**Name: Subject and Period:**

**Date: What is Shinto?:**

**What is Shinto?**

**1) What is the essential idea behind Animism?**

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**2) What are nature spirits called in the Japanese indigenous religion?**

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**3) Where did the Japanese go to worship nature spirits?**

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**4) What does the word “ Shinto” mean?**

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**Lecture Check:**

**Answer the question in a 2-3 sentence response.**

**Explain how people who practice Japanese Shintoism honor the various Kami and nature spirits?**

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**5) Please explain what Origami is and how it is utilized in Shinto?**

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**6) How are Torii’s used in Shinto and what do they represent?**

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**7) Calligraphy is much more than just writing, how is it used in Japanese culture?**

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**8) What is a Matsuri and how are they celebrated in the Shinto religion?**

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**Expository Writing:**

**Imagine that you are visiting Japan sometime in the 300’s C.E. Write a letter to a friend describing what you have observed and learned about the Shinto religion.**

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