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**A Comparative Introduction** Rowman & Littlefield Publishers

The World's Religions offers a fascinating insight into a wide range of faiths, their history and their followers. In the richly illustrated new edition of this popular book, religions are described through their symbols, rituals, followers, architecture and art. References, statistics, maps and pictures have been updated and added. The text has been thoroughly revised to highlight recent developments, such as the spread of Islam, African-American and Hispanic-American religious experience, and women priests.

**Engaging with Transformational Concepts** Harper Collins

A world Bible for our time from Buddhist, Hindu, Confucian, Taoist, Jewish, Christian, Islamic, and primal religion sources! In this

perfect companion to Huston Smith's bestselling *The World's Wisdom*, Philip Novak distills the most powerful and elegant expressions of the wisdom of humankind. Authentic, poetic translations of key texts are coupled with insightful introductions and "grace notes."

An Introduction Pearson College Division  
"Religions speak in symbols--fire, cloud, hills and high places, darkness and light, incense, candles, colors. Religions, though, perhaps love water best. Buddhists use water for blessing. Hindus purify themselves in rivers. Christians undergo baptism in water as a rite of initiation. Followers of Islam and Shinto cleanse themselves with water before prayer. Water means change, purification, and new beginnings. Because water can signify so much to us, it is the major symbol of this book. By studying many religions, we also hope to be cleansed and brought to new life. This book was written for my students. Keeping their needs in mind, I have tried to provide what is essential and

to present it in clear language. I want to talk about doctrine and practice. Yet I also hope to show some of those things that have captivated me: religious music, art, and architecture. I want to show my respect for all religious traditions, both in a scholarly and an approachable way.

Finally, I hope to invite students not only to read about religions, but also to experience them firsthand. It is like the difference between reading maps of a country and then actually traveling on its roads and seeing its sights. Experience brings the prize"--

*The World's Wisdom* Simon and Schuster  
Revealing the significance of religion in contemporary life, *World Religions Today*, Sixth Edition, explores major religious traditions--Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, South Asian religions, East Asian religions, indigenous religions, and new religions--as dynamic, ongoing forces in the lives of individuals and in the collective experience of modern societies. This unique volume

accomplishes two goals: it connects today's religions to their classical beliefs and practices and focuses on how these religions have both radically changed the modern world and been changed by it. The book is enhanced by numerous pedagogical aids--text boxes, timelines, maps, illustrations, discussion questions, a comprehensive glossary of key terms, and suggestions for further reading--and more than 200 photographs. World Religions Today, Sixth Edition, is also available as two separate volumes: Religions of Asia Today, Fourth Edition: 978-0-19-064242-6 Religions of the West Today, Fourth Edition: 978-0-19-064241-9 A Guide to the Essentials Don Mills, Ont. : Oxford University Press

Buddhism: Introducing the Buddhist Experience, Second Edition, focuses on the depth of Buddhist experience as expressed in the teachings and practices of its religious and philosophical traditions. Taking a broad and inclusive approach, this unique work spans over 2,500 years, offering chapters on Buddhism's origins in India; Theravada and Mahayana Buddhism; and Buddhism in Southeast Asia, Tibet, China, Korea, and Japan. It also

includes an extensive discussion of modern, socially engaged Buddhism and a concluding chapter on the spread of Buddhism to the West. Author Donald W. Mitchell provides substantial selections of primary text material throughout that illustrate a great variety of moral, cultural, psychological, meditative, and spiritual Buddhist experiences. Buddhism features twenty-two boxed personal narratives by respected Buddhist leaders and scholars, including His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Dharma Master Sheng Yen, Dharma Master Cheng Yen, Jeffrey Hopkins, Sulak Sivaraksa, Rita M. Gross, Chatsumarn Kabilsingh, and Robert Aitken. The text also includes photographs, maps, a pronunciation guide, and a glossary of technical terms. Integrating more information about how Buddhism is actually practiced around the world today, the second edition adds six brief end-of-chapter essays by scholars and practitioners on cultural experiences of Buddhism in Thailand, Tibet, China, Korea, Japan, and America. Ideal for courses in Buddhism, Asian religions, and Asian philosophy, this edition also offers additional photographs, new sections on

topics like Buddhist cosmology, expanded coverage of Buddhism and globalization, and updated suggestions for further reading.

### **Confucianism as a World Religion**

Baker Academic

A new and expanded edition of a highly successful textbook on world religions with a comparative approach which explores how six major religions are lived and expressed through their customs, rituals and everyday practices. A new edition of this major textbook, exploring the world's great religions through their customs, rituals and everyday practices by focusing on the 'lived experience' This comparative study is enriched and broadened with the inclusion of a sixth religion, Daoism Takes a thematic, comparative and practical approach; each chapter explores a series of key themes including birth, death, ethics, and worship across all six religions at each time Broadens students' understanding by offering an impartial discussion of the similarities and differences between each religion Includes an increased range of student-friendly features, designed to allow students to engage with each religion and extend their

understanding

The Fifth Dimension McGraw-Hill  
Humanities, Social Sciences & World  
Languages

An essential introduction to the world's  
living religions by experts from each  
tradition -- published in conjunction with  
the 1993 Parliament of the World's  
Religions.

**Buddhism** Oxford University Press, USA  
The case for a bigger, more complete  
picture of reality in which a fifth, spiritual  
dimension plays a central role Many of us  
today are all too willing to accept a  
humanist and scientific account of the  
universe which considers human existence  
as a fleeting accident. The triumph of John  
Hick's gripping work is his exposure of the  
radical insufficiency of this view. Drawing  
on mystical and religious traditions ancient  
and modern, and spiritual thinkers as  
diverse as Julian of Norwich and Mahatma  
Ghandi, he has produced a tightly argued  
and thoroughly readable case for a bigger,  
more complete, picture of reality in which  
a fifth, spiritual dimension, plays a central  
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*Nine Practices for Creating Peace and  
Balance from the World's Spiritual  
Traditions* McGraw-Hill Humanities/Social  
Sciences/Languages  
Ideal for courses in Asian or Eastern  
religions, *Religions of Asia Today*, Fourth  
Edition, covers the same material  
contained in the authors' longer textbook,  
*World Religions Today*, Sixth Edition, while  
also featuring a unique chapter on Islam in  
Asia. Revealing the significance of religion  
in contemporary life, it explores Hinduism,  
Buddhism, South Asian religions, East  
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new religions as dynamic, ongoing forces  
in the lives of individuals and in the  
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This unique volume accomplishes two  
goals: it connects today's religions to their  
classical beliefs and practices and focuses  
on how these religions have both radically  
changed the modern world and been  
changed by it. Thoroughly revised, the  
fourth edition features streamlined  
content for greater accessibility; updated  
material on recent world events; and  
updated timelines.

*On Common Ground* Experiencing the  
World's Religions

After experiencing a crisis of faith, Sage  
Bennet looked to the practices of the  
world's religions for help. In *Wisdom Walk*,  
she beautifully outlines nine of these  
teachings, making them accessible  
without diminishing them, while exploring  
the essential beliefs of each tradition.  
From Hinduism: Create a home altar. From  
Buddhism: Meditate and find peace. From  
Islam: Surrender to prayer. From  
Christianity: Forgive yourself and others.  
From Judaism: Make time for the Sabbath.  
From Native American spirituality: Let  
nature be your teacher. From Taoism: Go  
with the flow. From New Thought: Catch  
God's vision of your life. From all  
traditions: Offer yourself in service to

others. *Wisdom Walk* provides a simple, easy-to-follow guide for bringing the world's spiritual traditions into your own life through practical, powerful rituals.

**World Religions** Penguin

The updated guide to differences - and similarities - of faiths around the world. In this revised and updated edition of the popular guide to the many faiths followed around the world, modern and ancient religions are extensively covered as well as New Thought religions. This edition also now features a chapter on Sikhism, more coverage of religious extremism in the 21st century, a new chapter on the afterlife, and additional online resources making it the most up-to-date volume available. ? Outdoes the competition with more chapters on current and ancient religions ? Appeals to students, theologians, and those generally interesting in religions around the world.

Wisdom Walk HarperOne

What Jesus as his teachings mean to contemporary Buddhists, Hindus, Muslims, Jews, and Christians in the context of their traditions and in their personal faith experiences.

World Religions Today New World Library

The major religions of the world are a mystery to many high school teens. Now you can help them unlock the doors of these traditions with our new text, *World Religions: A Voyage of Discovery*. The book is an introductory survey that helps eleventh and twelfth graders understand the people, dimensions, and religious principles of the world's major religions. The textbook includes a chapter on each of eleven major world religions, including Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and others. The text offers the Catholic perspective on interreligious dialogue, an overview of basic questions that religions address, and Ninian Smart's seven dimensions of religion. A glossary and word pronunciations in each chapter help students learn unfamiliar terms. In addition, the second edition of this text incorporates the following new features: a new chapter on modern trends in religion; new, more detailed maps; a new section on the Aztec religion of Mesoamerica; a sidebar in each chapter offering examples of the seven dimensions of religion; and review questions at the end of each chapter.

*The Seven World Religions Introduced by*

*Preeminent Scholars from Each Tradition* Ashgate Publishing, Ltd.

Ninian Smart came to public prominence as the founding Professor of the first British university Department of Religious Studies in the late 1960s. His pioneering views on education in religion proved hugely influential at all levels, from primary schools to academic teaching and research. An unending string of publications, many of them accessible to the general public, sustained a reputation that became worldwide. Here, for the first time, a selection of Ninian Smart's wide-ranging writings is organised systematically under a set of categories which both comprehend and also illuminate his varied output over a career spanning half a century. The editor, John Shepherd, was Principal Lecturer in Religion and Philosophy at the University of Cumbria. He first met Smart as a postgraduate student, and recently helped establish the Ninian Smart Archive at the University of Lancaster.

World Religions in America Oxford University Press, USA

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automatically packaged with this text. To purchase MySearchLab, please visit: [www.mysearchlab.com](http://www.mysearchlab.com) or you can purchase a Valuepack of the text + MySearchLab (at no additional cost): ValuePack ISBN-10: 0205895719 / ValuePack ISBN-13: 9780205895717 *An Anatomy of the World's Beliefs* Routledge Experiencing the World's Religions McGraw-Hill Humanities/Social Sciences/Languages

### **AN EXPLORATION OF THE SPIRITUAL REALM**

John Wiley & Sons  
Combining text, video, graphics, music, and the voices of believers, this work maps a diverse culture of faith. It is resource that helps you find comprehensive multimedia summaries of the fundamental beliefs and practices of various faiths and the transformation of old traditions.

#### **Anthology of World Scriptures**

Cambridge University Press  
World Religions: Canadian Perspectives-- Eastern Traditions provides students with a solid introduction to the study of world

religions and highlights how Canadians have both experienced and shaped these religions. This text covers areas traditionally considered to be foundational, while also including material to address contemporary concerns. By addressing both the historical and the current impacts of religion, students come to learn how, in our increasingly globalized world, religions intersect and influence each other.

### **The Illustrated World's Religions**

Cengage Learning

Standing at the crossroads of psychology and religion, this catalyzing work applied the scientific method to a field abounding in abstract theory. William James believed that individual religious experiences, rather than the precepts of organized religions, were the backbone of the world's religious life. His discussions of conversion, repentance, mysticism and saintliness, and his observations on actual, personal religious experiences - all support this thesis. In his introduction, Martin E. Marty discusses how James's pluralistic

view of religion led to his remarkable tolerance of extreme forms of religious behaviour, his challenging, highly original theories, and his welcome lack of pretension in all of his observations on the individual and the divine.

[Experiencing the World's Religions](#) Saint Mary's Press

Is Confucianism a religion? If so, why do most Chinese think it isn't? From ancient Confucian temples, to nineteenth-century archives, to the testimony of people interviewed by the author throughout China over a period of more than a decade, this book traces the birth and growth of the idea of Confucianism as a world religion. The book begins at Oxford, in the late nineteenth century, when Friedrich Max Müller and James Legge classified Confucianism as a world religion in the new discourse of "world religions" and the emerging discipline of comparative religion. Anna Sun shows how that decisive moment continues to

influence the understanding of Confucianism in the contemporary world, not only in the West but also in China, where the politics of Confucianism has become important to the present regime in a time of transition. Contested histories of Confucianism are vital signs of social and political change. Sun also examines the revival of Confucianism in contemporary China and the social significance of the ritual practice of Confucian temples. While the Chinese government turns to Confucianism to justify its political agenda, Confucian activists have started a movement to turn Confucianism into a religion. Confucianism as a world religion might have begun as a scholarly construction, but are we witnessing its transformation into a social and political reality? With historical analysis, extensive research, and thoughtful reflection, Confucianism as a World Religion will engage all those interested in religion and global politics at the beginning of the Chinese century.

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