

Where Are Religions Distributed?

• UNIVERSALIZING RELIGIONS

Christianity

1. Give the percentage of the world's Christian population belonging to each of Christianity's three major branches

Roman Catholic -

Eastern Orthodox -

Protestant -

2. Regarding **Eastern Orthodox** churches . . .

- How many **separate churches** are there?
- Which has by far the **largest** membership?

3. What percentage of **Latin Americans** are **Roman Catholic**?

4. Protestants comprise 40% of **North Americans**. List the **five largest denominations** (#5 is a tie) by percentage.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

5. Complete the chart with names of smaller **branches of Christianity** and their **location of concentration**.

Branch of Christianity	Region of predominance

Islam

6. Half of the world's **Muslims** live in the Middle East. The other half live in four countries **outside the Middle East**. List them.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

7. Give the percentage for each of Islam's two great branches:

- **Sunni** -
- **Shia** -

8. Only in three countries do **Shia Muslims** number more than Sunni. List them and give the % Shia.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Buddhism

9. Buddhism is built around “**Four Noble Truths**” as taught by the Buddha. Summarize them.

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

10. Complete this chart dividing Buddhism into its three main branches.

Branch	% of all global Buddhist population	Regions where predominant

11. Why are Buddhists difficult to count?

• **ETHNIC RELIGIONS**

Hinduism

14a. Where are Hindus concentrated? What % of all Hindus live there?

14b. Where are the rest? (include %)

15. Make a note or two (that seem of geographic interest) about each of the following ethnic religions

A. CONFUCIANISM

B. DAOISM

C. SHINTOISM

D. JUDAISM

E. ANIMISM