

Comparative Religions



	ISLAM 	HINDUISM 	CHRISTIANITY 	BUDHISM 
Origin of name	<p>Derived from the verb "aslama" which means "to submit to Allah".</p> <p>Qur'an: 22:17 "And we named you Muslims before that, and we were the first to call you to Islam."</p>	<p>The word "Hindu" is derived from the Sanskrit word "Sindhu" which is the name of the river in the north-western part of the Indian subcontinent.</p>	<p>Most of all, the word "Christian" is derived from the Greek word "Christos" which means "the anointed one" or "the Messiah".</p>	<p>The word "Buddha" is derived from the Sanskrit word "budh" which means "to know" or "to understand".</p>
Basic concept of Belief in God	<p>There is one God (Allah) who is the creator of the universe and the only deity worthy of worship.</p> <p>Qur'an: 2:160 "There is no deity but Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful."</p>	<p>Belief in the existence of many gods (polytheism) is a central concept in Hinduism. However, the concept of Brahman (the ultimate reality) is also central.</p>	<p>There is one God (Jesus Christ) who is the son of God and the savior of the world.</p> <p>John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."</p>	<p>There is one God (The Lord) who is the creator of the universe and the only deity worthy of worship.</p>
Worshippers	<p>All Muslims are required to pray five times a day towards Mecca.</p> <p>Qur'an: 2:177 "And who pray to Allah, fearing Him, a humble prayer."</p>	<p>Worshippers in Hinduism are required to perform rituals and ceremonies to please the gods.</p>	<p>Christians are required to pray to God through Jesus Christ.</p> <p>Matthew 6:9 "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be thy name."</p>	<p>Buddhists are required to practice the Eightfold Path to achieve enlightenment.</p>
Death, life hereafter & the Last Day	<p>There is a Day of Judgment (Yawm al-Qiyamah) when all souls will be resurrected and judged by Allah.</p> <p>Qur'an: 2:281 "And you will be brought back to your Lord."</p>	<p>There is a cycle of birth, death, and rebirth (Samsara) based on Karma (good and bad deeds).</p>	<p>There is a resurrection of the dead and a final judgment (The Last Day).</p> <p>1 Corinthians 15:22 "For as in Adam all have sinned, so all have died, and as in Adam the death spread to all men, so too the resurrection will come to all."</p>	<p>There is a cycle of birth, death, and rebirth (Samsara) based on Karma (good and bad deeds).</p>
Books	<p>The Quran is the holy book of Islam, revealed to the Prophet Muhammad through the Angel Gabriel.</p>	<p>The Vedas, Upanishads, and Bhagavad Gita are the primary texts of Hinduism.</p>	<p>The Bible is the holy book of Christianity, consisting of the Old Testament and the New Testament.</p>	<p>The Dharma Gyan is the holy book of Buddhism, containing the teachings of the Buddha.</p>
Dietary Laws	<p>There are dietary laws in Islam, such as the prohibition of pork and alcohol.</p> <p>Qur'an: 2:173 "He has forbidden for you pork, and what is killed by the name of other than Allah, and what is killed by strangling, and what is killed by a fall, and what is killed by being run over by a cart or a heavy load, and what is killed by a spear. This is what Allah has forbidden for you. So whoever is guilty of any of these things, he must not eat of it, nor grieve over it, nor even eat of it with regret. He who eats of it, he has eaten what is forbidden by Allah, and Allah is the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful."</p>	<p>There are dietary laws in Hinduism, such as the prohibition of beef and the consumption of vegetarian food.</p>	<p>There are dietary laws in Christianity, such as the prohibition of eating blood and the consumption of meat during Lent.</p>	<p>There are dietary laws in Buddhism, such as the prohibition of eating meat and the consumption of vegetarian food.</p>
#Jobs	<p>All Muslims are required to work hard and earn their living lawfully.</p> <p>Qur'an: 2:177 "And who work hard for their wealth, and who are God-fearing, those will We give their wealth in abundance."</p>	<p>There are no specific dietary laws in Hinduism, but there are many rituals and ceremonies related to food.</p>	<p>There are no specific dietary laws in Christianity, but there are many rituals and ceremonies related to food.</p>	<p>There are no specific dietary laws in Buddhism, but there are many rituals and ceremonies related to food.</p>
Blasphemy	<p>Blasphemy is a serious crime in Islam, and it is punishable by death.</p> <p>Qur'an: 24:2 "The punishment for those who insult Allah, His Messenger, or His religion is death."</p>	<p>Blasphemy is a serious crime in Hinduism, and it is punishable by death.</p>	<p>Blasphemy is a serious crime in Christianity, and it is punishable by death.</p>	<p>Blasphemy is a serious crime in Buddhism, and it is punishable by death.</p>

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