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Getting students to talk

- 1. What is the main religion of your country? How has this changed over history?
- 2. In many Western nations, church attendance is in decline. Why is this?
- 3. Is it possible for people of different religions to live together peacefully?
- 4. Do you know anybody who is deeply religious? Has their religion helped them?
- 5. Should religion be taught in schools? In what way should it be taught?
- 6. Should the Bible and the Koran be treated as historical documents or sacred texts?
- 7. Is atheism a kind of religion?
- 8. Would you vote for a politician who believed in a religion different from your own?
- 9. Is religious teaching needed in a consumer society?
- 10. If a religion has survived for centuries, does this mean there is something good in it?

Religion (Student B)

- 1. Why do so many cultures have religions?
- 2. Is there one true religion in your opinion?
- 3. Are people naturally good or do they need a moral education?
- 4. Can we learn lessons from the stories of Jesus or other religious figures?
- 5. Is religion really compatible with a scientific world view?
- 6. Is it possible to prove the existence of God?
- 7. Have you read the stories of the Greek Gods? Can we learn anything from them?
- 8. Should the church influence the state or should they be separate?
- 9. Religion has been with us for millennia. Will it survive a thousand years more?
- 10. On balance, do you think that religions have made the world a better place?