**Unit 2 Religions Test Study Guide**

1. Core beliefs of Christianity monotheistic, Jesus is messiah and savior, bible is the holy book, Jerusalem is a holy city, worship in churches
2. Core beliefs of Judaism monotheistic, guided by the Torah (holy book) and the covenant with Abraham (founder), Jerusalem is a holy city
3. Core beliefs of Islam monotheistic, Quran is the holy book, Muhammad is a prhophet of Allah, 5 pillars of Islam, Jerusalem is a holy city
4. Define: Monotheism and Polytheism Monotheism= belief in 1 god; polytheism= belief in many gods
5. Who was Constantine? Roman emperor who stopped the persecution of Christians with the edict of Milan
6. Where did Christianity, Islam, and Judaism all begin? Middle East (southwest Asia)
7. What is the holy book of Christianity, Islam, and Judaism? Christianity-Bible, Islam-Quran(Koran), Judaism- Torah
8. Who founded Christianity, Islam, Judaism? Christianity- Jesus, Islam-Muhammad, Judaism-Abraham
9. Who was Moses and what did he do? Helped led the Jews(Hebrews) out of Egypt to the promise land
10. Major Holidays of Christianity, Islam, and Judaism Christianity- Christmas Easter, Islam-Ramadan, Judaism-**Rosh Hashanah**
11. Which religion believes that Jesus is the Messiah? Christianity
12. What is the main difference between the Sunni and Shi’ite sects of Islam? Sunni believes the leader of Islam should be a leader in the religion, Shi’ite believe it should be a descendent from Muhammad
13. What are the Five Pillars of Islam? Prayer 5 times a day, belief in Allah, fasting, hajj, alms
14. What explains the spread of the Arabic language across North Africa? Islamic conquest of the region resulted in conversion and adoption of Islamic customs
15. What is Zoroastrianism? 1st monotheistic religion
16. Holy cities of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam Jerusalem
17. Define: Covenant agreement
18. Define: Schism spilt or breakup
19. Who was Martin Luther and what is he associated with? Creating Protestantism
20. Who was Confucius? Founder of Confucianism
21. What are the five relationships of Confucianism? ruler to ruled, father to son, husband to wife, elder brother to younger brother, friend to friend.
22. What is Yin and Yang? Confucian teaching of the balance of two forces, yin = Earth, darkness, female, cool, wet, yang = Heaven, light, male, warm, dry
23. What is the civil service examination? An service exam given in china based off of Confucian principles
24. Who was the founder of Buddhism? Siddhartha Gautama
25. What are the 4 Noble Truths? The truth of suffering (dukkha), The truth of the cause of suffering (samudaya), The truth of the end of suffering (nirhodha), The truth of the path that frees us from suffering
26. What is the 8 Fold Path? Know the truth, say nothing to hurt others, practice mediation, control your thoughts, resist evil, respect life, work for the good of others, free your mind of evil
27. What is Nirvana? Enlightenment in Buddhism
28. What is Hinduism? Religion from India that is polytheistic, Ganges is the holy river, cast system
29. What is Samsara, Dharma, Karma, and Moksha? Samsara- reincarnation, Dharma- Moral law, Karma-sum of a person’s action, fate, Moksha- release from the cycle of reincarnation
30. What is the holy river in Hinduism? Ganges
31. What is the caste system? A group you are born into in Hinduism and in India that decides you social standing, job, marriage partner
32. Who is Vishnu? Hindu God- the preserver of the universe and upholds Dharma
33. Where did Hinduism and Buddhism originate from? India
34. What is Shintoism? Ancient Japanese religion
35. What is kami? Japanese gods in Shintoism
36. Where did Shintoism begin and where is it still practiced today? Japan

Short Answer (10 pts):

Choose ONE of the following to answer in a PARAGRAPH or more.

* What are the major similarities and differences between Christianity, Judaism, and Islam? Give at least 2 similarities and 2 differences.
* How are Hinduism and Buddhism similar and different? Give at least 2 similarities and 2 differences.
* Explain the Hindu cycle of reincarnation. Be sure to include the following:
  + Samsara
  + Dharma
  + Karma
  + Moksha