

SECTION 3 HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

3.2 Religions and Belief Systems

Use with Physical & Human Geography,
Section 3.2, in your textbook.

Reading and Note-Taking Take Notes

As you read Section 3.2, use the chart below to help you identify religions and their beliefs.

Religion	Beliefs
Christianity	There is one God, and Jesus is the Son of God.

Compare What are a few things that some of these religions have in common?

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Vocabulary Practice

KEY VOCABULARY

• **monotheistic** (mahn-oh-thee-IHS-tihk) religion n.,
a religion with a belief in one god or deity

• **polytheistic** (pawl-ee-thee-IHS-tihk) religion n.,
a religion that has many gods or deities

Word Roots and Prefixes The two Key Vocabulary words have prefixes attached to the same root word. Write what you think is the meaning of each prefix, based on each word's definition. List other words you can think of that have the same prefixes, *mono-* or *poly-*.

-theistic (root) means: believing in the existence of a god or gods

mono- (prefix) means: _____

other *mono-* words: _____

Write a sentence using one of the *mono-* words you listed above. _____

poly- (prefix) means: _____

other *poly-* words: polygon

Write a sentence using one of the *poly-* words you listed above. _____
