**Judaism**

1. Who was founder of the Religion?
2. What is the name of God?
3. When was the religion founded?
4. What is a covenant, and what covenant did Jews make with God?
5. How do Jews identify themselves?
6. What are the holy books of Judaism?
7. What are prophets?
8. What are the tree sects of Judaism? Label them as most conservative and most liberal.
9. What are the symbols of Judaism?
10. What is the holiest site in Judaism, and what city is it in?

**Christianity**

1. Who is the founder of the religion?
2. Who founded the religion?
3. What are the major books of the religion?
4. What types of stories are used to teach Christianity’s message?
5. What are the two main messages of the religion?
6. What symbols does the religion use?
7. What are the major holidays of the religion?
8. What are the holiest sites and cities in the religion?

**Islam**

1. Who is the founder of the religion?
2. What is the name of God?
3. What does it mean to be Mulsim?
4. What are the three holiest cities in Islam in order?
5. What is the holiest site in Islam?
6. What is the holiest site in Islam not located in Saudi Arabia?
7. What is the name of the holy book of the religion?
8. What are the five pillars of Islam?
9. What is Jihad and what are the two types?
10. What are they symbols of Islam?
11. Who did the Sunni and Shia support as the first Caliph?
12. What percentage of Muslims do Sunni and Shia make up?
13. What country stands as the predominant Sunni power?
14. What country stands as the predominate Shia power?
15. What other country has a majority Shia population?
16. What sect of the religion is considered the mystics?
17. What extremely orthodox sect of Sunni Islam is practiced by the majority of Saudis?

**Colonialism and Nationalism in the Middle East**

1. What empire controlled much of the Middle East and North Africa prior to WWI?
2. What British Adventurer helped lead the overthrow of said empire during WWI?
3. What three countries in the Middle East were granted independence immediately following WWI?
4. What was the title of the ruler of Iran from 1953-1979, who was supported by the United States and Great Britain?
5. Following this man’s overthrow, who became the leader of Iran?
6. What is the state of Iran-US relationships today?
7. Which two countries took “mandates” in the Middle East following WWI?
8. What are the three predominate ethnic/religious groups in Iraq?
9. To which of these groups did Britain give power upon Iraqi independence? Why?
10. What brutal dictator took power in Iraq in 1979?
11. What country did Iraq go to war with from 1980-1988?
12. What group of people did Iraq use Sarin gas on in 1988?
13. What country did Iraq invade in 1990?
14. How did the United States respond to this invasion?
15. What happened to Iraq and the brutal dictator in 2003?
16. What argument do Palestinians have for why there should not have been a creation of an Israeli state?
17. What argument do Jews have for why there should have been a creation of an Israeli state?
18. What solution did the United Nations come up with in 1947 regarding Israel and Palestine?
19. What was the outcome of the three Arab-Israeli Wars in 1948, 1967 (Six Days War), and 1969 (Yom Kippur War)?
20. What three men (American; Israeli; Egyptian) mett in 1979 at the Camp David Accords?
21. What was the outcome of the Camp David Accords?

**ISIS and Islamic Terrorism**

1. What are three reasons for anger towards the United States by Middle Easterners?
2. What terrorist group was created by Osama Bin Laden with the goal of punishing the United States?
3. What historic attack did they carry out?
4. What occurred during the 2010 Arab Spring?
5. What was the outcome of the Arab Spring?
6. Who is the leader of Syria?
7. Why does the leader of Syria share some responsibility in the creation of ISIS?
8. What brutal actions has the leader of Syria taken over the past three years?
9. What three acronyms does ISIS use and what do they mean?
10. What is the goal of ISIS?

**India**

1. What is the best reason why India was so difficult to unify throughout history?
2. How did the mountains to the North affect Indian Culture?
3. How would we describe the climate of India?
4. The early Indus Valley civilizations could best be described as…
5. What was the most influential cultural aspect that the Aryans brought with them to India?
6. What important social aspect did the Aryan’s bring to India?
7. What is the name of God in Hinduism?
8. Why is Hinduism often believed to be a Polytheistic religion?
9. Why is the cow worshiped in the Hindu religion?
10. Explain reincarnation using the terms Atman, Karma, Dharma, Moksha.
11. What are the original texts of Hinduism?
12. What epic Hindu poem explains the importance of Dharma?
13. What is a Talik?
14. If a boy is born into a family of sewage cleaners (a bad job), what can we assume according to Hinduism?
15. Those who have reincarnated into the top caste enjoy what title?
16. What is the central premise for the Jain religion?
17. What does it mean that Siddhartha became the Buddha?
18. What are the four noble truths?
19. Buddha described the eight fold path as…
20. What is Nirvana?
21. What are the three sects of Buddhism?
22. Which of the sects of Buddhism believes the Dali Llama is the reincarnation of an ancient god?
23. What was so unique about the British East Indian Company?
24. For what reason did so many English citizens seek employment in the BEIC?
25. What was the name for Indian troops working for the BEIC?
26. What lead to the Sepoy Rebellion?
27. In what two ways did the BEIC involvement in South Asia help India?
28. Who were 3 prominent leaders in India’s Independence Movement?
29. What degree did Gandhi earn in England?
30. What event changed Gandhi’s life and moved him to protest for civil rights?
31. What law did Gandhi protest in South Africa?
32. What were the main ideas of Gandhi’s Movement?
33. What were the two titles names given to Gandhi?
34. How did Britain base its decision on which countries would be part of India and which would be part of Pakistan?
35. Who was Indira Gandhi and what happened to her?
36. Explain Bangladesh’s history.

**China**

1. What name do Chinese refer to themselves as?
2. What are the two major rivers that supply China with the majority of its water?
3. Explain the mandate of heaven.
4. What is the capital of China?
5. Chinese religion is primarily focus to reverence and worship to whom?
6. Explain the dynastic cycle.
7. What are the four ideas of Confucianism?
8. What term means to obey your parents under all circumstances?
9. Describe the relationships that Confucius gives as examples.
10. According to Daoism, What does Wu Wei mean?
11. According to Daoism, What does Pu mean?
12. Explain legalism.
13. What was the purpose of the Great Wall?
14. What was the purpose of the Terra Cotta army?
15. What is the imperial city?
16. What was the purpose of the Queue?
17. China in the 1800’s could best be describe as…
18. What did Britain begin selling in China in order to balance trade with them and China?
19. What was the importance of the Taiping Rebellion?
20. What where spheres of influence? What countries had them?
21. What was the “Open Door Policy”? What country proposed it?
22. The “Society of the Harmonious Fists” believed that they could defeat the foreigner by…
23. What is the most important significance of the Boxer Rebellion?
24. Who was the leader of the Nationalists in China and who was the leader of the Communists?
25. What tactics did Mao use against the Nationalists? Describe it.
26. Describe the Long March and its significance.
27. What temporarily halted the Chinese Civil War in 1937?
28. Where did the Nationalist forces fled to in 1949?
29. What was the outcome of the Great Leap Forward
30. Explain the Permanent Revolution
31. How did Mao use the “Four Olds” to his advantage
32. What was the “Little Red Book?
33. What happened at Tiananmen Square in 1989?
34. What are the advantages and disadvantages to China’s “one child policy?”
35. What methods does China use to keep control of its people

**Identify the people and places, and explain their significance**

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| 1. Mao Zedong |  |
| 1. Henry Pu Yi |  |
| 1. Chang Kai-Shek |  |
| 1. Indira Gandhi |  |
| 1. Muhammad Ali Jinnah |  |
| 1. Jawaharlal Nehru |  |
| 1. Mother Teresa |  |
| 1. Kashmir |  |
| 1. Bangladesh |  |
| 1. Calcutta |  |