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Religious Diversity

By: Amy

There are a lot of diverse rituals in religion. In some tribes in Africa, they offer sacrifices to God. Sometimes they may even sacrifice a person to their God. Their God is more important to them than their ethics.

I have encountered many kinds of religious people around me so far. Now days I have seen some Islamic people start fasting during the daytime for an entire month. They could not eat any food or even drink water during the day. It is considered a great holy ceremony for them. Each religion has their own ceremonies and tenants. For their believers, following the rules without question is most important to them, but, some of the rules could harm the followers very dangerously. Most followers who believe in God are grateful to him for their peace and happiness. They donate money or their treasures and they pray and bow to their religious symbols. Every year a lot of missionaries guide people to follow their religion. Religion is your own taste or preference, but you should recognize the sweet honey can be a deadly poison.

There are many people of different faiths, but most importantly we should respect each other. That is more important than who is right and who is wrong. I believe God would want that. When people think about discrimination the first thing they think about is race, but it also includes religion.



Hawaiian Travel Plans

By: Haekweon

A visit to Hawaii with my family will leave an unforgettable impression on our memory. We are going to depart in the early morning on October 19, 2007 and stay for 5 days at Oahu island in Hawaii. There are six primary islands in Hawaii: Kauai, Oahu, Molokai, Lanai, Maui, and Hawaii's Big island. Oahu, the third largest island in Hawaii, is called the "Heart of Hawaii". The reason is because it has a lot of famous tourist attractions, such as Waikiki beach, Pearl Harbor, Diamond Head Crater, Dole Plantation, and the Polynesian Cultural Center. Also, there are water adventures such as wind surfing, snorkeling, a submarine tour, deep sea fishing, whale watching and lots of shopping malls. Particularly, Ala Moana Center is America's largest outdoor mall. We will go sightseeing and enjoy everything. The first day, our family is going to spend our entire time sunbathing at Waikiki beach and playing in the water. During the past seven months that my family has been in the U.S, we haven't ever been to the seashore. The next day, we will see some famous places and experience snorkeling. We will visit Pearl Harbor that was suddenly attacked by naval and air forces from Japan and visit Diamond Head Crater, Dole Plantation, Polynesian Cultural Center that see Hawaii's largest evening show such as the "Hula". Then, we will enjoy snorkeling and look at a whole new underwater world and colorful, tropical fishes. I don't know it well, but Becky Tiesman, who teaches newspaper and other subjects at IEI in the University of Memphis, recommended snorkeling to me a few days ago. Finally, we will go shopping at the Ala Moana Center or another shopping mall. We have 5 days to travel. Now my family and I are looking forward to our trip. I will go back with unforgettable memories in Hawaii with my family.



Television Viewing

By: Woo Chang

Should we watch television? Do you think the society in which most people watch television is a healthy society or where most people do not watch television is a healthy society? Some people say that television not only offers us a lot of useful information, but also entertains us with various programs. Of course, there are good programs on television. However, I strongly believe that there is much more harm than benefit gained from watching television. The two fundamental reasons are that television not only makes us residual products of consumer culture but produces lots of useless information.

Television does not allow us to be content by endlessly showing better goods and better people than you. Numerous advertisements incite people to purchase up-to-date products, and handsome actors and actresses in good shape on television boost cosmetic surgery. Let us hypothesize that you bought an "iPod nano 2G" at Walmart two weeks ago. You did not have any problem using this stuff, and you were satisfied with the diverse and useful functions. One day, you watched a commercial introducing a brand new product, an iPod touch. The iPod touch has a bigger LCD, better interface, and 8G capacity. Actually, you do not need 8G capacity and bigger LCD because you just like to listen to music and 2G capacity is enough to put your favorite songs on it. But suddenly, your iPod looks as though it is old-fashioned and shabby.

In addition, the endless stream of waste information on television only takes up our precious time. Many people like to watch entertainment channels such as "On Style and Showbiz Tonight." There is always unproven exuberant gossip about star performers on these channels. "Angelina Jolie in Danger!" "Britney Spears will get engaged to Justin Timberlake!" so what? Many people spend their valuable time watching these useless programs. We do not have any trouble living without information about show business.

i Why Don't You have a Honey?

By: Chanhee

If you don't have a honey, I want you do this mental exercise. It can find what is your condition in love and give you some suggestions.

If you imagine a garden, what does it look like?
Choose from these four gardens:

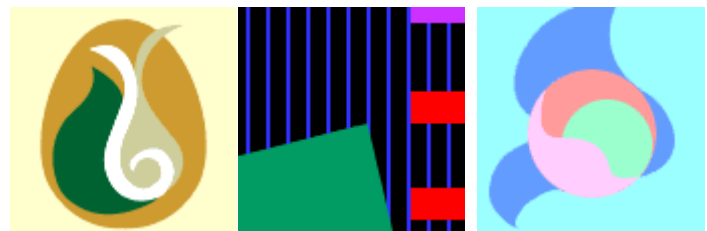
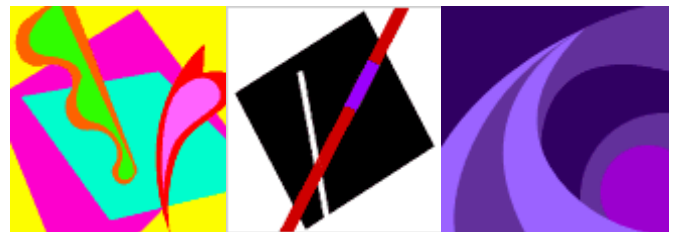
1. Sunshine can't shine through the trees because the trees are too thick.
2. The trees are thick, but sunshine can peek through the garden a little.
3. Just a huge tree in the center of the garden.
4. Many trees are young and not grown yet.

1. You are just waiting for someone who makes you fall in love for the first time. So you want to feel love for the first time. You want it to be your destiny to meet someone and fall in love. You have a lot of the **opposite** sex friends but no one special to be your honey. You are not satisfied if the other person is not perfect, so you are always alone..

2. Others don't consider you a potential mate. You have to think about this because you are so comfortable with **opposite** sex friends. Namely, some of your opposite sex friends are doing some charming things. You will find a good boy or girl friend. Think about your expectations of yourself.

3. May be you have a potential honey in your life, but you can't express your feelings for him or her. When you don't express your feelings, it seems like you don't have an interest in them or you are avoiding them. So they can't tell whether you like them or not. Namely, you always lose your chances for having a honey. You should express your thoughts to them bravely.

4. You don't have any experience about falling in love. You don't know about the opposite sex friends yet, so you are **inexperienced in love**. Because of that you don't want to get a real lovely honey. Look! Your experience of love is starting right now!!



Which shape do you like the best?

Ask Hanjun what this says about your personality.



