32. Belief in God(s)?
33. Where was it founded and who founded it?
34. Major writings?
35. What do Muslims believe happens after death?
36. What is the purpose of Five Pillars?
37. Where do followers of Islam worship?

Confucianism: p 90

38. Major beliefs?
39. Where was it founded and who founded it?
40. Major writings?
41. What are the “five relationships”?
42. Define filial piety

Taoism/Daoism: p 91

43. Major beliefs?
 44. Where was it founded and who founded it?
 45. Major writings?
 46. Define yin and yang.
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Theme: Belief Systems

Societies select beliefs systems to help them explain the world. Their founding greatly influences the traditional practices they adhere to.

Task:

- Select two belief systems and for each:
 - Identify two belief systems along with their founder(s).
 - Describe the important beliefs for each system chosen.
 - Compare and contrast the two systems selected.

You may discuss any other belief systems from your study of global history, except the United States. Some belief systems you may wish to consider may include Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, and Judaism.