

**1. Religion:**

- A. Is a cultural universal that consists of both beliefs and ceremonies
- B. Functions to give individuals a sense of community, of belonging to a larger group
- C. Functions to ease the anxiety of people in times of stress
- D. Is a reflection of the structure and organization of that particular society itself.
- E. All of these are part of the anthropological concept of religion.

**2. Magic “works” because:**

- A. if done right, it forces the spirits to do your wishes
- B. of the supernatural connection between similar things or similar activities
- C. of the continuing supernatural connection between things once in contact
- D. some people, like shamans and witches, have the special powers
- E. All of these are part of our understanding of peoples’ beliefs

**3. Which practice enables people to explain why things go wrong by blaming certain individuals who, because of their supernatural powers, accidentally or deliberately cause harm?**

- A. religion
- B. witchcraft
- C. Potlatch
- D. big men
- E. Stratification

**4. Which would be an example of imitative magic (same as sympathetic magic or Law of Similarity):**

- A. Paying a lot for a T shirt worn by Elvis
- B. Painting an animal on a cave wall and then throwing spears at it to insure success in the hunt
- C. Carving spoons, paddles, and totem poles in the style of your culture
- D. Believing that you must keep all of the hair from your hairbrush
- E. Weaving of cloth

**5. ANIMISM is the universal belief in:**

- A. A world of spirit beings and souls
- B. Fantasy characters in cartoon movies
- C. A single god
- D. Animal instinct
- F. lice

**6. Which is NOT a rite of passage in our own society?**

- A. Wedding
- B. Graduation ceremony
- C. Funeral
- D. Losing your virginity
- E. Retirement dinner

**7. Which is FALSE about Yanomamo beliefs about the supernatural?**

- A. Their cosmos consists of four layers, one of which they live on now.
- B. Shamans chant to the hekura to get them to do good or evil.
- C. The Yanomamo are headhunters: they hunt humans and eat their flesh to gain their spiritual power
- D. A person who loses his “soul” (moamo, near the liver) will sicken and die unless it returns.
- E. Yanomamo are fierce men because, according to myth, they were formed from drops of moonblood.

**8. Among the Yanomamo, chanting to the hekura is done by \_\_\_\_\_ for the purpose of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a. shamans.....curing or harming others
- b. women.....appeasing the ghosts
- c. priests.....bringing good fortune to the village
- d. lineage elders.....arranging marriages
- e. headmen..... increasing the harvest

**9. Which is FALSE?**

- A. A rite of passage is a ceremony that marks the transition of an individual from one status to another
- B.. Rites of passage in USA can have the latent function of displaying family wealth and status
- C. Malinowski said that religion serves to meet the basic needs of individuals
- D. A group of people who go thru initiations together is called an Age Set
- E. Animatism (or Mana) is the name for a belief in souls and spirit beings like angels.

**10. Which is TRUE?**

- A. Some Yanomamo myths are about the human-like JAGUAR
- B. “Myth” refers to all stories about the supernatural, including Genesis and Christian parables
- C. Mountains are often sacred, not merely secular, places for many people who live near them.
- D. Some Yanomamo stories have strong sexual content.
- E. All of these are true.

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bonus: on the back: tell me all about Yanomamo cannibalism