

6.3

Why Do Religions Organize Space in Specific Patterns?



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Autonomous religion A religion that does not have a central authority but shares ideas and cooperates informally.

Branch A major division within a religion

Cosmogony A set of beliefs concerning the origin of the universe.

Denomination A division of a branch that unites a number of local congregations into a single legal and administrative body.

Ethnic religion A religion that is focused on a single ethnic group (often in a centralized area) that doesn't attempt to appeal to all people

Hierarchical religion A religion in which a central authority exercises a high degree of control.

Lunar calendar A calendar with months that correspond to cycles of moon phases.

Lunisolar calendar A calendar with lunar months that are brought into alignment with the solar year through some process.

Pilgrimage A journey to a location that has religious significance

Solar calendar A calendar that relates to the season or the apparent position of the sun in relation to the stars.

Solstice An astronomical event that happens twice each year, when the tilt of Earth's axis is most inclined toward or away from the Sun, causing the Sun's apparent position in the sky to reach its northernmost or southernmost extreme, and resulting in the shortest and longest days of the year.

Utopian settlement A community built around an ideal way of life, often based on a religion.

Key Issue#: 6.3.1	Name _____ Period _____
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Learning outcome Describe places of worship in various religions

Questions/Main Ideas	Notes
Christian Churches	
Islamic Mosques	
Sikh Gurdwara	
Jewish Synagogues	
Bahai Houses of Worship	
Buddhist Pagodas	
Hindu Temples	
Pause and reflect	What differences appear in the images of Buddhist pagodas and Christian Churches?

Summary	
Questions for class	1.
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Key Issue#: 6.3.2	Name _____ Period _____
Learning Outcome Describe places to which Buddhist and Muslims make pilgrimages	
Questions/Main Ideas	Notes
Pilgrimage	
Holy places in Islam	
Buddhist Shrines	
Pause and reflect	Based on the lives of Buddha and Muhammad what types of sites are likely to be goals of pilgrimage for the followers of a universalizing religion?

Summary	
Questions for class	1.
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Key Issue#: 6.3.3	Name _____ Period _____
Learning Outcome Give examples of religious settlements and of religious toponyms	

Questions/Main Ideas	Notes
Utopian Settlement	Salt Lake City
Religious Place Names	Religious Toponyms
Pause and reflect	What examples of religious toponyms can you find in your community?
Summary	
Questions for class	1.
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6.3.4

Name _____ Period _____

Learning outcome Compare the administration organization of Hierarchical and locally autonomous religions

Questions/Main Ideas	Notes
Autonomous religions	
Local Autonomy in Islam	
Protestant Denominations	
Ethnic Religions	
Hierarchical Religions	Latter-Day Saints

	Roman Catholic Hierarchy
Pause and reflect	What are the different spatial units of administration in the Roman Catholic Church?
Summary	
Questions for class	1.
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Key Issue#: 6.3.5	Name _____ Period _____
Learning Outcome Discuss the importance of the physical geography in ethnic religions.	
Questions/Main Ideas	Notes
Cosmogony	
Hinduism's South Asian Landscape	
Disposing of the dead	<p>Burial</p> <p>Other methods</p>
Pause and Reflect	What are some of the cultural or religious factors that influence methods of disposing of bodies other than burial?
Summary	
Questions for class	1.
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6.3.6

Name _____ Period _____

Learning outcome Understand the roles of holidays and calendars in various religions

Questions/Main Ideas

Notes

Solar Calendar

Lunar Calendar

Lunisolar calendar

Calendar in Religion

	Islam
	Christianity
	Buddhism
	Sikhism
	Bahai
Calendar in Judaism	Passover
	Feast of weeks
	Sukkot
	Rosh Hashanah
Solstice	
Pause and reflect	Why do some religions organize their annual calendars according to the lunar or lunisolar cycle?
Summary	
Questions for class	1.
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