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India and Other Countries of South Asia

1. What is the majority religion in India?

2. Explain some of the basic beliefs of Hinduism in the table below:

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| **Belief** | **Explanation** |
| Brahma |  |
| Animals |  |
| Ganges River |  |
| Reincarnation |  |

3. What is the caste system? 4. Draw a picture detailing the caste system in India.

5. How does the caste system relate to religious beliefs in India?

6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Indians live in rural villages.

7. Describe what villages in India look like.

8. Describe the diet of Indians in villages. 9. Define **joint family system**.

10. What are cities in India like?

11. Where is it better to live in the opinion of an Indian, a city or a village? Why?

12. Describe the slums of India.

13. What are ghats and why are they important to Indian culture/religion?

14. List four ways that India is improving economically.

15. Describe what Pakistan looks like physically.

16. Why is irrigation so important in Pakistan?

17. What is the main religion in Pakistan?

18. What is a major national challenge that Pakistan currently faces?

19. How did Afghanistan become so ethnically diverse? Why has it stayed that way?

20. Describe the Soviet Union’s involvement in Afghanistan from 1979-1989. What happened when they left Afghanistan?

21. Most of Bangladesh is an enormous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made up of what three rivers?

22. What is the climate of Bangladesh like? Describe the country in good and bad times in regards to the weather.

23. What mountain range runs through Nepal and Bhutan?

24. What are the lowlands like in Nepal and Bhutan? The highlands?

25. The majority religion in Nepal is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and in Bhutan it is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

26. Describe how each of these countries feels about foreigners in the present day.

27. What does Sri Lanka mean?

28. What is deforestation and how does it affect Sri Lanka?

29. Describe the problem between the Sinhalese and Tamils in Sri Lanka.