**World Religions PBL Project**

It is exciting and meaningful to study what people believe!

**Our driving question is: How can religious similarities promote greater understanding?**

We will first consider what religion is, and why we must always be respectful when discussing religious beliefs. We will then examine the religions of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism.

In addition, we will frame our understanding of world religions through four lenses to help guide us as we study. The lenses are: **Rituals and Observances, Holidays, Supreme Beings, and Values and Beliefs.**

**As we study together, we will be working on organizing our thoughts through research as students of history, and presenting them in a meaningful way.**

**The format for the presentations will be one of the following: A Prezi, a Google Slides presentation, a movie, a book, an essay, or a creative option of your own design that meets the standards listed below.**

The following topic must be included in every presentation:

**A meaningful comparison of the similarities of five of the religions we are studying.**

In addition, every student must study, research, and then incorporate **one** of the following lenses in their presentation:

1. **Become an expert in the holidays of the five religions we studied, at least one holiday each.**
2. **Explore and share the rituals/observances of the five religions we studied, at least one each.**
3. **Examine the concept of a supreme being in the five religions we studied, one each.**