



7.1 Basics of World Faiths

Using various sources I have sought to present some key facts to act as a basic framework especially for 'teachers with other specialisms' (TWOS) to find a starting point for understanding each of the six key world faiths. All Items in bold are to be found in that faith's Glossary which contain further details of these words. If there is an asterisk before the bold type, this is a person who appears in the Biography section at the end of the Glossary section.

This information is taken from numerous sources and is only a short summary, there are many books which offer a fuller explanation. It is important to note that there are a variety of Ideas on some subjects within each faith. Key items included are Founders and Shapers; Succession and Early History; Sacred Texts; Creation stories; Major Festivals; World Situation; Holiest Sites; Barnsley History; Local places of worship; Local population.

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Basics of the Christian Faith

Founders and Shapers The Christian faith follows the teachings of ***Jesus** (of Nazareth), born around 4 BCE, in Bethlehem to the **Virgin Mary**, a descendent of **King David**. The traditional birth stories are often re-enacted in **Nativity** plays.

Following a **Baptism** by ***John the Baptist**, around the age of thirty, for three years he became a wandering teacher, preacher and miracle worker. He gathered followers including Twelve **Apostles** (or disciples). His teachings were one of many nuances within the Jewish faith at

the time. He was proclaimed to be the **Messiah** (or **Christ**), and was crucified in Jerusalem, around 30 **CE**, the re-enactment of these stories are called Passion Plays. Three days later his followers proclaimed his **Resurrection** from the dead.

Fifty days later, these followers were changed by the events of **Whitsun** (occurring on the Jewish festival Of **Pentecost**) and though continuing within the **Jewish** faith preached also the teachings of ***Jesus**, under the leadership, among others of ***Peter**, one of his key disciples.

A Jewish Pharisee by the name of Saul of Tarsus, was converted and changed his name to ***Paul**. He brought the Christian faith to Europe. He founded many churches and wrote letters to them and individuals, these form the majority of the **New Testament**. Thus his teachings on living as Christians have been very influential.

Succession and Early History

Originally a part of the Jewish faith, early debates included whether to be a follower of ***Jesus** you must also become a Jew, it was decided they did not. Gradually non-Jewish members out-numbered Jewish members. At different times in the Roman Empire the Christian faith was tolerated or made illegal and persecuted. The Eastern Roman (Byzantium) Emperor ***Constantine the Great** had a vision of the cross before a battle in 312 **CE**, he converted to the Christian faith and ordered his Empire to the same. He convened the Council of Nicea in 325 **CE**, which clarified the key tenets of the faith in the **Nicene Creed**, including the belief of **God as Trinity**. Eventually, it was declared to be illegal to remain a practicing Jew after converting to Christianity. Jewish Christians became rare and this is still the case.

The **Roman Catholic** and **Orthodox** Churches split in 1054 **CE**, with **Protestant** churches emerging from Catholicism after the **Reformation**, whose founders included ***Martin Luther**. **King *Henry VIII** of England converted his kingdom to Protestantism to gain a divorce.

Sacred Texts The Holy **Bible** is (usually) a collection of 66 'books'. The Jewish **tenakh** as the **Old Testament** (39 'books'), written mainly in Hebrew, and the **New Testament** (27 'books'), written mainly in Greek. The **New Testament**

consists of four life-stories of ***Jesus** (the **Gospels**), an early history (**Acts**), various letters (**Epistles**) and an apocalypse (The Revelation). The official Canon was agreed in 397 **CE** at the Council of Carthage. Some **Bibles** also included books sometimes gathered as the **Apocrypha**. There are many translations and paraphrases currently available. The **Bible** is the most widely owned, sold and translated book in history.

Creation Stories Follows the two key Jewish creation stories (Genesis 1-3), with a pre-creation narrative included at the being of the **Gospel** of ***John** (John 1), stating ***Jesus'** part in this.

Major Festivals **Advent** (Light festival); **Christmas** (***Jesus'** birth celebration); **Lent** (Preparation); **Holy Week** and **Easter** (celebration of ***Jesus'** death and **Resurrection**); **Ascension** and **Pentecost** (the beginnings of the Church) as well as Harvest.

World Situation Currently the world's largest religion, spread throughout the globe, with over 2 billion followers, over half of which are part of the denomination, the **Roman Catholic Church**.



Holiest Sites Most of the sites of ***Jesus** are in the **Holy Land**, modern day Palestine/Israel.

Holy sites otherwise would be the **Vatican City**, centre of the majority **Roman Catholic Church**. British sites would include Canterbury, Iona. Lindisfarne (or Holy Island), Walsingham and Yorkshire's own York Minster, Whitby Abbey and Fountains Abbey.

Barnsley History

Monk Bretton Priory, at Lundwood is a key historical site. Research to validate the position and history of St. Helen's Well continues. Churches of various ages are found throughout Barnsley. The founder of Methodism, the Reverend John Wesley, preached a number of times in Barnsley (including on some steps recently moved to the front of Emmanuel Methodist Church). From one of the early families to follow his teachings and practice, came the Reverend ***James Hudson-Taylor**, founder of the China Inland Mission and probably the most important Christian leader to come from Barnsley.

Local places of worship

There are many churches throughout Barnsley, including **Catholic** Churches and all the key (white-led) Christian **Protestant** denominations. Most are happy to arrange visits for schools.

Local Population

176,856, according to the optional question in the 2001 CE national census, out of a borough population of 218,063.



Basics of the Hindu Dharma

Founders and Shapers

The ancient religion of India, with origins in and around the second millennium **BCE**. It is not a revealed religion in the sense of a single founder, rather a faith that has evolved within a culture.

Succession and Early History

Its diversity and flexibility are probably the keys to its survival for almost 4000 years. Its origins can be traced to a nomadic people of the Central Asian steppes, the **Aryans**. They invaded and ruled northern India. Influential among their people were the priests, the **Brahmins**. One of the key later philosophers was ***Sankara**. ***Ram Mohan Roy** and ***Vivekananda** were all key thinkers in the developments after the influence of the British in India. The most profound influence globally was probably ***Mohandas Gandhi** a Gujarati lawyer whose life and social action led to his receiving the nickname Mahatma ('great soul').

Sacred Texts

The hymns of the **Brahmins**, the **Rig Veda**, over a thousand hymns from the period 1500-1000 **BCE**. Further key texts are the **Brahmanas/Brahma Sutras** and **Upanishads** (of which 108 survive) were developed around 600 **BCE**. The most popular and widely read is the **Bhagavad Gita**, 18 chapters of the epic **Mahabharata**, created around 300 **BCE**.

Creation stories

The creative force within the god **Brahma**, was brought into being and sustained by **Vishnu** and then annihilated by **Shiva**.

Major Festivals

Baisakhi (Harvest/New Year), **Divali** (Light festival), **Holi**. **Kumbh Mela** happens once every 12 years.

World Situation

The main religion within the secular state of India and with a global following of around 900 million.

Holiest Sites

Ganga (The Sacred River Ganges): the cities of **Varanasi** **Vrindavan**, **Haridwar**, **Allahbad**.

Barnsley History and Local places of worship

A number of Hindus are found within the local Indian community, most keeping a shrine in their own homes. Many travel to neighbouring Yorkshire towns for collective worship, as there is no Barnsley **Mandir** (temple). Recently **Divali** lights have been lit in Barnsley town centre.

Local population

172 (Census, 2001 CE)



Basics of Islam

Founders and Shapers

***Muhammad (pbuh)**, the last and greatest of **The Prophets**, was born in **Makkah** in 570 **CE**, into the Hashim clan. His father died before his birth and his mother when he was six. He was cared for by his grandfather and then an uncle. He worked as a caravan manager for a widow, ***Khadija**, who he later married. Around 40 years old he had a vision whilst meditating in a cave, of the **Angel Jibril** giving him words direct from **Allah**. With his subsequent visions these words were later recorded and collected as the **Qur'an**.

Around 613 **CE**, ***Muhammad (pbuh)** began to share these teachings. He fled from **Makkah** in 622 **CE**, in the **Hijra**, which is used as the basis of the **Islamic** calendar, as 1 **AH**. He fled to **Yathrib**, which became **al-Madinah** (City of the **Prophet**). A war continued between **Makkah** and **al-Madinah** until ***Muhammad (pbuh)** led a large army to **Makkah** in 630 **CE**.



Two years later he returned to **Makkah** on a pilgrimage, before dying there a few months later.

Succession and Early History

Plotting its succession through the Jewish and Christian faiths, which it regards as having deviated from the true faith. Its **Prophets** include ***Adam**, ***Ibrahim (Abraham)**, ***Musa (Moses)**, ***Dawud (David)** and ***Isla (Jesus) (pbut)**.

From the seventh century **CE**, it developed in Arabia. After the death of **The Prophet *Muhammad (pbuh) *Abu Bakr** became his successor, the **Khalifah of Makkah**.

Around 661 **CE** (39 **AH**) the **Muslim** world divided following the murder of ***Ali (RAA)** 4th successor of **The Prophet**, but also the son-in-law of ***Muhammad (pbuh)**. The followers of ***Ali**, regarded by them as the first true followers are known as **Shi'ite Muslims**. The majority of **Muslims** worldwide however are **Sunni Muslims**. **Islam** quickly spread through the Middle East, North Africa and into the Iberian Peninsula.

Sacred Texts

The Holy **Qur'an**, the Words of **Allah**. Given through the **Angel Jibril** to **The Prophet *Muhammad (pbuh)**, from around 610 **CE**, but received by **Muslims** as the direct word of God. Written in Classical Arabic and publicly read as such, according to tradition it has remained totally unchanged. It contains 114 chapters or **Sûrah**s. Some **Muslims** use translations for private use.

Creation stories

Hinted at in the **Qur'an**, with references such as **Sûrah** 13.

Major Festivals

Ramadan (Time of Fasting), **Eidul-Fitr** (Festival to break the fast).

World Situation

Over 1 billion followers, making it the world's second largest faith. Predominantly in the Middle East, northern Africa and Indonesia, many of which countries are

constituted as **Islamic** states. **Muslims** are now spread throughout most countries of the world.

Holiest Sites

The **Ka'bah**, in the **Grand Mosque at Makkah**; **al-Madinah**; the Dome of the **Rock Mosque** in **Jerusalem** (on the site of the Jewish Temple).

Barnsley History and Local places of worship

The first Barnsley Mosque was burnt down in an arson attack soon after opening, a new Mosque and Community Centre then opened on Dodworth Road, Barnsley. **Local population** 505 (Census, 2001 **CE**).



Basics of the Jewish Faith

Founders and Shapers

About 2000 **BCE** Abram, later ***Abraham**, and his wife Sarah (Sarah) left Ur on the River Euphrates, in modern day Iraq, and following the sweep of the 'Fertile Crescent' entered the **Promised Land** of Canaan, in modern day Palestine / Israel. ***Abraham** was succeeded by a son, ***Isaac**, who in turn was succeeded by a son ***Jacob**, who changed his name to ***Israel**. He had twelve sons, the heads of the **Twelve Tribes of Israel**. The most famous of these was ***Joseph**, who became the chief minister of the Pharaoh of Egypt, and was joined by his family there during a major famine.

Centuries later the Israelites were slaves in Egypt and were led from slavery by ***Moses**, after the first **Pesach**, they escaped across the Reed Sea (an inlet of the Mediterranean) and received two stone tablets containing the **Ten Commandments** from God at a mountain in the Sinai Peninsula. After 40 years wandering the desert (after refusing an earlier entry) they re-entered the **Promised Land**, under ***Moses'**

assistant, ***Joshua**, conquering most of it.

Succession and Early History

Following various battles and leadership from various Judges, ending with the Prophet ***Samuel**. They asked for a King, and after ***Saul**, were succeeded by ***Dawid**, whose symbol **Hagan Dawid**, appears on the modern Israeli flag. ***Dawid** was succeeded by his son ***Solomon**, who built the first great Temple at **Jerand the Jerusalem Talmud** (400 **DCE**), are books of parables of faith, written in Hebrew and Aramaic. They seek to use scripture to analyse everyday situations and problems. They include the **Mishna**, **Rabbinic** commentary on the **Torah**, **Gamara**, legal discussions and **Hagadah**, stories of heroes **usalem**. Following ***Solomon** the kingdom split into two, **Israel**, the northern kingdom based around **Samaria**, and **Judah**, the southern kingdom based around **Jerusalem**. Following the destruction of the two capitals by Assyria (in 722 **BCE**) and Babylon (in 587 **BCE**) the leaders were carried into exile. Some scholars assert that the Jewish faith developed in that period and the subsequent return, during which a second Temple was built.

After Greek and Roman invasions under Alexander the Great (in 333 **BCE**) and General Pompey, the puppet King ***Herod the Great**, built a third Temple. After a rebellion in 66 **CE**, **Jerusalem** and its **Temple** were destroyed in 70 **CE**.

Though synagogues had existed previously, synagogue-based Rabbinic Jewish faith developed in the Diaspora that followed the fall of the Temple. Spanish Rabbi and philosopher Maimondes was a key figure with his Thirteen Principles.

The Jews have a history of persecutions and massacres, including at York in 1190 **CE**. They were expelled from Spain and Portugal in 1492 **CE**. Over six million Jews were murdered in the Shoah (Nazi Holocaust). After



World War Two, a Jewish state, **Israel** was founded in 1948 CE, with many Jews from Europe and around the world moving there.

The faith has **Orthodox**, **Reform** and **Liberal** groupings, the latter two sometimes referred to as **Progressives**.

Sacred Texts

The **Torah** (or teaching), the five books said traditionally to be recorded by ***Moses**. With later writings this forms the **Tenakh (Hebrew Scriptures / Hebrew Bible)**.

The two **Talmuds**, the **Babylonian Talmud** (600 BCE) and the **Jerusalem Talmud** (400 DCE), are books of parables of faith, written in Hebrew and Aramaic. They seek to use scripture to analyse everyday situations and problems. They include the **Mishna**, **Rabbinic commentary on the Torah**, **Gamara**, legal discussions and **Hagadah**, stories of heroes.

Creation stories

Two stories at the start of Genesis (Genesis 1-3), recording the order of creation and the role of humanity in it.

Major Festivals

Pesach (Passover) (commemorating the Exodus from Egypt, around 1250 BCE); **Rosh Hashanah** (celebrating New Year and Creation); **Yom Kippur** (the Day of Atonement); **Sukkot** (Shelters, remembering the time in the desert); **Hanukkah** (Light festival); **Shavuot** (harvest festival), **Purim** (salvation from destruction by Queen Esther). An important remembrance is **Yom Hashoah**. A key to Jewish life is the weekly **Shabbat** (Sabbath - Holy Day) festival.

World Situation

There are about 20 million Jews worldwide.

Holiest Sites

Jerusalem, most notably the Western Wall, part of the Wall of

the second Temple and Temple Mount area (which contains the Muslim Mosque: The Dome of the Rock).

Barnsley History and Local places of worship

There are no Jewish community groups or places of worship in Barnsley, with the major local communities being in Leeds.

Local population

35 (Census, 2001 CE).



Basics of the Sikh Dharam

Founders and Shapers/ Succession and Early History

Founded in the Punjab in India by ***Guru Nanak**, born 1469 CE at Tahwandi Sabo (now called Nankana Sahib). He was born a Hindu, but critical of the practice within the family. He married around the age of 16 a girl called ***Sulakhni**, and they had two sons, ***Sri Chand** and ***Lakhmi Das**. He had a Muslim servant ***Mardana**. One day whilst bathing in a river he disappeared only to reappear three days later, proclaiming, "There is neither Hindu nor Muslim." After travelling to Hindu and Muslim sacred sites, he settled as a peasant farmer in Kartarpur. He built a **dharamsala** (community of buildings) and developed the **Langar** (communal meal). Guru ***Nanak** died in 1539 CE, after naming ***Lehna**, as his successor, he became Guru ***Angad**.

Guru *Angad developed the Gurmukhi script and collected **Guru *Nanak's** hymns. He was succeeded by eight more human Gurus: **Guru *Amar Das**, **Guru *Ram Das**, **Guru *Arjan**; **Guru *Harobind**; **Guru *Har Rai**; **Guru *Har Krishnan**; **Guru *Tegh Bahadur** and then his son, **Guru *Gobind Singh**. After his father was murdered when he was nine, he established an armed town,

Paunta. From this base the **Sikh** faith was maintained and the **Khalsa** (community of initiated Sikhs) was established.

Sacred Texts

The **Guru *Granth Sahib**, the current Guru, containing the words of the first ten **Gurus**. Written in the **Gurmukhi** script developed by **Guru *Angad**, it contains 5,894 hymns and verses. All copies are identical containing 1,430 pages. On special occasions it is read from beginning to end, taking around 48 hours.

Major Festivals Balsakhi

(Harvest / New Year), **Diwali** (Light festival), **Hola Mohalia**, when tests of skill and mock battles are held, as well as the birthdays of the **Gurus**, most notably the birthday of **Guru *Nanak**.

World Situation There are approximately 15 million **Sikhs** world-wide. The **Sikh** heartland, the **Punjab** is split by the India / Pakistan border. **Sikhs** are largely found in the Indian populations of Britain, Canada and East Africa. This includes around 500,000 in Britain.

Holiest Sites

The Golden Temple at Amritsar (whose foundation stone was laid by Muslim saint, Mian Mir, and built by **Guru *Arjan**): **Takht Patna Sahib**; **Anandpur** and **Takht Sri Hazur**.

Barnsley History and Local places of worship

A number of **Sikhs** are found within the local Indian community, with many travelling to neighbouring towns for collective worship.

There are no local **Gurdwara**, with most local **Sikhs** travelling into Sheffield. Recently lights for **Diwali** have been lit annually in Barnsley town centre.

Local population

181 (Census, 2001 CE).



Basics of the Way of the Buddha

Founders and Shapers

***Siddhartha Gautama**, the **Shakyamuni *Buddha**, lived around 563-486 **BCE**. Born a prince of the Sakya kingdom of southern Nepal, to Queen Maya. At the age of 29 he travelled outside the palace for the first time.

As a result of the suffering he saw he gave up everything to wander, meditate and search for an explanation of all experiences in our sense-based lives (**Samsara**).

At the age of 35, he settled under a **Bodhi Tree** at **Bodh Gaya**, determined not to move until he had received **Enlightenment**. He travelled a few hundred miles north and taught his first disciples at **Sarnath**. He ordained followers, the **Sangha**, and taught until 80 years old. Though ill he travelled to **Kushinagara**, lay on his right side, and passed into **Mahaparinivana**, the great state beyond **Nibbana**.

Succession and Early History

The ***Buddha** left no successor, the teaching continued through many disciples, including his chief disciple ***Ananda**. His teachings spread throughout modern India, particularly after the conversion of ***Asoka**, ruler of all India (268-239 **BCE**). It then spread into Sri Lanka, Thailand, South-East Asia, China, Mongolia, Korea and Japan.

The main schools of the **Way of the Buddha** are the **Theravada** (Way of the Elders) based in South-East Asia and the **Mahayana** (Great Vehicle), which itself includes **Zen** and **Tibetan**.

Sacred Texts

Mahayana, Hinayana and in some strands **Vajrayana** (or Tantra). Focused on the Four **Noble Truths**, Death and Rebirth, **Kamma**, **Dhamma** and **Sangha**, being the meditation of the Way of the Buddha and seeking the practice of the virtuous life to achieve personal **Enlightenment**. This is part of the **Eightfold Path**.

Creation stories

None.

Major Festivals

Wesak (day of the ***Buddha's** birth, **Enlightenment** and death) and **Bodhi Day** (**Mahayana** festival of the ***Buddha's Enlightenment**).

World Situation

There are over 250 million followers world-wide. An Eastern philosophy with very different values to current western society, it is as such examined by many searching for new values. Its current world leaders include His Holiness The 14th ***Dalai Lama** of Tibet, who lives in exile in India, following China's invasion of Tibet in 1959 **CE**.

Holiest Sites

Various places in India, Nepal and Tibet as well as many ancient Temples dedicated to the ***Buddha** in many parts of Asia.

Barnsley History and Local places of worship

The Buddhist Society was founded In England in 1924 **CE**. There are no public places of worship in Barnsley. There are centres for the Way of the Buddha in Yorkshire.

Local population

137 (Census, 2001 **CE**)



7.2 Glossary and biography index

The role of the Glossary and Biography Index is to act as a reference and signpost to the relevant faith's Glossary or Biography. The biographies include all people referred to in the grids, as well as other significant and locally-linked recent and current people. Some words have definitions in more than one faith, the faiths are listed alphabetically.

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| A | |
| *Aaron | Jewish Faith |
| Abd | Islam |
| Abhidhamma | Way of the Buddha |
| Abhidhamma Pitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| Abhidharma | Way of the Buddha |
| Abhidharma Pitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| *Abraham | Christian Faith Jewish Faith |
| Absolution | Christian Faith |
| *Abu Bak | Islam |
| *Abul Husayn Muslim ibn al-Hajjaj | Islam |
| Acarya | Hindu Dharma |
| Acharya | Hindu Dharma |
| AD (Anno Domini) | Christian Faith |
| *Adam (pbuh) | Islam |
| *Adam | Jewish Faith |
| Adhan | Islam |
| Adi Granth | Sikh Dharam |
| Advaita | Hindu Dharma |
| Advent | Christian Faith |
| Adwaita | Hindu Dharma |
| Afrikomen | Jewish Faith |
| His Highness the *Aga Khan | Islam |
| Agadah | Jewish Faith |
| Agape | Christian Faith |
| Aggadah | Jewish Faith |
| Agnihotra | Hindu Dharma |
| AH | Islam |
| Ahimsa | Hindu Dharma |
| Ahinsa | Hindu Dharma |
| *Aishah | Islam |
| *Ajahn Sumehdo | Way of the Buddha |
| Akal Purakh | Sikh Dharam |
| Akal Takhat | Sikh Dharam |
| Akal Takht | Sikh Dharam |
| Akhand Path | Sikh Dharam |
| Akhirah | Islam |
| Akhlaq | Islam |
| al-Amin | Islam |
| al-Aqsa | Islam |
| al-Fatihah | Islam |
| al-Hamdu-li-Llah | Islam |
| al-Kafi | Islam |
| al-Khulafa-ur-Rashidun | Islam |
| al-Madinah | Islam |
| al-Tajwid | Islam |
| *Alan Sugar | Jewish Faith |
| Cannon *Albert Ernest Sorby | Christian Faith |
| Aleinu | Jewish Faith |
| *Ali (RAA) | Islam |
| Aliyah | Jewish Faith |
| Allah (bpbuh) | Islam |
| Allahu Akbar | Islam |
| Altar | Christian Faith |
| Guru *Amar Das | Sikh Dharam |
| Amida | Way of the Buddha |
| Amidah | Jewish Faith |
| *Amir Khan | Islam |

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| Amitabha | Way of the Buddha |
| Amitayus | Way of the Buddha |
| Amrit | Sikh Dharam |
| Amrit ceremony | Sikh Dharam |
| Amrit Chhakna | Sikh Dharam |
| Amrit Pahul | Sikh Dharam |
| Amrit Sanskar | Sikh Dharam |
| Amritsar | Sikh Dharam |
| Anand | Hindu Dharma |
| Anand Karaj | Sikh Dharam |
| Anand Sanskar | Sikh Dharam |
| Ananda | Way of the Buddha |
| Anandpur | Sikh Dharam |
| Anapanasati | Way of the Buddha |
| Anapanasmrti | Way of the Buddha |
| Anatman | Way of the Buddha |
| Anatta | Way of the Buddha |
| Saint *Andrew | Christian Faith |
| Guru *Angad | Sikh Dharam |
| Anglican | Christian Faith |
| Angels | Islam |
| Anicca | Way of the Buddha |
| *Anila Baig | Islam |
| Anitya | Way of the Buddha |
| *Anne Frank | Jewish Faith |
| Ansar | Islam |
| Apocalyptic | Christian Faith |
| Apocrypha | Christian Faith |
| Apocryphal New Testament | Christian Faith |
| Apostle | Christian Faith |
| Arefat | Islam |
| Arahant | Way of the Buddha |
| Arahat | Way of the Buddha |
| Arati | Hindu Dharma |
| Archangel Michael | Jewish Faith |
| Ardas | Sikh Dharam |
| Arhat | Way of the Buddha |
| Guru *Arjan | Sikh Dharam |
| Ark of the Covenant | Jewish Faith |
| Arkan | Islam |
| Aron Hakodesh | Jewish Faith |
| Artha | Hindu Dharma |
| Arti | Hindu Dharma |
| Aryan | Hindu Dharma |
| As-Salamu-Aiaykum | Islam |
| Asa Da Vaar | Sikh Dharam |
| Asanas | Hindu Dharma |
| Ascension | Christian Faith |
| Ash Wednesday | Christian Faith |
| Ashkenazim | Jewish Faith |
| *Ashoka | Way of the Buddha |
| Ashram | Hindu Dharma |
| Ashrama | Hindu Dharma |
| *Asoka | Way of the Buddha |
| Asr (Salat-ul-Asr) | Islam |
| Asram | Hindu Dharma |
| Asrama | Hindu Dharma |
| Assemblies of God | Christian Faith |
| Atharva Veda | Hindu Dharma |
| Atma | Hindu Dharma |
| Atman | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |

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| Atonement | Christian Faith |
| Atta | Way of the Buddha |
| Awrah | Islam |
| Aum | Hindu Dharma |
| Avatar | Hindu Dharma |
| Avatara | Hindu Dharma |
| Avtara | Hindu Dharma |
| Ayah (singular) | Islam |
| Ayodhya | Hindu Dharma |
| B | |
| Baisakhi | Sikh Dharam |
| Banares | Hindu Dharma |
| Bangla Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Bani | Sikh Dharam |
| Baptism | Christian Faith |
| Baptist | Christian Faith |
| Baptist Church | Christian Faith |
| Baptistry | Christian Faith |
| Bar Mitzvah | Jewish Faith |
| Barakah | Islam |
| Bat Chayil | Jewish Faith |
| Bat Mitzvah | Jewish Faith |
| BC (Before Christ) | Christian Faith |
| BCE (Before Common Era) | General abbreviation |
| Beit ha Knesset | Jewish Faith |
| Believer's Baptism | Christian Faith |
| Benares | Hindu Dharma |
| Benediction | Christian Faith |
| *Benjamin | Jewish Faith |
| *Benjamin Disraeli | Jewish Faith |
| Berit Milah | Jewish Faith |
| Bet ha Knesset | Jewish Faith |
| Bet Haknesset | Jewish Faith |
| Bet Hamidrash | Jewish Faith |
| Bethel | Jewish Faith |
| Bethlehem | Jewish Faith |
| Bhagavad Gita | Hindu Dharma |
| Bhai | Sikh Dharam |
| Bhajan | Hindu Dharma |
| Bhajana | Hindu Dharma |
| Bhakti | Hindu Dharma |
| Bhakti yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| Bhikkhu (Bhikkhus) | Way of the Buddha |
| Bhikkhuni (Bhikkhunis) | Way of the Buddha |
| Bhikshu | Way of the Buddha |
| Bhikshuni | Way of the Buddha |
| Bible | Christian Faith |
| *Bilal (RAA) | Islam |
| Bimah | Jewish Faith |
| Bishop | Christian Faith |
| Bismillah | Islam |
| Bismillah-ir-Rahman ir-Rahim | Islam |
| Blessed Sacrament | Christian Faith |
| Bodhi Tree | Way of the Buddha |
| Bodhisatta | Way of the Buddha |
| Bodhisattva | Way of the Buddha |
| bpbuh (Blessing and peace be upon him) | Islam |
| Brahma | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahma Cari | Hindu Dharma |



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| Brahma Carin | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahma Chari | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahma Charin | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahma Viharas | Way of the Buddha |
| Bris | Jewish Faith |
| Brahmacari | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmacarin | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmacarya | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmachari | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmacharin | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmacharya | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahman | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmana | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmanas | Hindu Dharma |
| Brahmin | Hindu Dharma |
| Brethren | Christian Faith |
| Brindaban | Hindu Dharma |
| Brindavan | Hindu Dharma |
| Brit Milah | Jewish Faith |
| The *Buddha | Way of the Buddha |
| C | |
| Cabala | Jewish Faith |
| Canon | Christian Faith |
| Cantor | Jewish Faith |
| Capel | Jewish Faith |
| Cathedral | Christian Faith |
| *Catherine Booth | Christian Faith |
| Catholic | Christian Faith |
| CE (Common Era) | General abbreviation |
| *Cecily Saunders | Christian Faith |
| Cetiya | Way of the Buddha |
| Ch'an | Way of the Buddha |
| Chalice | Christian Faith |
| Challah | Jewish Faith |
| Chananl | Sikh Dharam |
| Chandnl | Sikh Dharam |
| Chanukah | Jewish Faith |
| Chanukiah | Jewish Faith |
| Charismatic | Christian Faith |
| Rev'd *Charles Wesley | Christian Faith |
| Chasid | Jewish Faith |
| Chasidim | Jewish Faith |
| Chasidism | Jewish Faith |
| Chaur | Sikh Dharam |
| Chauri | Sikh Dharam |
| Chazan | Jewish Faith |
| Chrismation | Christian Faith |
| Christ | Christian Faith |
| Christmas | Christian Faith |
| Chumash | Jewish Faith |
| Chunni | Sikh Dharam |
| Chuppah | Jewish Faith |
| Church | Christian Faith |
| Circumcision | Jewish Faith |
| Civa | Hindu Dharma |
| Saint *Clare of Assisi | Christian Faith |
| Sir Cliff Richard | Christian Faith |
| Communion Table | Christian Faith |
| Confession | Christian Faith |
| Congregationalist | Christian Faith |
| *Constantine the Great | Christian Faith |
| Consubstantiation | Christian Faith |
| Councils | Christian Faith |
| Creed | Christian Faith |
| Cremation | Sikh Dharam |
| Crucifixion | Christian Faith |
| D | |
| Da'wah | Islam |
| Dalai Lama | Way of the Buddha |

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| H.H. the *Dalai Lama of Tibet | Way of the Buddha |
| Dana | Way of the Buddha |
| *Daniel | Jewish Faith |
| Dar-ul-Islam | Islam |
| Darshan Shastres | Hindu Dharma |
| Dasam Granth | Sikh Dharam |
| Dashara | Hindu Dharma |
| Dassehra | Hindu Dharma |
| Dassera | Hindu Dharma |
| King *David | Christian Faith |
| *Daw Aung San Suu Kyi | Way of the Buddha |
| King *Dawid | Jewish Faith |
| *Dawud (pbuh) | Islam |
| Days of Awe | Jewish Faith |
| Deacons | Christian Faith |
| *Deborah | Jewish Faith |
| Deepavali | Hindu Dharma |
| Denomination | Christian Faith |
| Archbishop *Desmond Tutu | Christian Faith |
| Dhamma | Way of the Buddha |
| Dhammapada | Way of the Buddha |
| Dhyana | Way of the Buddha |
| Dharma | Hindu Dharma Way of the Buddha |
| Dharmapada | Way of the Buddha |
| Dhikr | Islam |
| Dhimmi | Islam |
| Dhoti | Hindu Dharma |
| Dhul-Hijjah | Islam |
| Dhyana | Hindu Dharma |
| Dh. | Way of the Buddha |
| Diaspora | Jewish Faith |
| Din | Islam |
| Din-ul-Fitrah | Islam |
| Dipavali | Hindu Dharma |
| Disciples | Christian Faith |
| Divali | Hindu Dharma Sikh Dharam |
| Diwali | Hindu Dharma Sikh Dharam |
| Du'a | Islam |
| Duhkha | Way of the Buddha |
| Dukkha | Way of the Buddha |
| Dunya | Islam |
| Durga | Hindu Dharma |
| Dussehra | Hindu Dharma |
| Dvaita | Hindu Dharma |
| Dvapara Yuga | Hindu Dharma |
| Dvaraka | Hindu Dharma |
| Dvarka | Hindu Dharma |
| Dwaita | Hindu Dharma |
| Dwaraka | Hindu Dharma |
| Dwarka | Hindu Dharma |
| E | |
| Early Church | Christian Faith |
| Easter | Christian Faith |
| Eastern Orthodox | Christian Faith |
| Ecumenism (Oikoumene) | Christian Faith |
| Eid | Islam |
| Eightfold Path | Way of the Buddha |
| *Elijah | Jewish Faith |
| Elim | Christian Faith |
| *Ellsha | Jewish Faith |
| *Elizabeth Fry | Christian Faith |
| Enlightenment | Way of the Buddha |
| Episcopacy | Christian Faith |
| Epistles | Christian Faith |
| *Esau | Jewish Faith |
| Queen *Esther | Jewish Faith |
| Eucharist | Christian Faith |
| Evangelical | Christian Faith |

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| Evangelist | Christian Faith |
| *Eve | Jewish Faith |
| Exodus | Jewish Faith |
| *Ezra | Jewish Faith |
| F | |
| Fajr (Salat-ul-Fajr) | Islam |
| Fard | Islam |
| Fatihah | Islam |
| *Fatimah al-Zahra (RAA) | Islam |
| Fatwa | Islam |
| Fiqh | Islam |
| Five Precepts | Way of the Buddha |
| Font | Christian Faith |
| Sister *Frances Dominica | Christian Faith |
| Saint *Francis of Assisi | Christian Faith |
| Free Churches | Christian Faith |
| G | |
| Ganapati | Hindu Dharma |
| *Gandhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Ganesh | Hindu Dharma |
| Ganesha | Hindu Dharma |
| Ganga | Hindu Dharma |
| Gangotri | Hindu Dharma |
| Ganupati | Hindu Dharma |
| Gautama | Way of the Buddha |
| Gemara | Jewish Faith |
| Gemarah | Jewish Faith |
| Genizah | Jewish Faith |
| *George Fox | Christian Faith |
| Ghusl | Islam |
| Giani | Sikh Dharam |
| Guru *Gobind Singh | Sikh Dharam |
| Golden Temple | Sikh Dharam |
| Gompa | Way of the Buddha |
| Good Friday | Christian Faith |
| Gospel | Christian Faith |
| Gotama | Way of the Buddha |
| Gotra | Hindu Dharma |
| Grace | Christian Faith |
| Granthi | Sikh Dharam |
| Grhastha | Hindu Dharma |
| Grihastha | Hindu Dharma |
| Gristhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Guna | Hindu Dharma |
| Gurbani | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurdwara (Gurdwaras) | Sikh Dharam |
| *Gurinda Chadha | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurmat | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurmukh | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurmukhi | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurpurab | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurpurb (Gurpurbs) | Sikh Dharam |
| Guru (Gurus) | Hindu Dharma Sikh Dharam |
| Guru Granth Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Guru ka Langar | Sikh Dharam |
| Gurudwara | Sikh Dharam |
| Gyan | Hindu Dharma |
| Gyan-yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| H | |
| Hadiith | Islam |
| Hafiz | Islam |
| Haftarah | Jewish Faith |
| Hagadah | Jewish Faith |
| Haggadah | Jewish Faith |
| *Hajar | Islam |
| Hajj | Islam |



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| Hajjah | Islam |
| Hajji | Islam |
| Halacha | Jewish Faith |
| Halakhah | Jewish Faith |
| Halal | Islam |
| Hallah | Jewish Faith |
| Hanukiah | Jewish Faith |
| Hanukkah | Jewish Faith |
| Hanuman | Hindu Dharma |
| Guru *Har Gobind | Sikh Dharam |
| Guru *Har Krishan | Sikh Dharam |
| Guru *Har Rai | Sikh Dharam |
| Haram | Islam |
| Haram Sharif | Islam |
| Harimandir | Sikh Dharam |
| Hasid | Jewish Faith |
| Hasidim | Jewish Faith |
| Hasidism | Jewish Faith |
| Professor *Hassan Fathy | Islam |
| Haumal | Sikh Dharam |
| Havan | Hindu Dharma |
| Havan Kund | Hindu Dharma |
| Havdalah | Jewish Faith |
| Hazzan | Jewish Faith |
| Heaven | Christian Faith |
| Hebrew | Jewish Faith |
| Hell | Christian Faith |
| King *Henry VIII | Christian Faith |
| King *Herod the Great | Christian Faith Jewish Faith |
| Hifz | Islam |
| Hijab | Islam |
| Hijrah | Islam |
| Hira | Islam |
| Hitopadesh | Hindu Dharma |
| Holi | Hindu Dharma |
| Holocaust | Jewish Faith |
| Holocaust Memorial Day | Jewish Faith |
| Holy Communion | Christian Faith |
| Holy Land | Christian Faith |
| Holy Spirit | Christian Faith |
| Holy Week | Christian Faith |
| Homa | Hindu Dharma |
| Hukam | Sikh Dharama |
| Huppah | Jewish Faith |
| I | |
| 'Ibadah | Islam |
| Iblis | Islam |
| *Ibrahim (pbuh) | Islam |
| Icon (or Ikon) | Christian Faith |
| Iconostasis | Christian Faith |
| 'Id | Islam |
| 'Id al-Adha | Islam |
| 'Id al-Fitr | Islam |
| 'Id Mubarak | Islam |
| 'Id-ul-Adha | Islam |
| 'Id-ul-Fitr | Islam |
| Iftar | Islam |
| Ihram | Islam |
| Ijma | Islam |
| Ik Onkar | Sikh Dharam |
| Imam | Islam |
| Imamah | Islam |
| Iman | Islam |
| *Imran Khan | Islam |
| Incarnation | Christian Faith |
| Injil | Islam |
| The International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) | Hindu Dharma |
| Iqamah | Islam |

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| *Isa (pbuh) | Islam |
| *Isaac | Christian Faith Jewish Faith |
| *Isaiah | Jewish Faith |
| 'Isha' (Salat-ul-'Isha') | Islam |
| ISKCON | Hindu Dharma |
| Islam | Islam |
| Islamic | Islam |
| *Isma'il (pbuh) | Islam |
| Isnad | Islam |
| Israel | Jewish Faith |
| *Israel | Jewish Faith |
| Ivrit | Jewish Faith |
| J | |
| *Jackie Pullinger | Christian Faith |
| *Jacob | Christian Faith Jewish Faith |
| Rev'd *James Hudson-Taylor | Christian Faith |
| Jamuna | Hindu Dharma |
| Janam Sakhi | Sikh Dharam |
| Janamsakhi | Sikh Dharam |
| Janeu | Hindu Dharma |
| Janmashtami | Hindu Dharma |
| Janmashtmi | Hindu Dharma |
| Jap | Hindu Dharma |
| Japa | Hindu Dharma |
| Japji Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Jataka | Way of the Buddha |
| Jati | Hindu Dharma |
| Jatra | Hindu Dharma |
| Jenoi | Hindu Dharma |
| *Jeremiah | Jewish Faith |
| Jericho | Jewish Faith |
| Jerusalem | Jewish Faith |
| *Jesus | Christian Faith |
| Jhana | Way of the Buddha |
| Jibril | Islam |
| Jihad | Islam |
| Jinn | Islam |
| Jivan Mukht | Sikh Dharam |
| Jivan Mukht | Sikh Dharam |
| Jnana | Hindu Dharma |
| Jnana-yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| Saint *John the Baptist | Christian Faith |
| Saint *John the Devine | Christian Faith |
| Pope *John Paul II | Christian Faith |
| Rev'd *John Wesley | Christian Faith |
| Rev'd Dr *John Wycliffe | Christian Faith |
| *Jonah | Jewish Faith |
| *Jonathan Edwards | Christian Faith |
| Jordan | Jewish Faith |
| *Joseph | Jewish Faith |
| *Joshua | Jewish Faith |
| Judah | Jewish Faith |
| *Judas Iscariot | Christian Faith |
| *Judas Maccabees | Jewish Faith |
| Judea | Jewish Faith |
| Jum'ah | Islam |
| Jumna | Hindu Dharma |
| Jumua'ah (Salat-ul-Jumu'ah) | Islam |
| Justification of Faith | Christian Faith |
| Juzu | Way of the Buddha |
| K | |
| Ka'bah | Islam |

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| Kaali | Hindu Dharma |
| Kabbalah | Jewish Faith |
| Kachera | Sikh Dharam |
| Kaddish | Jewish Faith |
| Kakka | Sikh Dharam |
| Kali | Hindu Dharma |
| Kali Yuga | Hindu Dharma |
| Karna | Hindu Dharma |
| Kamma | Way of the Buddha |
| Kanga | Sikh Dharam |
| Kangha | Sikh Dharam |
| Kannon | Way of the Buddha |
| Kara | Sikh Dharam |
| Karah Parshad | Sikh Dharam |
| Karah Prasad | Sikh Dharam |
| Karma | Hindu Dharma Way of the Buddha |
| Karma-yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| Karuna | Way of the Buddha |
| Karuna Trust | Way of the Buddha |
| Kasher | Jewish Faith |
| Kashi | Hindu Dharma |
| Kashrut | Jewish Faith |
| Kasi | Hindu Dharma |
| Kaur | Sikh Dharam |
| Kerygma | Christian Faith |
| Kes | Sikh Dharam |
| Kesa | Way of the Buddha |
| Kesh | Sikh Dharam |
| Ketubah | Jewish Faith |
| Ketubbah | Jewish Faith |
| Ketuvim | Jewish Faith |
| *Khadajah ul-Kubra' (pbuh) | Islam |
| Khalifah | Islam |
| Khalsa | Sikh Dharam |
| Bhai *Khanaya | Sikh Dharam |
| Khanda | Sikh Dharam |
| Khanda di Pahul | Sikh Dharam |
| Khandha (Khandhas) | Way of the Buddha |
| Khanti | Way of the Buddha |
| Khatri | Hindu Dharma |
| Khilafah | Islam |
| Khums | Islam |
| Khutbah | Islam |
| Kibbutz | Jewish Faith |
| Kibbutzim | Jewish Faith |
| Kiddush | Jewish Faith |
| Kilesa | Way of the Buddha |
| Kippah | Jewish Faith |
| Kirat Karna | Sikh Dharam |
| Kirpan | Sikh Dharam |
| Kirtan | Hindu Dharam Sikh Dharam |
| Kirtan Sohila | Sikh Dharam |
| Klesa | Way of the Buddha |
| Koan | Way of the Buddha |
| *Korah | Jewish Faith |
| Kol Nidre | Jewish Faith |
| Kol Nidrei | Jewish Faith |
| Kosher | Jewish Faith |
| Knesset | Jewish Faith |
| Krishna (Lord Krishna) | Hindu Dharma |
| Krta Yuga | Hindu Dharma |
| Kshanti | Way of the Buddha |
| Kshatriya | Hindu Dharma |
| Kwan-yin | Way of the Buddha |
| Kurahit | Sikh Dharam |
| Kyrie | Christian Faith |
| L | |
| Ladino | Jewish Faith |
| *Lakhmi Das | Sikh Dharam |



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| Lakshmi | Hindu Dharma |
| Laksmi | Hindu Dharma |
| Bhal *Lalo | Sikh Dharam |
| Lama | Way of the Buddha |
| Langar | Sikh Dharam |
| Layfat-ul-Qadr | Islam |
| Lectern | Christian Faith |
| Lectionary | Christian Faith |
| *Lehna | Sikh Dharam |
| Lent | Christian Faith |
| *Leonardo Da Vinci | Christian Faith |
| *Levi | Jewish Faith |
| Liberal | Jewish Faith |
| Linga | Hindu Dharma |
| Rabbi *Lionel Blue | Jewish Faith |
| Liturgy | Christian Faith |
| Logos | Christian Faith |
| Lord | Christian Faith |
| Lord's Supper | Christian Faith |
| Lotus Sutra | Way of the Buddha |
| *Ludwig Feuerback | Christian Faith |
| Saint *Luke | Christian Faith |
| Lutheran | Christian Faith |
| M | |
| Maala | Hindu Dharma |
| Madinah | Islam |
| Magen Dawid | Jewish Faith |
| Magga | Way of the Buddha |
| Maghrib (Salat-ul-Maghrib) | Islam |
| Mahabharta | Hindu Dharma |
| Mahaparivana | Sikh Dharam |
| Mahashivaratri | Hindu Dharma |
| *Mahatma Gandhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Mahayana | Way of the Buddha |
| Mahdi, al-Muntazar | Islam |
| Mahr | Islam |
| *Malmonides | Jewish Faith |
| Maitreya | Way of the Buddha |
| Maitri | Way of the Buddha |
| Makka | Islam |
| Makkah | Islam |
| Makruh | Islam |
| Mala | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| *Malcolm X | Islam |
| Mandal | Hindu Dharma |
| Mandala | Hindu Dharma |
| Mandan | Hindu Dharma |
| Mandir | Hindu Dharma |
| Mandub | Islam |
| Manji | Sikh Dharam |
| Manjo Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Manmukh | Sikh Dharam |
| Mantra | Hindu Dharma |
| Manusmriti | Hindu Dharma |
| *Mardana | Sikh Dharam |
| Marg | Hindu Dharma |
| Marga | Way of the Buddha |
| Saint *Mark | Christian Faith |
| *Martin Luther | Christian Faith |
| Rev'd Dr *Martin Luther King, Jr | Christian Faith |
| Martyr | Christian Faith |
| The Virgin *Mary | Christian Faith |
| Saint *Mary | Christian Faith |
| Magdalen | |
| *Maryam (pbuh) | Islam |
| Mashiach | Jewish Faith |
| Masjid | Islam |
| Mass | Christian Faith |
| Mata | Hindu Dharma |

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| Mathura | Hindu Dharma |
| Saint *Matthew | Christian Faith |
| Matzah | Jewish Faith |
| Matzot | Jewish Faith |
| Maundy Thursday | Christian Faith |
| Maya | Hindu Dharma |
| Mecca | Islam |
| Mela (Melas) | Sikh Dharam |
| Menorah | Jewish Faith |
| Messiah | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Methodist | Christian Faith |
| Metta | Way of the Buddha |
| Metta Sutta | Way of the Buddha |
| Mettaya | Way of the Buddha |
| Mezuzah | Jewish Faith |
| Mi'raj | Islam |
| *Michaelangelo Buonaroti | Christian Faith |
| *Michael Marks | Jewish Faith |
| Midrash | Jewish Faith |
| Mihrab | Islam |
| Mikveh | Jewish Faith |
| Mina | Islam |
| Minaret | Islam |
| Minbar | Islam |
| Ministry | Christian Faith |
| Minyan | Jewish Faith |
| Miqat | Islam |
| Mishnah | Jewish Faith |
| Mishkan | Jewish Faith |
| Missal | Christian Faith |
| Mitzvah | Jewish Faith |
| Mitzvot | Jewish Faith |
| *Mohandas Gandhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Mohel | Jewish Faith |
| Moksa | Hindu Dharma |
| Moksha | Hindu Dharma |
| Mool Mantar | Sikh Dharam |
| Moorti | Hindu Dharma |
| *Moses | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Moshav | Jewish Faith |
| Moshavim | Jewish Faith |
| Moshiach | Jewish Faith |
| Mosque | Islam |
| Mother of God | Christian Faith |
| Mu'adhin | Islam |
| Mubah | Islam |
| Mudda | Way of the Buddha |
| Mudita | Way of the Buddha |
| Mudra | Way of the Buddha |
| Muezzin | Islam |
| *Muhammad (pbuh) | Islam |
| *Muhammad Ali | Islam |
| *Muhammad ibn Isma'il al Bukhari | Islam |
| *Muhammad ibn-Yaqub Kaleini | Islam |
| Muharram | Islam |
| Mul Mantar | Sikh Dharam |
| Mumin | Islam |
| Mundan | Hindu Dharma |
| Munmukh | Sikh Dharam |
| Murti | Hindu Dharma |
| *Musa (pbuh) | Islam |
| Muslim (Muslims) | Islam |
| Muzdalifah | Islam |
| N | |
| Naam Simran | Sikh Dharam |
| *Nabi (pbuh) | Islam |
| Nam Simaran | Sikh Dharam |
| Nam Simran | Sikh Dharam |

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| Guru *Nanak | Sikh Dharam |
| Nanded | Sikh Dharam |
| Nankana Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Nativity | Christian Faith |
| Navaratra | Hindu Dharma |
| Navaratri | Hindu Dharma |
| Ner Tamid | Jewish Faith |
| Nevi'im | Jewish Faith |
| New Testament | Christian Faith |
| Nibbana | Way of the Buddha |
| *Nicky Cruz | Christian Faith |
| Nirodha | Way of the Buddha |
| Nirvana | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Nishan Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Nit Nem | Sikh Dharam |
| Niyah | Islam |
| Noachide Laws | Jewish Faith |
| *Noah | Jewish Faith |
| Noble Truths | Way of the Buddha |
| Non-Conformist | Christian Faith |
| O | |
| Old Testament | Christian Faith |
| Om | Hindu Dharma |
| Orders of Ministry | Christian Faith |
| Ordination | Christian Faith |
| Orthodox | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Archbishop *Oscar Romero | Christian Faith |
| *Oskar Schindler | Jewish Faith |
| P | |
| Pala | Sikh Dharam |
| Palm Sunday | Christian Faith |
| Panchatantra | Hindu Dharma |
| Panj Kakke | Sikh Dharam |
| Panj Piare | Sikh Dharam |
| Panj Pyare | Sikh Dharam |
| Panjab | Sikh Dharam |
| Panjabi | Sikh Dharam |
| Panna | Way of the Buddha |
| Panth | Sikh Dharam |
| Parables | Christian Faith |
| Paraclete | Christian Faith |
| Parami | Way of the Buddha |
| Paramita | Way o the Buddha |
| Parev | Jewish Faith |
| Parinibbana | Way of the Buddha |
| Parousia | Christian Faith |
| Parvati | Hindu Dharma |
| Parveh | Jewish Faith |
| Passover | Jewish Faith |
| Patimokkha | Way of the Buddha |
| *Patrick Duffy | Way of the Buddha |
| Parinirvana | Way of the Buddha |
| Passion | Christian Faith |
| Patases | Sikh Dharam |
| Patashas | Sikh Dharam |
| Patna | Sikh Dharam |
| Patriarch | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Saint *Paul (pbuh) | Christian Faith |
| (pbuh) | Islam |
| (pbut) | Islam |
| Pentecost | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Pentecostal (or Pentecostalist) | Christian Faith |
| *Perween Warsi | Islam |
| Pesach | Jewish Faith |
| Saint *Peter | Christian Faith |
| Phylacteries | Jewish Faith |
| Pikei Avot | Jewish Faith |
| Pikuakh Nefesh | Jewish Faith |



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| Pirke Avoth | Jewish Faith |
| Pitake | Way of the Buddha |
| Pogrom | Jewish Faith |
| Pooja | Hindu Dharma |
| Pontiff | Christian Faith |
| Pope | Christian Faith |
| Prahalada | Hindu Dharma |
| Prahlada | Hindu Dharma |
| Prajna | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Prakrti | Hindu Dharma |
| Pranayam | Hindu Dharma |
| Pranayama | Hindu Dharma |
| Prasad | Hindu Dharma |
| Prasada | Hindu Dharma |
| Prashad | Hindu Dharma |
| Prashada | Hindu Dharma |
| Pratimoksha | Way of the Buddha |
| Pravachan | Hindu Dharma |
| Presbyterian | Christian Faith |
| Priest | Christian Faith |
| *Prince Naseem Hamid | Islam |
| Progressive | Jewish Faith |
| Promised Land | Jewish Faith |
| Prophet | Islam |
| (The) Prophet | Islam |
| Prophet *Muhammad | Islam |
| Prophets | Islam |
| Protestant | Christian Faith |
| Puja | Hindu Dharma |
| Pulpit | Christian Faith |
| Punjab | Sikh Dharam |
| Punjabi | Sikh Dharam |
| Purana | Hindu Dharam |
| Purgatory | Christian Faith |
| Purim | Jewish Faith |
| Purusa | Hindu Dharma |
| Q | |
| Qadar | Islam |
| Qari | Islam |
| Qiblah | Islam |
| Quaker | Christian Faith |
| Qur'an | Islam |
| R | |
| RAA | Islam |
| Raakhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Rabbi | Jewish Faith |
| *Rachel | Jewish Faith |
| Radhi-Allahu-anhum | Islam |
| Ragi | Sikh Dharam |
| *Ragi Omar | Islam |
| Rahiras | Sikh Dharam |
| Rahit | Sikh Dharam |
| Rahit Maryada | Sikh Dharam |
| Raj Yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| Raja Yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| Rajas | Hindu Dharma |
| Rak'ah | Islam |
| Rakhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Raksha Bandhan | Hindu Dharma |
| Ram | Hindu Dharma |
| Guru *Ram Das | Sikh Dharam |
| *Ram Mohan Roy | Hindu Dharma |
| Rama | Hindu Dharma |
| Ramadan | Islam |
| Ramayan | Hindu Dharma |
| Ramayana | Hindu Dharma |
| Ramnavami | Hindu Dharma |
| Ramnavmi | Hindu Dharma |
| Maharaja *Ranjit-Singh | Sikh Dharam |

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| *Rashi | Jewish Faith |
| Rasul | Islam |
| Rasulallah | Islam |
| Rc Veda | Hindu Dharma |
| Rabbe | Jewish Faith |
| Reconciliation (Confession) | Christian Faith |
| Redemption | Christian Faith |
| Reformed | Jewish Faith |
| Reformation | Christian Faith |
| Rehat Maryada | Sikh Dharam |
| Religious Society of Friends | Christian Faith |
| Resurrection | Christian Faith |
| Rg Veda | Hindu Dharma |
| *Richard Gere | Way of the Buddha |
| Rig Veda | Hindu Dharma |
| Risalah | Islam |
| Rishi | Hindu Dharma |
| Risi | Hindu Dharma |
| Roman Catholic | Christian Faith |
| Rosh Ha-Shanah | Jewish Faith |
| Rosh Hashanah | Jewish Faith |
| *Rose Heilbron | Jewish Faith |
| *Roy Castle | Christian Faith |
| Rsl | Hindu Dharma |
| Rupa (Rupas) | Way of the Buddha |
| S | |
| Sa'y | Islam |
| Sabad | Sikh Dharam |
| Sabbath | Jewish Faith |
| Sacrament | Christian Faith |
| Sadaqah | Islam |
| Sadaqah al-Fitr | Islam |
| Saddhu | Hindu Dharma |
| Sadhan | Hindu Dharma |
| Sadhana | Hindu Dharma |
| Sadhsangat | Sikh Dharam |
| Sadhu | Hindu Dharma |
| Safa and Marwah | Islam |
| Sahih al-Bukhari | Islam |
| Sahih Muslim | Islam |
| Saivism | Hindu Dharma |
| Sakti | Hindu Dharma |
| Sakyamuni | Way of the Buddha |
| Salah | Islam |
| Salvation Army | Christian Faith |
| Salvationist | Christian Faith |
| Samadhi | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Sama Veda | Hindu Dharma |
| Samatha | Way of the Buddha |
| Samjna | Way of the Buddha |
| Samsara | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Samskara | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Samudaya | Way of the Buddha |
| *Samuel | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Samaria | Jewish Faith |
| Samnyasin | Hindu Dharma |
| Samakar | Hindu Dharma |
| Samyasin | Hindu Dharma |
| Sangha | Way of the Buddha |
| *Sanjeev Bhaskar | Hindu Dharma |
| *Sankara | Hindu Dharma |
| Sankhara | Way of the Buddha |
| Sanna | Way of the Buddha |
| *Sarah | Jewish Faith |
| Satori | Way of the Buddha |
| King *Saul | Jewish Faith |
| Sanatan Dharma | Hindu Dharma |
| Sanctification | Christian Faith |

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| Sanctuary | Christian Faith |
| Sangat | Sikh Dharam |
| Sannyasa | Hindu Dharma |
| Sannyasin | Hindu Dharma |
| Sanskrit | Hindu Dharma |
| Sansara | Hindu Dharma |
| Sanskar | Hindu Dharma |
| Saraswati | Hindu Dharma |
| Sattva | Hindu Dharma |
| Sattwa | Hindu Dharma |
| Sawm | Islam |
| Seder | Jewish Faith |
| Seeta | Hindu Dharma |
| Sefardim | Jewish Faith |
| Sefer Torah | Jewish Faith |
| Sephardim | Jewish Faith |
| Sermon | Christian Faith |
| Seva | Hindu Dharma |
| | Sikh Dharam |
| Sewa | Hindu Dharma |
| | Sikh Dharam |
| Shaatzneez | Jewish Faith |
| Shabbat | Jewish Faith |
| Shabbos | Jewish Faith |
| Shabad (Shabads) | Sikh Dharam |
| Shabd | Sikh Dharam |
| Shahadah | Islam |
| Shaivism | Hindu Dharma |
| Shakti | Hindu Dharma |
| Shakya | Way of the Buddha |
| Shakyamuni | Way of the Buddha |
| Shalwar | Sikh Dharam |
| Shari'ah | Islam |
| Shalwar | Islam |
| Shatnez | Jewish Faith |
| Shavuot | Jewish Faith |
| Shaytan | Islam |
| Shekhina | Jewish Faith |
| Shema | Jewish Faith |
| Shemot | Jewish Faith |
| Shi'ah | Islam |
| Shield of David | Jewish Faith |
| Shirk | Islam |
| Shiva | Hindu Dharma |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Shivaratri | Hindu Dharma |
| Shoah | Jewish Faith |
| Shofar | Jewish Faith |
| Shraddha | Hindu Dharma |
| Shri | Hindu Dharma |
| Shrimati | Hindu Dharma |
| Shrine | Hindu Dharma |
| Shruti | Hindu Dharma |
| Shul | Jewish Faith |
| Shura | Islam |
| Siddattha | Way of the Buddha |
| Siddhartha | Way of the Buddha |
| *Siddharthat Gautama | Way of the Buddha |
| Siddhi | Hindu Dharma |
| Siddur | Jewish Faith |
| *Sigmund Freud | Christian Faith |
| | Jewish Faith |
| Sila | Way of the Buddha |
| Sikh (Sikhs) | Sikh Dharam |
| Sikh Dharam | Sikh Dharam |
| Simchat Torah | Jewish Faith |
| Sin (Sins) | Christian Faith |
| Singh | Sikh Dharam |
| Sirah | Islam |
| Sis Ganj Sahib | Sikh Dharam |
| Sita | Hindu Dharma |
| Siva | Hindu Dharma |
| Sivaratri | Hindu Dharma |
| Skandha | Way of the Buddha |



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| Smriti | Hindu Dharma |
| King *Solomon | Jewish Faith |
| Sraddha | Hindu Dharma |
| Sri | Hindu Dharma |
| *Sri Chand | Sikh Dharam |
| Srti | Hindu Dharma |
| Struti | Hindu Dharma |
| Star of David | Jewish Faith |
| Saint *Stephen | Christian Faith |
| Sthaviravada | Way of the Buddha |
| Stupa | Way of the Buddha |
| Subhah | Islam |
| Suhur | Islam |
| Sukkah | Jewish Faith |
| Sukkot | Jewish Faith |
| *Sulakhni | Sikh Dharam |
| Sunnah | Islam |
| Sunni | Islam |
| Surah | Islam |
| Sutra (Sutras) | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Sutra Pitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| Sutta | Hindu Dharma |
| | Way of the Buddha |
| Sutta Pitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| Svami | Hindu Dharma |
| Svsatika | Hindu Dharma |
| Swami | Hindu Dharma |
| Swastika | Hindu Dharma |
| Synagogue | Jewish Faith |
| Synoptic | Christian Faith |
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| T'filin | Jewish Faith |
| Tabernacle | Christian Faith |
| Tabernacles | Jewish Faith |
| Tahwandi Sabo | Sikh Dharam |
| Takbir | Islam |
| Takht (Takhts) | Sikh Dharam |
| Tallit | Jewish Faith |
| Tallith | Jewish Faith |
| Talmud | Jewish Faith |
| Tamas | Hindu Dharma |
| Tanakh | Jewish Faith |
| Tanha | Way of the Buddha |
| Tarawih | Islam |
| Tathagata | Way of the Buddha |
| Tawaf | Islam |
| Tawhid | Islam |
| Tawrah | Islam |
| Tayammum | Islam |
| Tefila | Jewish Faith |
| Tefillah | Jewish Faith |
| Tefillin | Jewish Faith |
| Guru *Tegh Behadur | Sikh Dharam |
| Temple | Jewish Faith |
| Temple Mount | Jewish Faith |
| Ten Commandments | Jewish Faith |
| Tenakh | Jewish Faith |
| Tephilin | Jewish Faith |
| Teshuva | Jewish Faith |
| *Terry Waite | Christian Faith |
| Theravada | Way of the Buddha |
| Mother *Theresa of Calcutta | Christian Faith |
| Dr *Thomas Barnardo | Christian Faith |

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| Rev'd Dr *Th. B. Stephenson | Christian Faith |
| Dame *Thora Hird | Christian Faith |
| Thupa | Way of the Buddha |
| Tikkun Olam | Jewish Faith |
| Tikun | Jewish Faith |
| Tilak | Hindu Dharma |
| Tilaka | Hindu Dharma |
| Tipitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| Tiratana | Way of the Buddha |
| Torah | Jewish Faith |
| Transmigration | Hindu Dharma |
| Transubstantiation | Christian Faith |
| Tree of Wisdom | Way of the Buddha |
| Treta Yuga | Hindu Dharma |
| Trimurti | Hindu Dharma |
| Trinity | Christian Faith |
| Tripitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| Triratna | Way of the Buddha |
| Trishna | Way of the Buddha |
| Tu B'Shevat | Jewish Faith |
| Tulku | Way of the Buddha |
| Turban | Sikh Dharam |
| (The) Twelve | Christian Faith |
| Tzedaka | Jewish Faith |
| Tzitzit | Jewish Faith |
| Tzizit | Jewish Faith |
| U | |
| Ulama | Islam |
| Umar | Islam |
| *Umar ibn ul-Khattab (RAA) | Islam |
| Umma | Islam |
| 'Umrah | Islam |
| Unction | Christian Faith |
| United Reformed Church | Christian Faith |
| Upanayana | Hindu Dharma |
| Upanisads | Hindu Dharma |
| Upanishads | Hindu Dharma |
| Upaya | Way of the Buddha |
| Upekkha | Way of the Buddha |
| Upeksa | Way of the Buddha |
| Uthman | Islam |
| V | |
| Vaak | Sikh Dharam |
| Vaisakhi | Sikh Dharam |
| Vaisnavism | Hindu Dharma |
| Vaishnavism | Hindu Dharma |
| Vaishya | Hindu Dharma |
| Vaisya | Hindu Dharma |
| Vajrayana | Way of the Buddha |
| Vak | Sikh Dharam |
| Vanaprastha | Hindu Dharma |
| Vanaprasthi | Hindu Dharma |
| Vand Chhakna | Sikh Dharam |
| Vani | Sikh Dharam |
| Varanasl | Hindu Dharma |
| Varna (Varnas) | Hindu Dharma |
| Varnashrama | Hindu Dharma |
| Varnasrama | Hindu Dharma |
| Dharma | |
| Varsha Pratipada | Hindu Dharma |
| Vatican | Christian Faith |
| Veda (Vedas) | Hindu Dharma |
| Vedana | Way of the Buddha |
| Vesak | Way of the Buddha |

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| Vihara (Viharas) | Way of the Buddha |
| Vijnana | Way of the Buddha |
| Vijay Dashmi | Hindu Dharma |
| Vijaya Dashami | Hindu Dharma |
| Vinaya | Way of the Buddha |
| Vinaya Pitaka | Way of the Buddha |
| Vinnana | Way of the Buddha |
| Vipashyana | Way of the Buddha |
| Vipassana | Way of the Buddha |
| (The) Virgin Mary | Christian Faith |
| Viriya | Way of the Buddha |
| Virya | Way of the Buddha |
| Vishnu | Hindu Dharma |
| Visnu | Hindu Dharma |
| *Vivekananda | Hindu Dharma |
| Vrat | Hindu Dharma |
| Vratam | Hindu Dharma |
| Vrindavan | Hindu Dharma |
| Vrindavana | Hindu Dharma |
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| Waheguru | Sikh Dharam |
| Wailing Wall | Jewish Faith |
| Wajib | Islam |
| Wesak | Way of the Buddha |
| Western Wall | Jewish Faith |
| Whitsun | Christian Faith |
| Rev'd *William Booth | Christian Faith |
| *William Tyndale | Christian Faith |
| *Willam Wilberforce | Christian Faith |
| Wudu | Islam |
| Y | |
| Yad | Jewish Faith |
| Yad Vashem | Jewish Faith |
| Yahrzeit | Jewish Faith |
| Yajur Veda | Hindu Dharma |
| Yamulkah | Jewish Faith |
| Yamuna | Hindu Dharma |
| Yathrib | Islam |
| Yatra | Hindu Dharma |
| Sir *Yehudi Menuhin | Jewish Faith |
| Yeshiva | Jewish Faith |
| Yiddish | Jewish Faith |
| Yishuv | Jewish Faith |
| Rabbi *Yisrael Baal Shem Tov | Jewish Faith |
| Yoga | Hindu Dharma |
| Yom Hashoah | Jewish Faith |
| Yom Kippur | Jewish Faith |
| Yuga | Hindu Dharma |
| *Yousuf Islam | Islam |
| Z | |
| Zabur | Islam |
| Zakah | Islam |
| Zakat-ul-Fitr | Islam |
| Zamzam | Islam |
| Zazen | Way of the Buddha |
| Zen | Way of the Buddha |
| Zionism | Jewish Faith |
| Zuhr (Salat-ul-Zuhr) | Islam |