

# The Golden Rule

*An activity of "Race protests in the US"*

Discrimination against people because they are different is a sad reality. It has only brought much pain and suffering throughout history. Ironically, this is not what religions and philosophers teach us. **"Race protests in the US"** (page 6, *What's Up* June 2020) tells of how people in a country can be torn apart because of discrimination. Read it before doing this exercise.

1. In the table below are listed some major world religions that are practised in Singapore, and what they teach us about how to treat our fellow human beings. The words may be different but there is a common theme called The Golden Rule. Unscramble the words in **bold** to discover it.

	Religion	Teaching
a.	Buddhism	"...a state that is not <b>plinegas</b> or delightful to me, how could I <b>flintic</b> that upon <b>heatnor</b> ?" <i>Samyutta Nikaya v. 353</i>
b.	Confucianism	"Do not do to <b>soterh</b> what you do <b>tno</b> want them to do to you" <i>Analects 15:23</i>
c.	Taoism	" <b>Redgar</b> your neighbour's <b>gina</b> as your own gain, and your neighbour's loss as your own <b>sols</b> ." <i>T'ai Shang Kan Ying P'ien</i> .
d.	Hinduism	"This is the <b>smu</b> of Dharma [duty]: Do naught unto others which would cause you <b>ipan</b> if done to you". <i>Mahabharata, 5:1517</i>
e.	Sikhism	"No one is my <b>neemy</b> , none a <b>rantgers</b> and <b>evoneery</b> is my friend." <i>Guru Arjan Dev: AG 1299</i>
f.	Judaism	"What is <b>fulthea</b> to you, do not to your <b>owlfel</b> man. This is the <b>awl</b> : all the rest is commentary." <i>Talmud, Shabbat 31a</i> .
g.	Christianity	"So in <b>theeryving</b> , do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the <b>Poherpts</b> ." <i>Matthew 7:12</i>
h.	Islam	"None of you [truly] <b>beveslie</b> until he wishes for his <b>roberth</b> what he wishes for himself." <i>Number 13 of Imam Al-Nawawi's Forty Hadiths</i> .
i.	Bahai Faith	"And if thine <b>yees</b> be turned towards <b>juicest</b> , choose thou for thy [your] <b>bhoureign</b> that which thou [you] chooseth [choose] for thyself [yourself]." <i>Epistle to the Son of the Wolf</i>
j.	Jainism	"In <b>papshines</b> and <b>fufersing</b> , in joy and grief, we should regard all creatures as we regard our own <b>lefs</b> ." <i>Lord Mahavira, 24th Tirthankara</i>

2. From the teachings above, summarise The Golden Rule in your own words.

**The Golden Rule:** \_\_\_\_\_

3. The essence of the Golden Rule is woven into our national pledge. Unscramble the words below to see Singapore's Golden Rule in our pledge. As we celebrate Racial Harmony Day this year, let us pledge anew to maintain and treasure the gift of harmony we enjoy in Singapore.

... or ourselves people, pledge as one religion, regardless united race, language of...

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