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## SECTION 7

### Interfaith Education Resources

#### Print Resources

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- Robinson, Thomas A. and Rodrigues, Hillary. Eds. *A World Religions Reader: Essential Texts and Symbols*. Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 2009.
- Scott, Jamie S., Ed. *The Religions of Canadians*. Toronto, ON: University of Toronto Press, 2012.

#### Web-Based Resources

##### ADHERENTS.COM

- The following site is very useful for obtaining facts and statistics about membership in most world religions and denominations. See [www.adherents.com/](http://www.adherents.com/).

##### BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION (BBC)

- The BBC website has information on various religions as well as an interfaith Calendar at [www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/).

- Your Guide to the Religions of the World at [www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/) from the BBC World Service provides basic information on Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Islam, Judaism, and Christianity.
- The A-Z of Religions and Beliefs at [www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/) provides basic information on a number of religions, both major and lesser-known (e.g., Baha'i, Shinto, Rastafari, and Paganism).

### CANADIAN MULTIFAITH FEDERATION

- Canadian Multifaith Federation
  - Website: [www.omc.ca/](http://www.omc.ca/)
  - Email: [omcsrc@omc.ca](mailto:omcsrc@omc.ca)

### EXPLORING WORLD RELIGIONS: THE CANADIAN PERSPECTIVE

- This is a world religions Website that was created to supplement the world religions courses taught in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador. Consequently, its content was selected to align with the needs of teachers and students in those courses. The resources presented on the website were selected by graduate students and faculty in the Department of Religious Studies at Memorial University. See [www.arts.mun.ca/worldreligions/](http://www.arts.mun.ca/worldreligions/).

### HOW PEOPLE IN MUSLIM COUNTRIES PREFER WOMEN TO DRESS IN PUBLIC

- Website: [www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2014/01/08/what-is-appropriate-attire-for-women-in-muslim-countries](http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2014/01/08/what-is-appropriate-attire-for-women-in-muslim-countries)

### INTERFAITH CALENDAR

- Website: [www.interfaith-calendar.org/](http://www.interfaith-calendar.org/)

### MANITOBA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

- Manitoba Human Rights Commission (MHRC) Teacher's Kit, 2013. [www.manitobahumanrights.ca/pdf/teachers\\_kit.pdf](http://www.manitobahumanrights.ca/pdf/teachers_kit.pdf).

### MANITOBA MULTIFAITH COUNCIL

- Website: [www.manitobamultifaithcouncil.ca/aboutus.html](http://www.manitobamultifaithcouncil.ca/aboutus.html)
- Email: [info@manitobamultifaithcouncil.ca](mailto:info@manitobamultifaithcouncil.ca)

## MY JEWISH LEARNING

- Website: [www.myjewishlearning.com/](http://www.myjewishlearning.com/)

## ONTARIO CONSULTANTS ON RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE (OCRT)

- Website: [www.religioustolerance.org/](http://www.religioustolerance.org/)

## ONTARIO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

- Policy on Preventing Discrimination Based on Creed, 2015.  
[www.ohrc.on.ca/en/policy-preventing-discrimination-based-creed](http://www.ohrc.on.ca/en/policy-preventing-discrimination-based-creed)

## OVERVIEW OF WORLD RELIGIONS

- Overview of World Religions at [www.philtar.ac.uk/encyclopedia/](http://www.philtar.ac.uk/encyclopedia/) offers a good overview of each of 11 major religions (excludes Baha'i—covered under Shi'a in Islam). It also provides a diagram of the historical development and divisions of each religion. The site was edited by
  - Elliott Shaw, Department of Religion and Ethics, St. Martin's College, Lancaster, England
  - Michael Pye, Department of Religious Studies, Marburg University, Germany

## PATHEOS LIBRARY

- Written by leading authorities on religion and spirituality, the library offers accurate and balanced information. Information on 50 major religious traditions are available in a peer-reviewed, encyclopedic information format that helps readers understand a religion's origins, history, beliefs, rituals, ethics, and community structures. See [www.patheos.com/](http://www.patheos.com/).

## RELIGION AND DIVERSITY PROJECT

- A team of 37 researchers from across the globe are examining religious diversity in Canada and the world from a variety of perspectives including religion, law, communication, sociology, history, political science, education, and philosophy. See <http://religionanddiversity.ca/en/>.

## RELIGION, SOCIETY, AND CULTURE

- This website was written by Dr. Hans Rollman of the Department of Religious Studies at Memorial University in Newfoundland. The site covers nearly all aspects of the religious history and culture of Newfoundland. It is an example of how effective the Internet can be in communicating specialized knowledge to a wide audience that would not encounter it in any traditional medium. See [www.ucs.mun.ca/~hrollman/indexjava.html](http://www.ucs.mun.ca/~hrollman/indexjava.html).

## THE PLURALISM PROJECT BY HARVARD UNIVERSITY

- This site offers links to resources by religion. See [www.pluralism.org/resources/tradition/index.php](http://www.pluralism.org/resources/tradition/index.php).

## UNDERSTANDING WORLD RELIGIONS

- This University of Calgary website was created by Irving Hexham. The intent of the website is to help individuals understand the beliefs and practices of different world religions. It provides free learning resources. See [www.understandingworldreligions.com/academic\\_articles.html](http://www.understandingworldreligions.com/academic_articles.html).

## CHARTER FOR COMPASSION

- There is a global movement to create compassionate communities at the following website: <http://charterforcompassion.org>.