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Empires of India - Vocab Cards

asceticism]>

the practice of living a simple life with few material or physical pleasures, usually for religious reasons.

In many religions, _asceticism_ is believed to bring one closer to God.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

Buddhism]>

a religion formed from Siddhartha Gautama's teachings that desire causes suffering but that enlightenment is possible through wisdom and virtue. It is a major religion in parts of Asia and of the world.

There are many parts of _Buddhism_ that appeal to me, like being free from material wants.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

caste]>

one of the ranked social classes in Hindu society.

The Brahmin _caste_ is the most privileged of the Hindu classes.

Synonyms: class, rank



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dynasty]>

a family of rulers that are in power in a country; the period of time when a country is led by members of the same family.

The last family _dynasty_ ruled China until 1912.



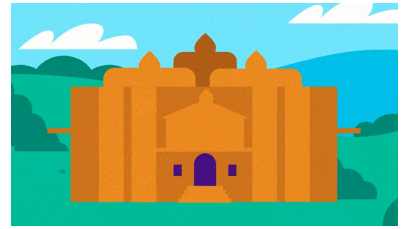
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Gupta Empire]>

a large empire on the Indian subcontinent that existed the early fourth century to the late sixth century CE.

At its height in the fourth century CE, the _Gupta Empire_ spanned the majority of the Indian subcontinent.



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Jainism]>

a religion that emerged in India in the sixth century BCE. Adherents aim to achieve liberation of the soul through a life of nonviolence, austerity, and truth-seeking.

People who practice _Jainism_ are vegetarian, as they do not believe in doing harm to animals.



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Mahabharata]>

the longest epic poem ever written. It tells of Hindu mythology and was completed in India in the fourth century CE.

The _Mahabharata_ is about 1.8 million words. That's 10 times the length of the Iliad and the Odyssey combined!



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Maurya Empire]>

a large Iron Age empire on the Indian subcontinent that existed from around 322 BCE to 185 BCE.

The _Maurya Empire_ was founded by Chandragupta Maurya, who consolidated power following the death of Alexander the Great.



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