

WORLD RELIGIONS - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Mondays** Winter Counts are due in class.
- Tuesdays** A “partnered” **SHOW & TELL** (20 minutes) of the week's religion. The presentation will be how the religion celebrates **either** (1) **birth**, (2) **death**, (3) **an all-class prayer experience** in the style of that religion, or (4) **a celebration of one feast /holy day**.
- &** Presentation must include the complete ceremony, including prayers and scripture, as appropriate. Additionally, students must also provide a detailed comparison of their assigned religion’s ritual with that of Christianity. To accomplish that, keep in mind how that religion makes use of food, song, dance, dress, art, and objects in its religious ceremonies. These terms will be explained further in class. In general, you must make use of those items in your presentation. **This is not a normal stand-up presentation. You are not merely explaining the ritual; you are transforming the room & yourselves into an experience of that religion; you are acting out the complete religious ceremony!!!!**
- Wednesdays**
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- Thursdays** Grading will be on an **individual basis**. **Sign-up sheets will be posted in the next couple of days – first come, first served.**

It is your responsibility to work together with your partner and present a balanced project. **Grades will be based on how well you present all the required elements, creativity and accuracy of facts, and how well you share equally the presentation and get the class actively participating.** The presentation **must not be a re-statement of the textbook**; it should be fresh and original. If all members are not present for the presentation, the project will be presented the next day (but with a penalty of 1 letter grade). There will be no other exceptions. Failure to individually present your share of a group project earns a grade of "0". You and your partner must meet with Mr. Frere sometime the week before your presentation (no meeting = no presentation); at that time, you must turn in a **typed bibliography** (at least 5 resources used in creating the project) and a **detailed typed outline of your presentation** including individual responsibilities; failure to do so will result in a reduction of one letter grade or cancellation of the presentation.

BE ACCURATE. BE COMPLETE. BE REVERENT & RESPECTFUL

- Thursdays** An individual project is due from all (except that week's small group presenters). In general, you will turn in an example of a religious symbol for that week's religion. You will turn in a photo/copy of the symbol along with a short explanation (your words) of its meaning.

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

1. **Winter Count** - see separate sheet. It will count towards your Project average.
2. You are strongly encouraged to attend/visit **a religious service/house of worship for the religions that we cover in class**. It may **not** be a service of your own faith and/or a Roman Catholic service. You must provide proof of your church visit; this may include the church “announcer”, a signed letter from the pastor/minister verifying your presence at the religious service, and/or photos. This project will earn extra credit points and it is to your advantage to complete. You will also have the chance to do a number of other extra-credit projects, some of which involve visiting a variety of festivals in the area.
3. **Final** - details will follow. In general, it will have 2 equally weighted parts: a sit-down multiple-choice final exam (10%) and a comprehensive final project (10%).

