UNIT 2: MIDDLE EAST – Geography & Culture NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SS7G8 The student will describe the diverse cultures of the people who live in Southwest Asia (Middle East).**

c. Compare and contrast the prominent religions in Southwest Asia (Middle East): Judaism, Islam, and Christianity.

Essential Question: How are the religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam ***similar*** to one another?

1. All three religions are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , which means they believe in only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ god.
2. All originated in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ region, and the city of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is historically important.
3. All three religions have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to other continents through migration, trade, and conquest.

**ISLAM**

Founder:

Date of Origin: Circa \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ C.E. / AD

Place of origin:

Name of Followers:

Religious Text / Book:

Place of Worship:

Titles of Religious Figures:

Religious Holidays:

Religious symbols: Some Muslims do not recognize the crescent moon and star as a symbol of Islam. Others use calligraphy styled writing, and the use of animals or living things are forbidden to represent Islam.



**JUDAISM**

Founder:

Date of Origin: Circa \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C.E. / BC

Place of origin:

Name of Followers:

Religious Text / Book:

Place of Worship:

Titles of Religious Figures:

Religious Holidays:

Religious symbols:



**CHRISTIANITY**

Founder:

Date of Origin: Circa \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ C.E. / AD

Place of origin:

Name of Followers:

Religious Text / Book:

Place of Worship:

Titles of Religious Figures:

Religious Holidays:

Religious symbols:



Essential Question: How are the religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam ***different*** from one another?