

IGC Scramble – Extra Questions

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(1) **The Buddhist stupas Boudhanath and Swayambhunath are located in valleys south of this mountain range. Numerous monasteries associated with Vajrayana (+) Buddhism are found throughout this mountain range, including sites in Ladakh and (*) Bhutan. Important Buddhist pilgrimage routes cross the high passes of, for the points, what mountain range that contains the traditional homeland of the Sherpa people, many of whom practice Tibetan Buddhism?**

ANSWER: **Himalayas** (or **Himalayan Mountains**)

(2) **In this U.S. state, a sandstone Buddhist sculpture called *The Light That Shines Through the Universe* was installed in a park called the High Line. The North American seat of the Dalai Lama's Namgyal Monastery is situated in this state's college town of (+) Ithaca, and its Zen Mountain Monastery lies within the Catskill Mountains. Home to temples in Flushing, (*) Queens, this is, for the points, what U.S. state, where a Chinatown boasts a 16 foot Buddha statue near the Manhattan Bridge?**

ANSWER: **New York**

(3) **Güshi Khan's assistance to the Gelug school and the fifth holder of this position allowed the latter to begin wielding political power through the Ganden Phodrang, where he began residing at the Drepung Monastery. (+) The remains of the first holder of this position, Gedun Drupa, are kept in a stupa at the Tashi Lhunpo Monastery in Shigatse [[shih-GAHT-she]]. (*) For the points, name this position currently held by Tenzin Gyatso in exile in McLeod Ganj.**

ANSWER: **Dalai Lama** [[DAH-lee LAH-mah or TAH-leh LAH-mah]]

(4) **The second woodblock edition of the *Tripitaka* was compiled on this peninsula and is preserved at the Haeinsa temple in the historical Gyeongsang province. (+) Buddhism was adopted as the state religion during this peninsula's Three Kingdoms Period by the Baekje [['BAKE'-jeh]], who brought Buddhism to Japan. (*) For the points, name this peninsula where Buddhism has been partially preserved in its north despite communist rule by Kim Il-Sung.**

ANSWER: **Korean** Peninsula

(5) **In 2016, Barack Obama visited this country's Jade Emperor Pagoda in District One, which is located in a city that contains the Bitexco [[by-TEKS-koh]] Financial Tower. The Temple of the Celestial Lady can be found in this country on a city on the (+) Perfume River in Huế [[HWAY]], which borders Quảng [KWANG]] Trại and Da Nang. (*) For the points, name this country where the West Lake hosts the Trấn Quốc [[KWOK]] Pagoda in Hanoi.**

ANSWER: **Vietnam** (or Socialist Republic of **Vietnam**; or **SRV**; or Cong hoa Xa hoi chu nghĩa **Viet Nam**)

(6) **"Marathon monks" are associated with a monastery in this country, found on a mountain that has areas like the West Pagoda and the East Pagoda, and can be reached via the Cable Line. This country's Temple of the Four (+) Heavenly Kings is associated with the Wa sect and is found in a prefecture in the Kansai region. With some of its citizens adhering to (*) Nichiren Buddhism, for the points, what country hosts a temple called Shitenno-ji in Osaka?**

ANSWER: **Japan** (or **Nihon**-koku; or **Nippon**-koku)

(7) **The Longmen and Yungang Grottoes of this country contain monumental carvings created by followers of Buddhism. The Mogao Caves near (+) Dunhuang in this country contain thousands of murals and statues associated with Buddhism, and one mountain in this country sacred to Buddhists, Mount Wutai in (*) Shanxi Province, is traditionally associated with Manjushri. For the points, name this country, the home of Han Buddhism.**

ANSWER: People's Republic of **China** (or **PRC**; accept **Zhonghua** Renmin Gongheguo; or **Zhongguo**)

(8) **The Buddhist Forest Tradition is sometimes named for this country and requires living in the woods and eating one meal per day. In this country, most young men are temporarily ordained as monks, usually for (+) three months during the rainy season. By percentage of its total population, this country has the largest proportion of Buddhists in the world, most of them Theravadans. (*) For the points, name this country with major Buddhist hubs in Phuket [[POO-ket]] and Bangkok.**

ANSWER: Kingdom of **Thailand** (or Ratcha-anachak **Thai**; accept **Siam**)