Group Project:

What is the Golden Rule of Ethics?

Many of you may have heard of the principle known as the '**Golden Rule**', otherwise known as the **ethic** **of reciprocity**. This means that people should aim to treat each other as they would like to be treated themselves – with tolerance, consideration and compassion.

The golden rule can be found in the beliefs of different religions around the world. It may not be stated in the same words but the basic BELIEF is the same. Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Aboriginal Spirituality, Sikhism, Hinduism, and Buddhism all embrace the golden rule.

You will work in groups of 3 to research ONE of the above religions. Use the links found on my website at: <https://mrbirchggs.weebly.com/golden-rule.html> to help you. Together, your group will create a Google Slides presentation that explains the following:

1. A basic overview of your religion. This should include in what parts of the world this religion is most prevalent, How many people world-wide practice this religion, as well as three beliefs of this religion. (5 points) \*You will need to search for this elsewhere online\*.
2. What words does your religion use to explain the golden rule? Clearly demonstrate how the words of the religion are linked to the ethic of reciprocity. (5 points) \*Specified as Question #2 on my website\*.
3. Show 1 example from the religious history/stories and explain how it demonstrates the golden rule. (5 points) \*Specified as Question #3 on my website\*.
4. Explain why the connection of the golden rule across religions is important for people. This is an opinion question. Although you may be able to research it, the answer should demonstrate that your group has taken time to think about and discuss the issue. There is no one right answer but you must back up your answer; you need to give examples and/or proof. (5 points)

In addition to the above points, you will receive a group work mark (10 points). Did everyone have a job to do? Did everyone participate in the presentation? Was your group on task during work periods? Were you helping each other and problem solving together?

Your group will be given 3-4 periods in class to work on this project. As it will be done on google slides you will also be able to access it from home if necessary. Your group will then present their slides to the class. Every group member must take part in the presentation.