

Chap. 4 Ancient India Study Guide

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Matching

Key Terms

Match each item with the correct statement below.

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| a. ahimsa | f. migrate |
| b. caste | g. missionary |
| c. citadel | h. monsoon |
| d. dharma | i. nirvana |
| e. meditate | j. reincarnation |

- _____ 1. the Hindu idea of nonviolence
- _____ 2. a fortress in a city
- _____ 3. a social class of people
- _____ 4. the religious and moral duties of Hindus
- _____ 5. the lasting peace that Buddhists seek by giving up selfish desires

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- _____ 6. a person who spreads his or her religious beliefs to others
- _____ 7. a strong wind that blows across East Asia at certain times of year
- _____ 8. a lasting peace that Buddhists seek
- _____ 9. to focus the mind inward
- _____ 10. a large landmass that juts out from a continent

Short Answer

Key Concepts

- 11. Why did the people of India depend on the summer monsoon?

- 12. What are the ideas in the Upanishads?

13. In what ways does Hinduism differ from the other major religions?
14. How did India's mountains and surrounding water influence its development?
15. Why is Asoka considered one of India's greatest leaders?
16. Like the Egyptian pharaohs, the Indian emperor Chandragupta believed in what?
17. According to the Hindu belief of reincarnation, faithful followers of Hinduism will...?
18. What are the important achievements of the Maurya Empire in India?
19. What are some important results of the Aryan invasion of India?
20. What happened in the Maurya Empire after Asoka's death?
21. Buddha taught that the cure for human suffering was to do what?
22. How do archaeologists know that Mohenjo-Daro was carefully planned?
23. When the Aryan and Indian cultures blended, what religion resulted?
24. What are two important rivers that start in the Himalaya Mountains?
25. How did the Maurya ruler Asoka think of his people?

Skill: Reading Tables

Study the table below and then answer questions.

Religion	When Founded	Where Founded
Buddhism	c. 525 B.C.	India
Christianity	c. A.D. 30	Southwest Asia
Hinduism	c. 1500 B.C.	India
Islam	c. A.D. 622	Southwest Asia
Judaism	c. 1800 B.C.	Southwest Asia

26. Which two religions were founded in India?
27. How many years passed between the founding of Judaism and Hinduism?
28. What would be a good title for this table?
29. When and where was Islam founded?

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Chap. 4 Essay Questions

1. How were the reigns of Chandragupta and his grandson Asoka similar? How were they different? Give specific examples.

3.) Describe India's caste system and how it related to Hinduism. You do not need to know the names of the castes, but be able to *explain* all of them.