World Religions and Nature

World Religions · Answer Key · 20 Questions

1. In Hinduism, which animal is considered sacred and often associated with the goddess Lakshmi?

A) Cow
B) Elephant
C) Tiger
D) Monkey

2. In Islamic tradition, which animal is known for having been the companion of the Prophet Muhammad during the Hijra?

A) Camel
B) Horse
C) Donkey
D) Sheep

3. In Buddhism, which animal is often depicted as a symbol of strength and is said to have guarded the Buddha's birth?

A) Elephant
B) Lion
C) Snake
D) Eagle

4. Which animal is considered sacred in Ancient Egyptian religion and was often associated with the goddess Bastet?

A) Cat
B) Dog
C) Hawk
D) Crocodile

5. In Jainism, the concept of Ahimsa emphasizes the protection of all living beings, including the smallest insects. What does Ahimsa mean?

A) Non-violence
B) Prayer
C) Fasting
D) Meditation

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6. In the Shinto religion of Japan, which animal is often viewed as a messenger of the deity Inari?

A) Fox
B) Rabbit
C) Deer
D) Crane

7. Which bird is considered a sacred messenger in many Indigenous Australian Dreamtime stories?

A) Raven
B) Eagle
C) Owl
D) Parrot

8. In Judaism, which animal is forbidden to be eaten because it does not chew the cud, even though it has a split hoof?

A) Pig
B) Rabbit
C) Camel
D) Hyrax

9. In some traditions of Hinduism, which animal is known as the mount (vahana) of the god Ganesha?

A) Mouse
B) Snake
C) Peacock
D) Bull

10. In Zoroastrianism, which animal is considered especially sacred and protected as a 'good creature'?

A) Dog
B) Cat
C) Lion
D) Snake

11. Which plant is famously associated with the Buddha's enlightenment under its shade?

A) Bodhi Tree
B) Lotus
C) Banyan Tree
D) Bamboo

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12. In Christianity, which bird is traditionally used as a symbol for the Holy Spirit?

A) Dove
B) Sparrow
C) Eagle
D) Raven

13. In Sikhism, which animal is often used as a symbol of courage and is part of the name of many followers (Singh)?

A) Lion
B) Tiger
C) Elephant
D) Wolf

14. Which flower is highly significant in Buddhism and Hinduism, often representing purity as it grows from muddy water?

A) Lotus
B) Rose
C) Lily
D) Sunflower

15. In ancient Norse religion, which animal was considered sacred to the god Thor?

A) Goat
B) Bear
C) Wolf
D) Raven

16. In Taoism, the concept of 'Wu Wei' is often compared to the natural flow of which element?

A) Water
B) Fire
C) Earth
D) Wind

17. In the tradition of the Torah, which animal's ram horn is used to create the Shofar?

A) Ram
B) Bull
C) Deer
D) Goat

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18. Which animal is considered sacred in the Thai Buddhist tradition and is protected by the government?

A) White Elephant
B) Tiger
C) Cobra
D) Monkey

19. In many Native American spiritual traditions, which animal is revered as a symbol of abundance and provided food, clothing, and shelter?

A) Bison
B) Bear
C) Wolf
D) Coyote

20. In the Bible, which animal is recorded as being sent out from the Ark by Noah to see if the floodwaters had receded?

A) Raven
B) Dove
C) Eagle
D) Hawk