

## Extra Credit Articles for the Culture Unit: Beliefs

You may choose up to 5 of these current events to review. [Review forms are available on the class web site or in the folder in the classroom.] You will earn 2 points for each critique you complete up to a total of 10 points. Those points will be added to your unit test grade. These articles will also provide additional information which you may see on unit tests or the National Test on May 13th. To receive the bonus points you must turn in your evaluation **prior to taking the test.**

ARTICLE	URL
An Abandoned Indonesian Church Shaped Like a Massive Clucking Chicken	<a href="http://www.thisiscolossal.com/2015/07/indonesian-chicken-church/">http://www.thisiscolossal.com/2015/07/indonesian-chicken-church/</a>
Cartoonist's Pen Leaves Mark Across Arab World	<a href="http://mobile.nytimes.com/2013/06/08/world/africa/cartoonists-pen-leaves-a-mark-across-the-arab-world.html?referrer&amp;_r=0">http://mobile.nytimes.com/2013/06/08/world/africa/cartoonists-pen-leaves-a-mark-across-the-arab-world.html?referrer&amp;_r=0</a>
Confucius says, Xi does: The Communist Party turns to ancient philosophy for support	<a href="http://www.economist.com/news/china/21659753-communist-party-turns-ancient-philosophy-support-confucius-says-xi-does?fsrc=scn/fb/te/pe/ed/ConfuciusSaysXiDoes">http://www.economist.com/news/china/21659753-communist-party-turns-ancient-philosophy-support-confucius-says-xi-does?fsrc=scn/fb/te/pe/ed/ConfuciusSaysXiDoes</a>
Countering Anti-Muslim Hostility With Jokes, A Festival [New York]	<a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2015/07/09/arts/countering-anti-muslim-hostility-with-jokes-via-ads-film-and-a-festival.html?smid=fb-nytimes&amp;smtyp=cur&amp;_r=0">http://www.nytimes.com/2015/07/09/arts/countering-anti-muslim-hostility-with-jokes-via-ads-film-and-a-festival.html?smid=fb-nytimes&amp;smtyp=cur&amp;_r=0</a>
How Long the Ramadan Fast Lasts for Muslims Around the World	<a href="http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/06/16/ramadan-fasting-times-2015_n_7545158.html">http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/06/16/ramadan-fasting-times-2015_n_7545158.html</a>
Indian Beef Workers Fight to Bring Back the Bull Market	<a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2015/06/28/business/international/indian-beef-workers-fight-to-bring-back-the-bull-market.html?smid=fb-share">http://www.nytimes.com/2015/06/28/business/international/indian-beef-workers-fight-to-bring-back-the-bull-market.html?smid=fb-share</a>
ISIS says it is the 'religious duty' to destroy Egypt's pyramids and the Sphinx	<a href="http://www.businessinsider.com/isis-want-to-destroy-egypts-pyramids-and-the-sphinx-2015-7">http://www.businessinsider.com/isis-want-to-destroy-egypts-pyramids-and-the-sphinx-2015-7</a>
Label-less Coca-Cola Cans Tackle Prejudice During Ramadan	<a href="http://www.coca-colacompany.com/coca-cola-unbottled/label-less-coca-cola-cans-tackle-prejudice-during-ramadan">http://www.coca-colacompany.com/coca-cola-unbottled/label-less-coca-cola-cans-tackle-prejudice-during-ramadan</a>
Life in the ruins of post-war Gaza	<a href="http://www.haaretz.com/st/c/prod/eng/2015/year-to-gaza-war/gaza-strip/">http://www.haaretz.com/st/c/prod/eng/2015/year-to-gaza-war/gaza-strip/</a>
Making Sure Arab Americans Count: Adding a MENA Category to the Census	<a href="http://www.aaiusa.org/making-sure-arab-americans-count">http://www.aaiusa.org/making-sure-arab-americans-count</a>
Mecca live—What pilgrims showed the world from Mecca—BBC Trending	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKnYu5es3lk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKnYu5es3lk</a>
Meet the Woman who disguised herself as a man for 43 years so she could provide for her daughter	<a href="http://nytlive.nytimes.com/womenintheworld/2015/07/13/meet-the-woman-who-disguised-herself-as-a-man-for-43-years-so-she-could-provide-for-her-daughter/">http://nytlive.nytimes.com/womenintheworld/2015/07/13/meet-the-woman-who-disguised-herself-as-a-man-for-43-years-so-she-could-provide-for-her-daughter/</a>
Muslim Lolita Fashion Is A New Trend Inspired By Japan	<a href="http://www.boredpanda.com/muslim-lolita-hijab-japanese-fashion-anime/">http://www.boredpanda.com/muslim-lolita-hijab-japanese-fashion-anime/</a>
'Oldest' Koran fragments found in Birmingham University	<a href="http://www.bbc.com/news/business-33436021">http://www.bbc.com/news/business-33436021</a>
Saving the Cows, Starving the Children [Opinion]	<a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2015/06/28/opinion/sunday/saving-the-cows-starving-the-children.html?smid=fb-share">http://www.nytimes.com/2015/06/28/opinion/sunday/saving-the-cows-starving-the-children.html?smid=fb-share</a>
Syria: ISIS destroys ancient Muslim shrines in Palmyra	<a href="http://www.cnn.com/2015/06/24/middleeast/syria-isis-palmyra-shrines/index.html">http://www.cnn.com/2015/06/24/middleeast/syria-isis-palmyra-shrines/index.html</a>
Take Amazing 360° Tour of St. Peter's in Vatican City From Your Chair	<a href="http://news.nationalgeographic.com/2015/07/150720-Vatican-360-Degree-Tour-Saint-Peters-Basilica/?utm_source=Facebook&amp;utm_medium=Social&amp;utm_content=link_fb20150721news-vaticaninteractive&amp;utm_campaign=Content&amp;sf11158323=1">http://news.nationalgeographic.com/2015/07/150720-Vatican-360-Degree-Tour-Saint-Peters-Basilica/?utm_source=Facebook&amp;utm_medium=Social&amp;utm_content=link_fb20150721news-vaticaninteractive&amp;utm_campaign=Content&amp;sf11158323=1</a>

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Texas town revolts over plan for 'Muslim cemetery'	<a href="http://valleycentral.com/news/local/texas-town-revolts-over-plan-for-muslim-cemetery?id=1232320">http://valleycentral.com/news/local/texas-town-revolts-over-plan-for-muslim-cemetery?id=1232320</a>
The World's Muslims: Religion, Politics and Society	<a href="http://www.pewforum.org/2013/04/30/the-worlds-muslims-religion-politics-society-overview/">http://www.pewforum.org/2013/04/30/the-worlds-muslims-religion-politics-society-overview/</a>
This animated map shows how religion spread across the world.	<a href="http://www.businessinsider.com/map-shows-how-religion-spread-around-the-world-2015-6?utm_content=buffer41673&amp;utm_medium=social&amp;utm_source=facebook.com&amp;utm_campaign=buffer">http://www.businessinsider.com/map-shows-how-religion-spread-around-the-world-2015-6?utm_content=buffer41673&amp;utm_medium=social&amp;utm_source=facebook.com&amp;utm_campaign=buffer</a>
Watch This Balinese Prayer Ritual! I Almost Lost My Mind	<a href="http://soulsportv.com/blog/watch-this-breathtaking-balinese-prayer-ritual-i-almost-lost-my-mind/">http://soulsportv.com/blog/watch-this-breathtaking-balinese-prayer-ritual-i-almost-lost-my-mind/</a>
What is Ramadan—and why do Muslims fast?	<a href="http://www.mprnews.org/story/2015/06/18/ramadan-begins">http://www.mprnews.org/story/2015/06/18/ramadan-begins</a>
When I Die: Inside Japan's Death Industry (Running out of space for the dead.)	<a href="http://www.aljazeera.com/programmes/101east/2015/07/die-japan-death-industry-150727164735397.html">http://www.aljazeera.com/programmes/101east/2015/07/die-japan-death-industry-150727164735397.html</a>