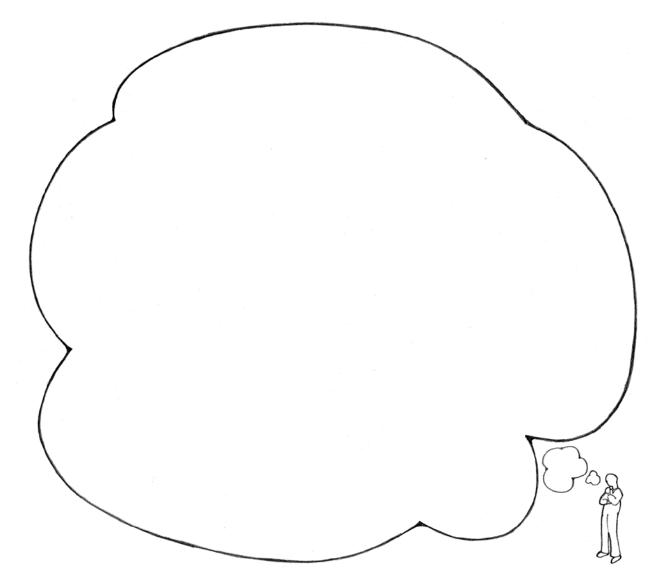
Learning About World Religions: Buddhism

What are the main beliefs and teachings of Buddhism?

PREVIEW

What is happiness? How do you achieve happiness?

Answer these questions by filling in the thought bubble below with words and simple illustrations.



READING NOTES

Key Content Terms

As you complete the Reading Notes, use these terms in your answers.

Buddha alms Four Noble Truths ascetic Eightfold Path nirvana

Buddhism enlightenment

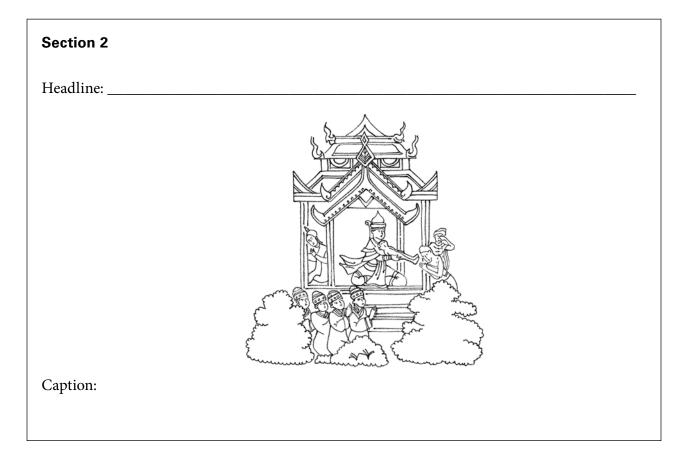
Sections 2 to 6

Follow these steps to complete the Reading Notes for Sections 2–6. You may refer to the images in this lesson of History Alive! The Ancient World as you work on each section.

Step 1: Above the image, create a short headline that captures why the scene is important. For example, a headline for Section 2 might be, "A Prince Is Born!"

Step 2: On or around the image, label three or more key details in the scene.

Step 3: Below the image, write a two- to three-sentence caption that describes what is happening in the scene.



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Section 7

1. Draw a simple illustration that represents the idea behind the Four Noble Truths. Write a brief caption to explain what the drawing shows.

2. Draw a simple illustration that represents the way that the Buddha thought people should take in order to end suffering. Write a brief caption to explain what the drawing shows.

3. Which of the Buddha's teachings do you find the most interesting, and why?

PROCESSING

Conduct a mock interview with the Buddha. *On a separate piece of paper*, create three or more questions to ask the Buddha about his experiences. Your questions should relate to these three general areas of his life:

- what his life was like before becoming the Buddha
- how he became the Buddha
- what he believes happiness is and how one achieves it

For each question, write a response that reflects what the Buddha might say.

You may begin your interview by using the beginning sentences below, or you may write your own. Be sure to include each Key Content Term at least once in your mock interview.

Interviewer: Honorable Awakened One, I would like to learn more about your life and teachings.

Buddha: I will share about my life and my teachings. What is your first question?

Interviewer: My first question is . . .