

RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE ACTIVITY – INTERFAITH FOUR SQUARES
 (ADAPTED FROM TDSJ2, APPENDICES 11N & 11O)

This activity can be used for community building, as a scavenger hunt, or as an active way to raise informational questions about different religious and faith traditions in the US.

Participants are given the handouts and asked to move around the room to find different people who know the answers to each one of the questions. They then write the answer in the box with the name of the person who answered question. They then continue to the next person, to answer another one of the questions and continue around the room until they have answered all of the questions in the spaces provided.

Who was Lao Tzu?	Who was the founder of the Mormon faith?	What is a Sikh house of worship called?	What is the significance of Easter?
What is the significance of Jerusalem for Jews, Muslims and Christians?	What are the four major strands of Buddhism?	What are the Jewish “high holy days”?	What is the world’s holiest site for Muslims? What is the term used for the journey to this holy site?
What is the holy book for Sikhs?	What is the name of the most sacred river for Hindus?	What is the significance of the year 1056 for Eastern Orthodox, Greek Orthodox Christians?	What is the name for the teachings of Buddha that are handed down in a collection of writings?
What are the Gospels? What are their names?	To what historical figure do Jews and Muslims trace their lineage?	Who or what are Kachinas, to whom are they important, and why?	What is the name of the holy book for Muslims?

INTERFAITH FOUR SQUARES: ANSWER SHEET

<p>Who was Lao Tzu?</p> <p><i>Author of Tao –Te Ching</i></p>	<p>Who was the founder of the Mormon faith?</p> <p><i>Joseph Smith</i></p>	<p>What is a Sikh house of worship called?</p> <p><i>Gurdwara</i></p>	<p>What is the significance of Easter?</p> <p><i>Christ’s resurrection following the Crucifixion</i></p>
<p>What is the significance of Jerusalem for Jews, Muslims and Christians?</p> <p><i>For Christians: Where Jesus died and was resurrected</i> <i>For Jews: Wailing Wall – sites of two Jewish Temples</i> <i>For Muslims: Site of the Al-Asqa Mosque – where Mohammed ascended to Heaven</i></p>	<p>What are the four major strands of Buddhism?</p> <p><i>Mahayana Theravada Tibetan Modern</i></p>	<p>What are the Jewish “high holy days”?</p> <p><i>Rosh HaShanah (the New Year) opens and Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement) closes the “Ten Days of Penitence”</i></p>	<p>What is the world’s holiest site for Muslims? What is called when a Muslim goes there?</p> <p><i>Mecca in Saudi Arabia</i> <i>Hajj</i></p>
<p>What is the holy book for Sikhs?</p> <p><i>Guru Granth Sahib</i></p>	<p>What is the name of the most sacred river for Hindus?</p> <p><i>Ganges</i></p>	<p>What is the significance of the year 1056 for the Eastern Orthodox?</p> <p><i>The year of the “Great Schism”</i></p>	<p>The name for the teachings of Buddha that are handed down in a collection of Writings?</p> <p><i>Tripitaka</i></p>
<p>What are the Gospels? What are their names?</p> <p><i>The narratives of the life of Jesus.</i> <i>Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John</i></p>	<p>To what historical figure do Jews and Muslims trace their lineage?</p> <p><i>Abraham</i></p>	<p>Who or what are Kachinas, to whom are they important, and why?</p> <p><i>Kachinas are spiritual beings who are intermediaries from the sacred world for the Hopi. Kachinas are also dancers who identify with Kachinas, and they are also the dolls given to Hopi children to teach them during religious ceremonies.</i></p>	<p>What is the name of the holy book for Muslims?</p> <p><i>Qu’ran (anglicized as Koran)</i></p>