

UNIT QUESTIONS

WORLD RELIGIONS

ANIMISM

General Understanding

Explain the reasons for the development of animistic religions.

Describe the basic beliefs of a follower of animism.

Describe rituals associated with animism.

Societal Implications

How did a society's belief in animism affect the political, economic, and social development of the time?

How have the beliefs of followers of animism been affected by the introduction of Christianity into Latin America and Africa?

How have the beliefs of followers of animism been affected by the introduction of Islam into Africa?

ZOROASTRIANISM

General Understanding

Explain the reasons for the development of Zoroastrianism as a religion.

Describe the basic beliefs of a follower of Zoroastrianism.

Describe rituals associated with Zoroastrianism.

Societal Implications

How did the beliefs of Zoroastrian followers affect the political, economic, and social development of Persia?

How did Zoroastrian beliefs influence the development of other religions?

HINDUISM

General Understanding

Explain the reasons for the development of Hinduism as a religion.

Describe the basic beliefs of a follower of Hinduism.

Describe rituals associated with Hinduism.

Explain the polytheistic and monotheistic aspects of Hinduism.

Describe the factors that account for the non-expansion of Hinduism much beyond the borders of India.

Explain the impact of Buddhism on Hindu thought and practice.

Explain how Jainism differs from the other major religions of India.

Societal Implications

How did the beliefs of Hinduism's followers affect the political, economic, and social development of India?

Why has Hinduism usually been so accepting of other religions?

How does the belief in reincarnation change the everyday life of Hindu believers?