**Religion in the Middle East Graphic Organizer**

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|  | **Christianity**http://www.religious-symbols.net/Pictures/christian-symbols_1.png | **Islam**http://www.religious-symbols.net/Pictures/islam-symbols_1.png | **Judaism**http://www.templateof.com/postpic/2015/06/judaism-symbols_293467.jpg |
| **Followers Worldwide****(Based on 2012 estimates)** | 2.2 Billion | 1.6 billion | 14 million |
| **Name of Deity/Creator** | God | God “Allah” | God “Yahweh" |
| **Founder** | Jesus | Mohammed | Abraham |
| **Holy Book** | Holy Bible | Qur’an | Torah |
| **Worship****Leaders** | Priests, ministers, pastors, chaplains, reverends | Imams | Rabbis |
| **Place of Worship** | Church / cathedral | Mosque | Synagogues |
| **Basic Beliefs/****Guidelines/****Rituals/****Celebrations** | **Christmas** – birth of Jesus**Lent** – 40 days of fasting and praying in the desert before death**Easter** – resurrection of Jesus | **Five Pillars of Faith**1. declare faith
2. pray 5 times a day facing Mecca
3. give to charity
4. fasting during Ramadan
5. pilgrimage to Mecca during lifetime
 | **Rosh Hashanah -**  Jewish New Year**Hanukkah –** Festival of Lights**Passover –** celebrate freedom from Egypt and delivery of 10 commandments by Moses |