**India Study Guide**

1. Why was India so difficult throughout history to unify?
2. How have the mountains to the North affected the culture of India?
3. Describe the climate of India.
4. How would most scholars describe early Indus civilizations?
5. What important aspect of society did the Aryans bring with them to India?
6. Who were the Untouchables?

**Hindusm**

1. What is the name of God in Hinduism?
2. Why does Hinduism allow people to worship any image of god that they choose?
3. Who are the three devas and what do they represent?
4. Explain Reincarnation using the words **Atman, Dharma, Karma, and Moksha.**
5. Why is the cow worshiped in Hinduism?
6. What are the Vedas, Upanishads, and the Mahabharata?
7. What is the Talik?
8. Explain the relationship between Reincarnation and the Caste System.
9. What is the name for the top of the Caste System?
10. What is the central premise of Jainism?

**Buddhism**

1. Who was the founder of Buddhism?
   1. What was his life like before he became the Buddha?
   2. What did he see that changed his life?
2. What does it mean to be “The Buddha”?
3. What are the four noble truths?
4. The Eight fold path described as following what?
5. What is the ultimate goal of a Buddhist? How do they achieve this goal?
6. What are the three Buddhist sects and how are they different?

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1. Who is the leader of the Tibetan Buddhists?

**British Imperialism**

1. Which important trade item of India was sought by the British?
2. What was the name of the company set up to protect the British trade in India?
3. What was so unique about this company that you would not expect to find in most companies?
4. What was the name of the Indian troops employed by the companies?
5. What rumored action taken by the BEIC led to the Sepoy Rebellion? Why were these troops so upset by the rumored actions?
6. What was the outcome did the Sepoy rebellion have on the British Government?
7. What promises were made by India and Britain during WWI? What was the outcome of these promises?
8. Where was Mohandas Gandhi educated and what did he study?
9. What happened in South Africa that changed Gandhi’s life?
10. What law did Gandhi lead a resistance against in South Africa? Explain the law.
11. What were the three components of Gandhi’s movement for independence in India?
12. What action did Gandhi take in order to keep his own people from committing violence?
13. What were two titles given to Gandhi and what do they mean?
14. What happened at the Amritsar Massacre?
15. What was the Salt March?
16. Who assassinated Gandhi and why?
17. How did Britain decide which provinces would be part of India and which provinces would be part of Pakistan?
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    1. Who was the first leader of India?
    2. What type of government did he propose?
    3. What areas of the economy did he propose to be nationalized?
    4. What areas of the economy did he propose to be private?
    5. What was his views on India’s foreign policy?
19. Who served as India’s Prime Minister for much of the time between 1966-1984? What happened to her?
20. Who was Mother Theresa? What was her goal in life? What law was she able to get changed?
21. Who was the first leader of Pakistan?
22. What area of India has been the site of continuous conflict since 1949?
23. What country broke away from Pakistan in 1971?
24. Explain the relationship between India and Pakistan and why this relationship remains in the worlds spotlight.