January 20

EQ- What is the difference between ethnic and universalizing religions? What are the basic facts about the three major universalizing religions?

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HW- Create a poster about one of the three major universalizing religions. Get your money and permission slip turned in!
**Religion** - a system of faith and worship, usually centered around one or multiple gods

**Universalizing Religion** - a religion that seeks to appeal to all people and spreads globally

**Ethnic Religion** - a religion that is usually located in one area, doesn’t seek to convert or appeal to others outside of the area
1. The present day distribution of the Basques suggests that as the Indo-Europeans advanced across the landscape, this group retreated and sought refuge in the
   a. Alps
   b. Pyrenees
   c. Apennines
   d. Shetlands
   e. Carpathians

2. In the early 21st century, the largest number of refugees is located on which of the following continents:
   a. Africa
   b. Australia
   c. Europe
   d. North America
   e. South America
# Top 10 Religions in the World

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<td>1.</td>
<td>Christianity</td>
<td>2.1 billion</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Islam</td>
<td>1.3 billion</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Hinduism</td>
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<td>Buddhism</td>
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<td>10.</td>
<td>Shintoism</td>
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*NOTE: Numbers from mid-2004. This list includes only organized religions and excludes more loosely defined.*
The Roots of Religion

**Animism (Shamanism)** - the belief that all objects, animals, and beings are “animated” or possess a spirit and a conscious life. Also called **shamanism** because of the prominence of a Shaman.

- Such beliefs are common among hunter-gatherers. These were the first people
- 10% of Africans follow such traditional ethnic religions.
- These beliefs are losing ground to Christianity and Islam throughout Africa.
How do Universalizing and Ethnic Religions Differ?

**Universalizing**
- Appeal to people everywhere
- Individual founder (prophet)
- Message diffused widely (missionaries) → Seek to convert
- Followers distributed widely.
- Holidays based on events in founder’s life.
- Ex: Christianity - Islam - Buddhism

**Ethnic**
- Has meaning in particular place only.
- Unknown source.
- Content focused on place and landscape of origin.
- Doesn’t seek to convert others
- Followers highly clustered.
- Holidays based on local climate and agricultural practice.
- Ex: Hinduism, Judaism