

Read the texts and match them with their name and symbols.

Text 1

- In this religion forgiveness of others plays an important role in spiritual life and it is one of the spiritual duties of a believer.
- A believer of this religion is encouraged to forgive unconditionally (no conditions for the one being forgiven), many times if necessary, including forgiving the enemies.
- The believers' trespasses (or "wrongs" or "sins" or "karmic debts") will be forgiven to the extent that they forgive others' wrongs.
- This religion also promotes seeking forgiveness for what you did wrong. As a believer, you should feel sorry for what you did, try to make things right and not to repeat the offending behaviour.

Text 2

- Forgiveness is seen as a practice to prevent harmful emotions from affecting one's sense of well-being. This religion recognizes that feelings of hatred and ill-will leave a lasting effect on our mind and that forgiveness encourages the cultivation of positive emotions. This religion places emphasis on the concepts of loving-kindness, compassion and sympathetic joy to avoid resentment in the first place.
- When resentments arise, the believer is encouraged to meditate and think about the nature of reality. Emotions like anger and hatred are based on projections and ignorance, not on wisdom and awareness. The believer's purpose is to realize anger is only temporary.

Text 3

- According to this faith, if person A harms person B, but then sincerely and honestly apologizes to person B and tries to rectify the wrong, the wronged/hurt person B is required to forgive person A.
- But if the wrongdoer (person A) does **not** apologize, there is no religious obligation for person B to forgive. This is because this religion is focused on the personal responsibility of the wrongdoer.

It is the wrongdoer's responsibility to recognize their mistake and to seek forgiveness from those who have been harmed.

- In any case, a believer may forgive if they want, even if the offender has not apologized.
- A person cannot be forgiven by God for wrongs they have done to others. A person can only obtain forgiveness from God for wrongs done to God.

Text 4

- The name of this religion is derived from the Semitic word *slm* meaning “peace” and forgiveness can be considered a condition for genuine peace. This religion makes some allowance for violence but only to defend faith, property or life. Still forgiveness is held as the best way to behave whenever possible.
- Although this religion allows revenge, depending on how much harm was done, forgiveness is seen as a virtue bringing honor and even taking away evil deeds.

Text 5

- Asking for forgiveness is an integral part of this religion. Karma is a sum of all that an individual has done, is doing and will do. This religion believes that our deeds bring in our life present and future experiences, thus making us responsible for our life, and for the pain we may have caused another.
- Forgiveness is considered one of the virtues of this religion. If you don't forgive, you carry a baggage of memories of the wrong, of negative feelings, of anger and unresolved emotions that affect their present as well as future.
- This religion also encourage a person to seek forgiveness if one has wronged someone else. Forgiveness is to be sought from the harmed person, as well as from society at large, by acts of charity, purification, fasting, rituals and meditation.

HINDUISM symbol <https://www.ancient-symbols.com/images/hindu-symbols/250/om.jpg>

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The symbol represents the three aspects of God: the Brahma (A), the Vishny (U) and the Shiva (M)

ISLAM symbol <https://nexusnovel.files.wordpress.com/2007/01/islam2.jpg?w=93&h=106>

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The symbol represents The Star & Crescent Moon

JUDAISM symbol <https://nexusnovel.files.wordpress.com/2007/01/star-of-david.jpg?w=89&h=96>

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The symbol represents The Star of Davidd

BUDDHISM symbol <https://nexusnovel.files.wordpress.com/2007/01/dharma-wheel.jpg?w=172&h=201>

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The symbol represents the Wheel of Dharma, Symbolizing the Cycle of Rebirth & Death.

CHRISTIANITY symbol

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The symbol is a representation of the instrument of Jesus' crucifixion.