

Lesson 2***Student Handout 2.10—Sayings of the Three Belief Systems of China***

This page lists sayings or quotations from the founders/leaders of each of the three belief systems of China that we studied. Your job is to identify which sayings are from which belief system and complete the worksheet.

1. Have no friends [that are not] not equal to yourself.
2. If you think that you do not have enough, then you will never have enough.
3. Live and let live.
4. The inferior man is disrespectful to great men; he makes fun of wisdom.
5. Suffering can be ended.
6. The fully enlightened one is the highest among all living beings.
7. While his parents are alive, a son may not move far away.
8. The best way to run the world is to leave it alone.
9. A mother cannot shield her son from old age, disease, and death; nor can the son shield his mother from them.
10. Of all people, girls and servants are most difficult to behave.
11. The progress of a superior person is upwards, the progress of an inferior person is downwards.
12. Happiness does not come from having much, but from being attached to little.
13. Your worst enemy cannot harm you as much as your own unguarded thoughts.
14. A journey of a thousand miles starts with the first step.
15. If you are not always trying to be someone, you can be who you are.

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Student Handout 2.11—Worksheet on Sayings of the 3 Belief Systems of China

Place in categories and describe sayings from the three belief systems of China by completing the following steps:

1. Copy at least two sayings under the correct belief system it represents.
2. Justify your choice: explain why that saying is from that particular belief system.
3. Write *in your own words* what the saying means.
4. Explain why each saying is important.

Confucian Saying 1

1. Copy saying _____

2. Why is this Confucian? _____

3. What does it mean? _____

4. Why is it important? _____

Confucian Saying 2

1. Copy saying _____

2. Why is this Confucian? _____

3. What does it mean? _____

4. Why is it important? _____

Buddhist Saying 1

1. Copy saying _____

2. Why is this Buddhist? _____

3. What does it mean? _____

4. Why is it important? _____

Buddhist Saying 2

1. Copy saying _____

2. Why is this Buddhist? _____

3. What does it mean? _____

4. Why is it important? _____

Daoist Saying 1

1. Copy saying _____

2. Why is this Daoist? _____

3. What does it mean? _____

4. Why is it important? _____

Daoist Saying 2

1. Copy saying _____

2. Why is this Daoist? _____

3. What does it mean? _____

4. Why is it important? _____
