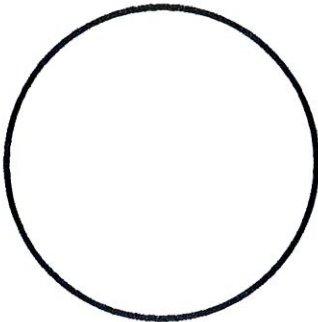


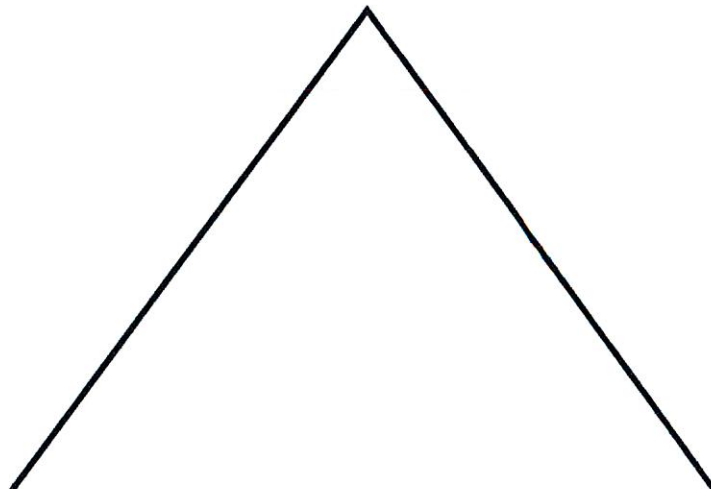
Belief Systems

➤ Hinduism

- Hinduism has _____, but originated from the mixing of Harappan and Aryan cultures in ancient _____ around _____.
- Hindus believe in one unifying spirit, _____. Brahman can manifest in many, _____, forms or in one, _____.
- Hinduism is based on the concept of _____ (Spirits return to earth many times in different forms trying to become one with Brahman). The soul moves up or down a hierarchy depending on their behavior in life.
- A person moves closer to Brahman by obeying the law of karma. _____ is the sum of all your deeds, good and bad. Good deeds involve following your _____, or duties dependent on your position, gender and occupation.
- The _____ (outlawed since 1948) was an important part of Hinduism. Castes are social classes into which a person is born and lives their entire life. If a person has a good karma they may be reincarnated into a _____.



- The _____ separated Indian society into _____ in which everyone knew their place and believed that if they followed the dharma of their caste, they would be reincarnated into a better caste.

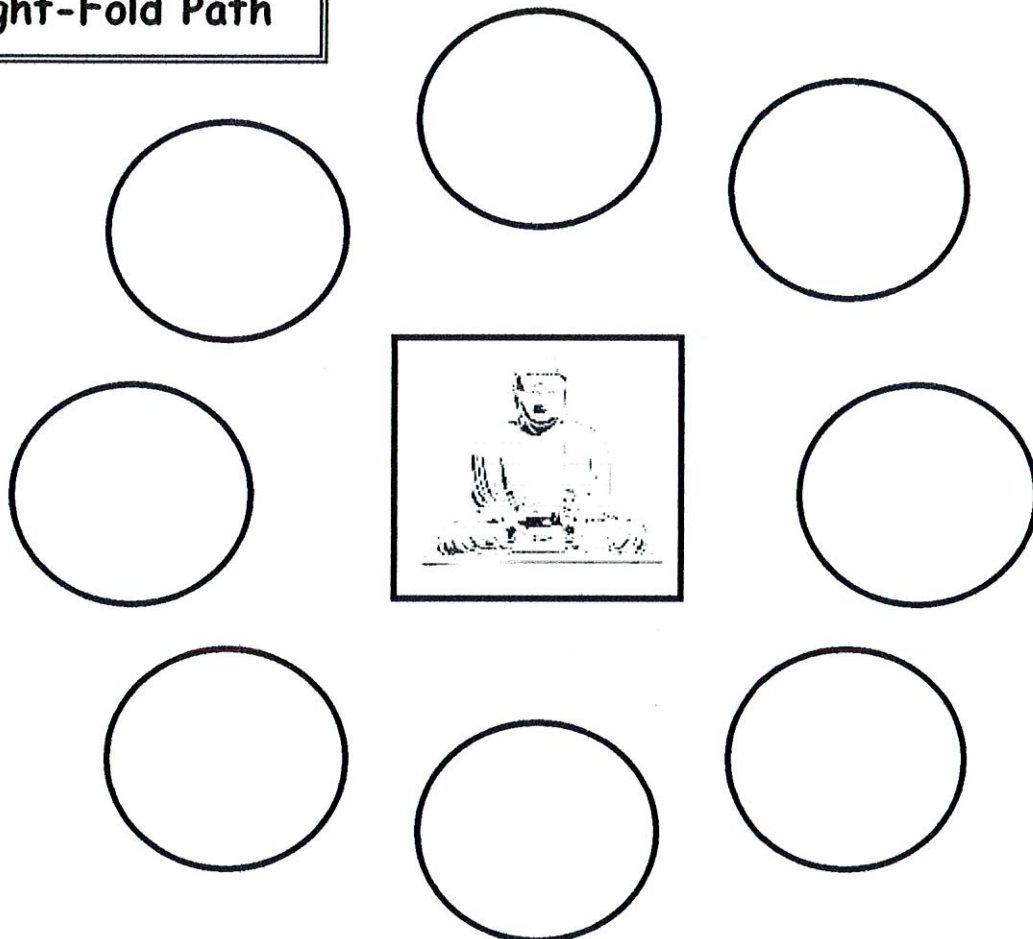


- Over the centuries Hindu beliefs were recorded into a number of _____ including the _____ and the _____.
- The Ramayana is a Hindu creation story.
- Hindus believe the _____ is sacred and often wish to be cremated and have their ashes sprinkled in the river upon death.

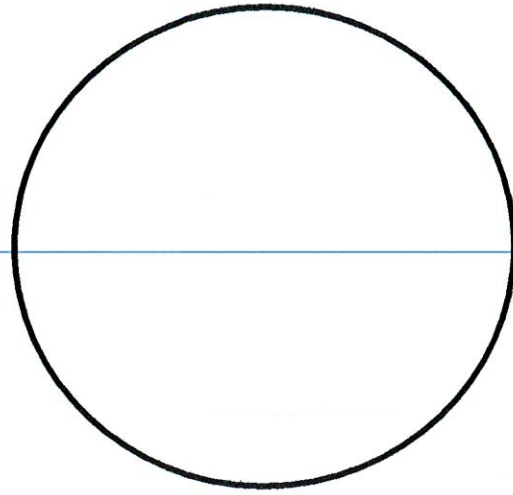
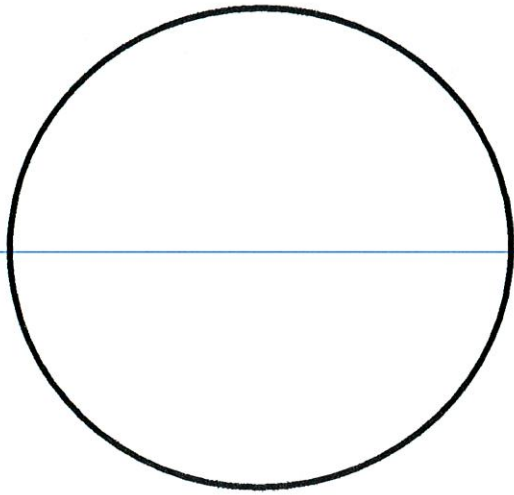
➤ Buddhism

- Buddhism was founded by _____ in northern _____ around _____.
- Gautama was born into a wealthy Hindu family, but renounced his wealth to seek spiritual enlightenment.
- Buddhism spread through _____ to eastern Asia, including China, Thailand, Korea and Japan.
- In other areas, Buddhism was adapted and took on new forms.
- Buddhism is based on the Four Noble Truths:
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____
 - _____

Eight-Fold Path



- In other areas, Buddhism was adapted and took on new forms.
- Buddhism has much in common with Hinduism, but there are important differences.



- Sacred Buddhist Texts
 - Buddha did not record his teachings, but after he died, his followers collected them into _____.
- Today's Tibetan Buddhists are led by the _____, who advocates for freedom from China.