

	<b>Symbols</b>	<b>Place of worship</b>	<b>Beliefs</b>	<b>Hierarchy</b>
<b>Hinduism</b>	Aum(OM) (the mystical mantra, the voice which create Universe), The Mandala (the symmetrical picture showing perfection), Swastika	temple, ashram (a place where Masters share their teachings)	The countless pantheon of gods (main are three: Brahman, Krisna and Visnu), but all of them are only avatars of the Highest Absolute named Atman; Karma - the unprejudiced Law of all Universe (“you reap what you saw”); Samsara - the endless road of human suffering, lifetime after lifetime (reincarnation); Moksha – the end of this road, the unification with Atman; and Yoga – system of practises to attain Moksha; all Hindus unite only two things: the cult of holy cow and mantra AUM	Brahmin – the member of highest priestly caste; Sadhu – the holy wonderer on road to Moksha (Yoga practiser)
<b>Christianity</b>	Cross: the crucifix for Catholics, the crux orthodoxy for Orthodox, and the unadorned cross for Protestants, fish, anchor	church	The Trinity – the Father, the Son (incarnate as Jesus of Nazareth), and the Holy Spirit; Jesus Christ as God and Human in one person, Jesus Christ as Road, True and Salvation, Crucifixion and Resurrection, The Second Coming (parousia) and the Last Judgement; The Afterlife, Communion of Saints, cult of Virgin Mary (not in protestant denomination)	Pope in Catholic Church; Patriarch in Orthodox Church; bishops
<b>Buddhism</b>	Dharma wheel (the wheel with eight spokes which symbolize the Noble Eightfold Path), The Mandala,	temple	Siddhartha Gautama – the first Buddha our times who get us Dharma (the road to Great Enlightenment) which is especially The Four Noble Truths: 1. All worldly life is unsatisfactory, disjointed, containing suffering. 2. There is a cause of suffering, which is attachment or desire rooted in ignorance 3. There is an end of suffering, which is Nirvana. 4. There is a path that leads out of suffering, known as the Noble Eightfold Path; in Buddhism there is no god because all of us have got Buddha-nature and only yourself can realize it	Dalajlama in Diamond Vehicle (Tibetan Buddhism); Patriarchs in Zen; Monks
<b>Judaism</b>	The seven-branched Menorah, David’s Star	synagogue	God is one, powerful , non-physical, non-corporeal, and eternal. Moses was the chief of all prophets., The Torah (five books of Moses) is the primary text of Judaism., God chose the Jewish people to be in a unique covenant with Him by act of circumcision, Shabbat – the holy Saturday; There will be a moshiach	Rabbi
<b>Islam</b>	Muslims do not accept any symbols. Many people assume that the star and crescent symbolize Islam	mosque	1. Belief in God (Allah), the one and only one worthy of all worship. 2. Belief in all the prophets and messengers sent by God. (mains are: Adam, Abraham, Moses, Jesus and the last one is Muhammad) 3. Belief in the books sent by God: Qur'an, Injil, Zabur, Tawrat. 4. Belief in the Angels. 5. Belief in the Day of Judgement and in the life after death (heaven and hell). 6. Belief in Fate	There is no head of Islam religion. In every country there is one man responsible for law of Islam.