

# AP Human Geography

## Chapter 7 Guided Reading – 1<sup>st</sup> Half

### Dying and Resurrecting

1. Why were the churches in ruins in the area that was the former Soviet Union?
2. Why did the government of the former Soviet Union choose an official policy of atheism?
3. How did officials do #2 above?
4. What did the Soviet Union do in Islamic areas? (Who did it tolerate?)
5. How did these Soviet policies impact religion?
6. Describe the divide and diminish plan.
7. What happened when the Republics became independent states?
8. What did the Russian Orthodox church do in 1996? Why did they do this?

### What is Religion and What Role Does it Play in Culture?

9. What two areas of human geography lie at the foundations of culture?
10. Do religions change over time?
11. How can people's religious beliefs change by interactions with others?
12. Through \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, religions of the world have diffused across cultural barriers and language boundaries.
13. What are some things in cultural landscapes that are markers of religions?

14. What else in the cultural landscape could show prevailing religious views?
15. How can modes of dress and personal habits reflect religious views?
16. How do Stoddard and Prorak define religion?
17. How do people's actions reflect their religious beliefs? (should and shouldn't do)
18. What may religious rituals mark?
19. What now prevails in some societies?
20. What is the meaning of the term in #12?

### **Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism, Taoism, Confucianism**

21. Define monotheistic, polytheistic, and animistic.
22. What two religions have the greatest number of believers today?
23. Why should you be cautious when looking at maps of world religions?
24. What is a universalizing religion? Give an example.
25. What is an ethnic religion? Give two examples.
26. Where does Hinduism rank as a world religion?
27. When and where is Hinduism believed to have originated?
28. List three ways that Hinduism is unique among world religions.

29. Where is Hinduism the primary religion today? Name one of its sacred sites.
30. What do Hindus consider to be their primary god?
31. Is Hinduism a universalizing religion? Why is this?
32. What is the Veda? Describe it.
33. Describe the beliefs of Karma and reincarnation.
34. Describe the caste system and the untouchables.
35. Describe the diffusion of Hinduism. What contributed to weakening the caste barriers?
36. When Hindus migrate, their religion does not spread widely. Why is this?
37. About when did Buddhism separate from Hinduism?
38. What was the major question that led to the development of Buddhism?
39. Who is the founder of Buddhism?
40. What does *Buddha* mean?
41. According to Buddha, who can reach salvation?
42. How does one gain enlightenment?
43. What did Emperor Asoka do?
44. What do Theravada Buddhists claim is the way to salvation?

45. What do Mahayana Buddhists say this the way to salvation?
46. Where is Zen Buddhism prevalent?
47. Why has Buddhism suffered in Southeast Asia?
48. What religion focuses mostly on nature and ancestor worship? Where is it practiced today?
49. What did the emperor of Japan do for Shintoism in the 19<sup>th</sup> century?
50. What did Japan do to Shintoism after WWII?
51. When did Confucius live?
52. Where did Confucius believe that the real meaning of life lay?
53. What did Confucius do for people of China?
54. What were the Confucian Classics and what where they used for in China?
55. Where did Confucianism move to?
56. What did the communist government attempt to do to religion in China?
57. How were suitable gravesites determined in China? What did the communist government do to the gravesites? How did people react?
58. How is Feng Shui influencing burials in Hong Kong? Why is this?

## **Where Did the Major Religions of the World Originate and How do Religions Diffuse?**

59. About when did Judaism begin?

60. Where is the hearth of Judaism?

61. Why are the teachings of Abraham important to the Jewish people?

62. Why did Moses lead the Jews from Egypt to Canaan?

63. What were the two civilizations that conquered Israel and Judah?

64. About 70 C.E., what power destroyed Jerusalem scattering adherents?

65. What countries and continents is Judaism found in today?

66. What did the orthodox movement want to do?

67. What is the diaspora?

68. Where did the Ashkenazim go?

69. Where were the Sephardim?

70. What happened to the Ashkenazim and the Sephardim over the centuries?

71. What is the idea of Zionism?

72. What effect did WWII have on the idea of Zionism?

73. What happened in 1948?

74. Where is the hearth of Christianity?

75. Why do Christians believe that Jesus was placed on Earth?

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### **Chapter 7 Guided Reading – 2<sup>nd</sup> Half**

#### **How is Religion Seen in the Cultural Landscape?**

1. Describe ways that religions mark cultural landscapes.
2. What is a pilgrimage?
3. What are sacred sites?
4. What were sacred spaces like to ancient people?
5. How did Roman Catholics change meanings of sacred sites in Ireland when Catholicism diffused there?
6. In continental Europe, what were brought to places to give places sacred meanings?
7. Where are Bear Butte and Devil's Tower? What do different groups of people use these places for?

8. What religious groups consider Jerusalem to be sacred?
9. Why is the Wailing Wall (Western Wall) one of the most sacred sites to Jews?
10. Why do Christians believe Jerusalem to be sacred?
11. Why do Muslims believe Jerusalem to be sacred?
12. What is the Dome of the Rock?
13. Why do Hindus believe the location of shrines is important?
14. Why do Hindus believe shrines should be near water?
15. What is the significance of the Bodh Gaya in India?
16. Why do Buddhists make pilgrimages to this?
17. What is a Buddhist Shrine called?
18. Why is the pagoda shape important to Buddhists?
19. How do Hindus, Buddhists, and Shintoists deal with deceased bodies?
20. Describe the role of the cathedral, church, or monastery in medieval Europe.



21. What do Christians traditionally do with deceased bodies?
22. How do Christian cemeteries reflect class differences?
23. Using map 7.26 describe the 10 religious regions. Which religions are located where for the colored areas. Use the back side if you run out of room.
24. What happens in a Muslim minaret?
25. Why do Muslim buildings use geographic forms and calligraphy instead of human shapes to decorate their holy places?
26. What does Muslim architecture represent?
27. What is the hajj?
28. Why have people been trampled to death during the hajj?

### **What Role does Religion Play in Political Conflicts?**

29. Some of the most destructive conflicts have pitted \_\_\_\_\_ against \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ against \_\_\_\_\_.
30. Define interfaith boundaries
31. What can happen in countries that have interfaith boundaries within the country?

32. What is an intrafaith boundary? How is it different than an interfaith boundary?
33. After WWI the League of Nations recognized what country as having control of Palestine?
34. What faith were the majority of people living in Palestine?
35. What did the British want to do in Palestine?
36. Did #7 happen peacefully?
37. What did the United Nations do after British control of Palestine ended after WWII? (1949)
38. What did surrounding Arab states (countries) do when Israel was created?
39. What did Palestinians do as a consequence of the new Israeli state?
40. What war happened in 1967 and what did the international community call these lands?
41. The West Bank refers to the west bank of the Jordan River. What did Israelis do there? What did they do to the Palestinian houses there?
42. Does the Israeli government let Palestinians build homes anywhere they want to?

43. In the mid-1990s what happened to allow Palestinians more self-government?
44. What happened in 1995 and 2000 regarding the creation of a Palestinian state?
45. What did Israel do in Sept. of 2005? How did the Palestinians living in Gaza react to this?
46. What happens when some Palestinians attack the people of Israel?
47. What happened as Islam diffused into North Africa to the Amharics (Coptic Christians)
48. Why did Eritreans not want to be controlled by Ethiopians?
49. What did the Ottoman Turks do in the 1300's? (religion)
50. How did #21 affect interfaith boundaries in the former Yugoslavia?
51. Explain the concepts of genocide and ethnic cleansing.
52. Describe who committed the genocide in the former Yugoslavia and why.
53. What did the Serbs do to the Kosovo Albanians in 1999? Why did this happen?

54. How did the British treat Irish Catholics during the colonial period of Ireland?
55. What did Britain do to Ireland in 1922?
56. What religion is the majority in the Ireland? What religion is the majority in Northern Ireland?
57. How did the Catholics in Northern Ireland feel about #28?
58. Who are the IRA? (What kind of group?)
59. What agreement happened in 1998?
60. What is happening to the demographics of Northern Ireland? What group is having more children? Who is now the majority?
61. Describe religious fundamentalism.
62. Explain religious extremism.
63. Describe 3 aspects of Christian fundamentalism.
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64. Which way do fundamentalist Jews in Israel tend to vote?

65. Describe the Shari'a Laws

66. What happened when the Shah of Iran tried to limit the power of the imams? (Remember that Shi'ite Muslims believe the imams are perfect beings.)

67. What happened to women of Iran that wanted to dress in Western (American-like) clothing?

68. When did the Taliban regime seize control of Afghanistan?

69. What did the Taliban do to all statues, followers of Hinduism, and women.

70. What is a jihad?

71. What has been Osama bin Laden's role in terrorist activities?

72. What are the three primary things that Islamic extremists are concerned with?