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**Spread of Islam and Christianity (Day 1)**

EQ: How did religion affect the political, economical, and cultural development of the Middle East and Europe?

Directions: As you read the background information, follow the instructions on the board. You will annotate the reading so that you can answer the questions below. Then the class will study a map.

**Islam Expands**

1. What was the hearth area of the Islamic Religion?
2. What general direction did Islam spread?
3. What were the three methods by which Islam was diffused?
4. What method had the most impact?

**Spread of Christianity**

1. What general directions did Christianity spread?
2. What was a common characteristic about the areas in which it first spread?
3. What three continents were affected by the spread of Christianity?
4. What geographic feature might have prevented the spread of Christianity to other areas?
5. Which continent has the smallest percentage of Christians?
6. Drawing from what you may know, why are there few Christians in Northern Africa?