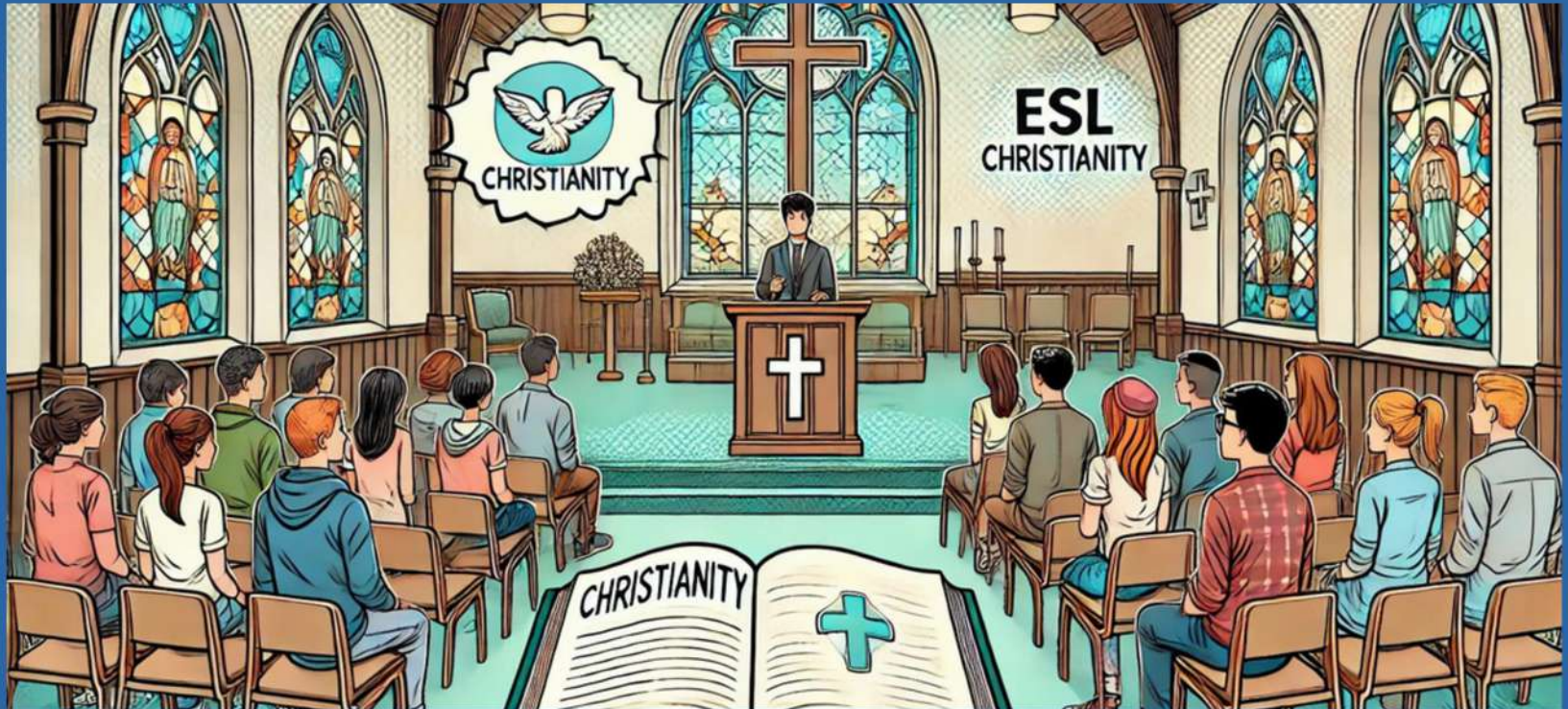


Super English



Unit 19 - Lesson 1 - Religions

Vocabulary



Religions - Vocabulary



religion: (n) a system of beliefs, practices, and worship of a supernatural power or powers, especially a god or gods



Learning about different **religions** can help us understand and respect diverse cultures.

Religions - Vocabulary



crucify: (v) to execute someone by nailing or binding them to a cross, historically used as a method of capital punishment



It was common practice to **crucify** criminals in the Roman Empire.

Religions - Vocabulary



resurrection: (n) the act of rising from the dead or returning to life



The ancient ruins present an **enigma** that archaeologists have yet to solve.

Religions - Vocabulary



ritual: (n) a set of actions and/or words performed regularly, especially as part of a ceremony or religious service.

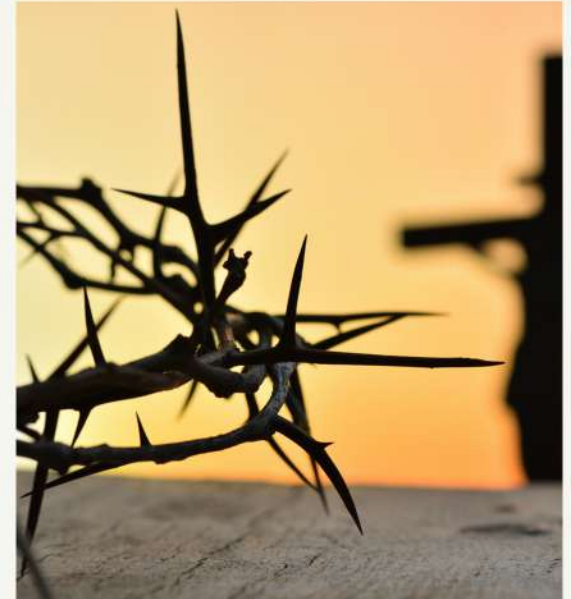
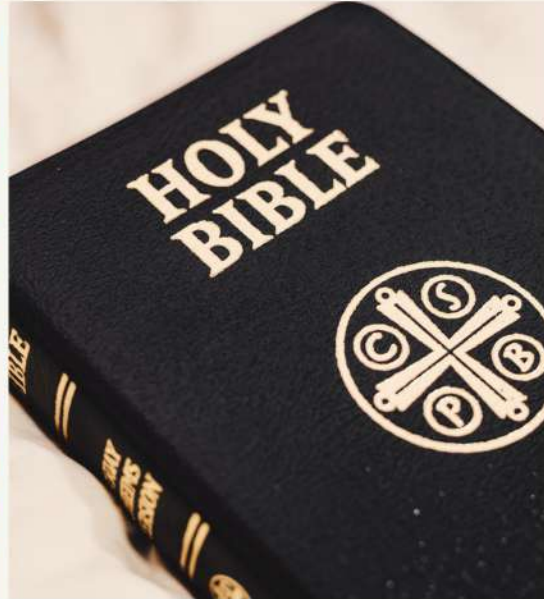


Every morning, she performed her **yoga** ritual to start the day.

Let's Read!



Christianity 101: Understanding a Major World Religion



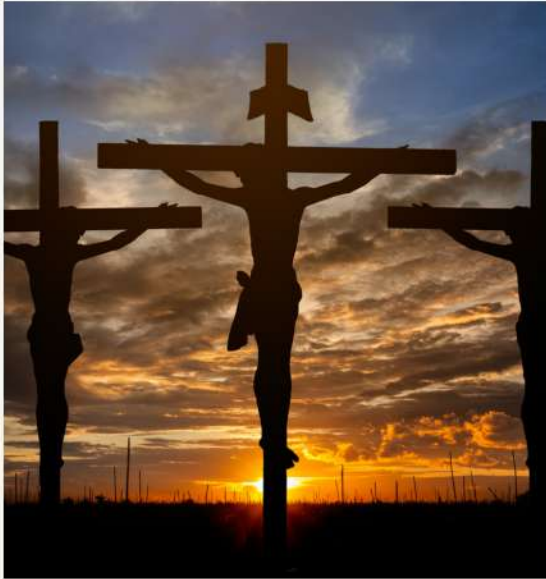
Christianity is one of the biggest **religions** in the world, with over 2 billion people following it. It has an amazing history and lots of interesting beliefs and practices. Let's dive into the story of Christianity, its main ideas, important books, different groups, and special celebrations!

Christianity 101: Understanding a Major World Religion



Christianity started a long time ago in the 1st century in a place called Judea, part of the Roman Empire. It all began with a man named Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus was a Jewish **preacher** who Christians believe is the Son of God and the promised Savior. He talked a lot about love, forgiveness, and God's Kingdom.

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Jesus was crucified around 30 CE, but his followers, called disciples, said he came back to life. This event is known as the Resurrection and is a super important part of Christian belief. The disciples traveled around, sharing Jesus' teachings, and soon, Christianity spread all over the Roman Empire.

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In 313 CE, the Roman Emperor Constantine became a Christian and made it okay for everyone to follow Christianity. By the end of the 4th century, Christianity was the main religion of the Roman Empire.

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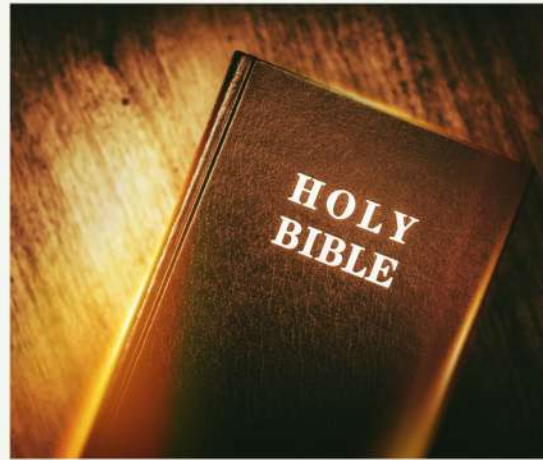
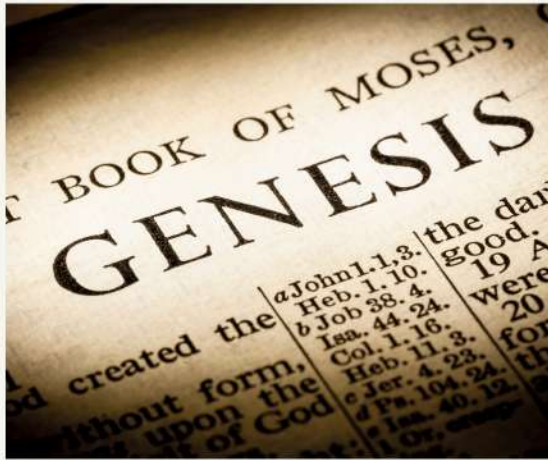


Christians believe in one God who is in three forms: God the Father, God the Son (Jesus), and God the Holy Spirit. This idea is called the Trinity.

Here are some important beliefs:

- **Salvation:** Christians believe that Jesus' death and resurrection save people and give them eternal life if they believe in him.
- **The Bible:** The holy book of Christians, divided into the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old Testament includes texts that are also important to Jews, and the New Testament talks about Jesus' life and teachings.
- **Prayer:** Talking to God through prayer is very important to Christians.
- **Sacraments:** Special rituals that are believed to bring God's grace. The most common sacraments are Baptism and the Eucharist (Communion).

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The Bible is the main book for Christians. It has two parts:

- Old Testament: Includes books like Genesis, Exodus, Psalms, and the Prophets. These are also part of Jewish faith.
- New Testament: Contains 27 books, including the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which tell about Jesus' life, and letters from early Christian leaders like Paul.

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Christianity has different branches, each with unique practices:

- **Catholicism:** The largest group, led by the Pope in Vatican City. Catholics follow the Bible and also value the Church's traditions. They recognize seven sacraments.
- **Protestantism:** Started in the 16th century with leaders like Martin Luther. Protestants focus on the Bible alone and usually recognize two sacraments. Major groups include Lutherans, Baptists, Methodists, and Presbyterians.
- **Orthodox Christianity:** Found mostly in Eastern Europe and the Middle East. The Orthodox Church split from the Catholic Church in 1054 CE. They also value tradition and have seven sacraments.

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Christians have festivals to remember important events in Jesus' life:

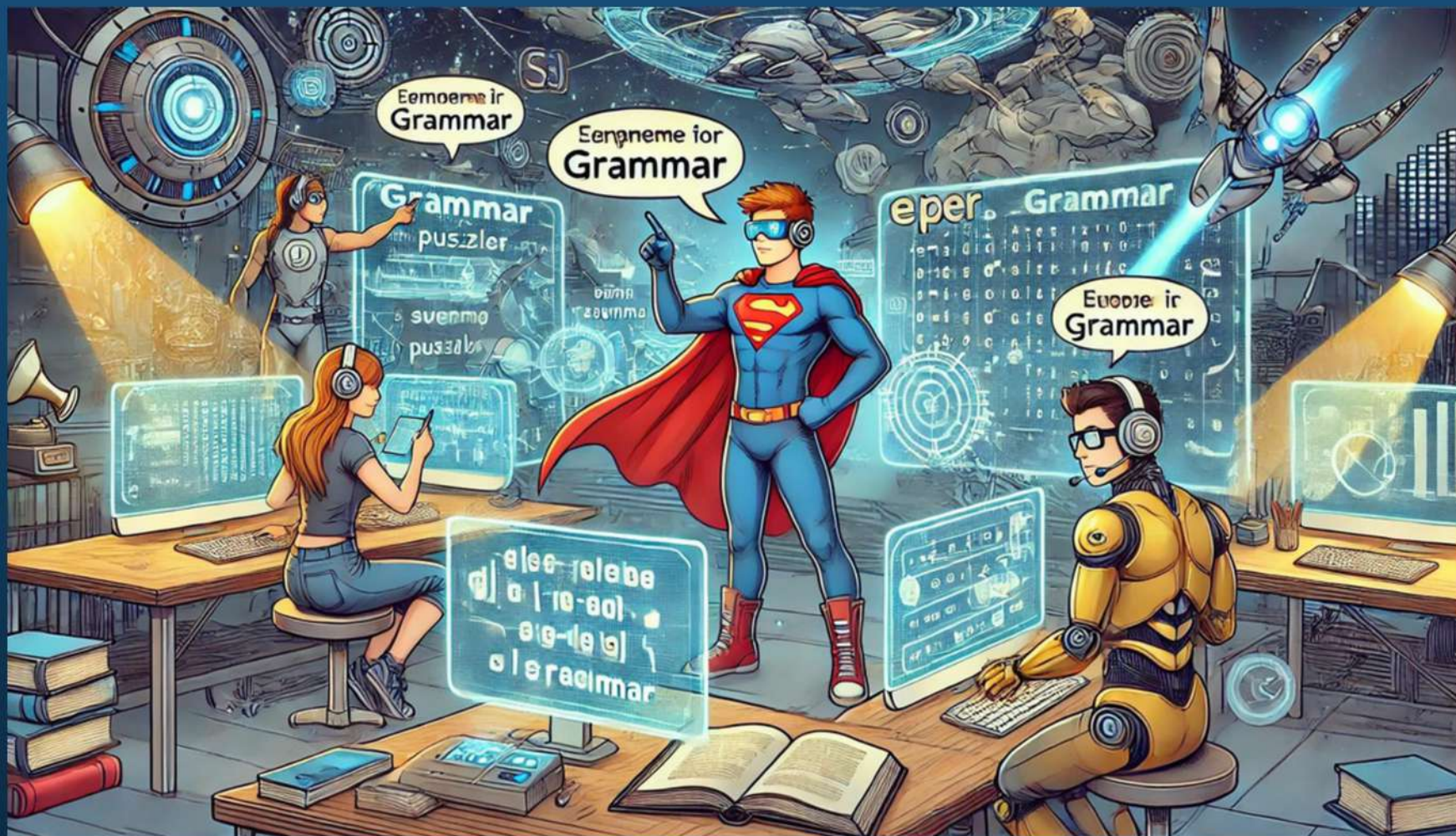
- **Christmas:** Celebrated on December 25, Christmas marks Jesus' birth. It's a joyful time with church services, gift-giving, and festive meals.
- **Easter:** The most important festival, celebrating Jesus' resurrection. It comes after Holy Week, which includes Good Friday (remembering Jesus' crucifixion) and Easter Sunday (celebrating his resurrection). Traditions include church services, family meals, and Easter egg hunts.

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Christianity, with its fascinating history and diverse practices, plays a big role in the lives of millions. Learning about its beginnings, beliefs, and traditions helps us understand one of the world's most influential religions.

Grammar





Phrasal verbs with 'let.'

Match the multiword verbs with their meanings.

To allow someone to go without punishment.

let down

To become less intense or severe.

let off

To disappoint someone.

let go

To release or stop holding something.
To dismiss or fire someone from a job.

let up

Let's Talk!



Practice Speaking



Sophie: Hey Lucas, what if we started a podcast for our media class project?

Lucas: Cool, what do you have in mind? Like, what are we gonna talk about?

Sophie: How about teen life hacks? Stuff like acing tests, or dealing with drama.

Lucas: That's a solid idea! And we could throw in some interviews with students and teachers for different takes.

Sophie: Yes, get the real scoop on school life. It'd be fun and maybe even helpful.

Lucas: Right? And it'll be a great way to show off our school.

Practice Speaking



Sophie: It's also a good chance for us to improve our speaking skills. We gotta keep it lively and fun.

Lucas: Yeah, a little speaking practice couldn't hurt. Let's brainstorm some episode themes. Maybe line up a few guests?

Sophie: I'm on it. I'll jot down some ideas and text you later.

Lucas: Excellent! I'll figure out the tech stuff. Maybe I can borrow some gear from the AV club.

Sophie: Awesome, Lucas. I think this could turn out really cool.

Lucas: Yeah, if we do it right. Let's touch base tomorrow and finalize everything.

Words!





Synonyms and Antonyms

A synonym is a word that has the same or nearly the same meaning as another word. Try to match these words to their synonyms.

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| 1. Complicated • | • Vital |
| 2. Essential • | • Acquire |
| 3. Assist • | • Support |
| 4. Sufficient • | • Ample |
| 5. Construct • | • Debate |
| 6. Examine • | • Transfer |
| 7. Purchase • | • Intricate |
| 8. Relocate • | • Repercussion |
| 9. Discuss • | • Erect |
| 10. Consequence • | • Scrutinize |

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See you
Next time!

