The Origins of Religions

Religion	Geographical	Historical Source	Key Teachings/	Splits/Schisms
	Region of Origin		Sacraments	

Christianity		

Buddhism		

Hinduism		

The Diffusion of Religions:

- 1. How did each of the following processes contribute to the diffusion of Christianity?
 - a. Relocation Diffusion
 - b. Contagious Diffusion
 - c. Hierarchical Diffusion
- 2. Which of these contributed to the diffusion of Islam? How?
- 3. Which of these contributed to the diffusion of Buddhism? How?
- 4. Discuss the mingling of ethnic and universal religions in the following regions:
 - a. Africa
 - b. East Asia
 - c. Mauritius
- 5. Why is Judaism an exception to the general rule that ethnic religions do not diffuse widely?