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41a) People have many different beliefs about god. Many think that god is omnipotent which means that he is all powerful and can do anything that is possible. Other beliefs are: he is omnibenevolent which means he is all loving/kind; he is immanent which means here with us, people usually feel like he is immanent during suffering; he is omniscient which means he is all knowing of the past, present and future as well as everyone's thoughts and motives; finally that he is beyond our physical universe which would mean he is unable to be described or represented or understood.

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41b) Someone may say this because the existence of suffering and evil goes against the ideas of the nature of god. For example, God is supposed to be good but he allows suffering and evil to be in existence in the world. ~~God could~~ This would go against the idea that he is omnibenevolent. God could be aware of suffering and evil but not be able to eradicate it, which would be saying he is not omnipotent. God may be unaware of the suffering and evil in the world which would mean he is not omniscient. God may be aware but not want to help which would mean he is not omnibenevolent.

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41) A Hindu may explain evil and suffering as the consequence of having free will. Hindus believe that ~~we~~ <sup>by</sup> having free will we have to take the consequences of our actions. They believe in Karma so they believe that suffering is

42) An Islamic person believes that everything that happens has already been written down by Allah. They believe that Allah is all good so anything that happens must be for a good reason. They believe that Allah sends ~~the~~ suffering and evil into the world to test Islamic peoples faith to him or to punish them for doing wrong. They also believe that sometimes Allah sends ~~some~~ someone suffering to test the response

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of someone else. They believe that the ~~human~~ Earthly suffering they experience is nothing compared to the reward they get if they remain faithful.

42b) I am unsure because to believe that religious explanations are true you have to believe in a god. However, in hinduism they believe that suffering is just a consequence to actions which have happened before. This is called Karma. I think that Karma is a reasonable belief about suffering and evil because it is almost the same as the laws of nature or the laws of physics. This is when every action has its equal and opposite reaction and I think that that is a good

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<p>belief to have about evil and suffering. On the other hand, many religions believe that evil and suffering is sent by a god to either test faith or as a punishment. I do not think that this is convincing because why, if it was god sending it, would life be so unfair for good, genuine people while narcissistic people thrive in this modern society. This would be unfair and unjust to regular people. <del>It is also</del> some religions also believe in a personification of evil which I think is unrealistic because it is not the devil or shaytan who go around bombing countries, it is this world and <del>the</del> some of it's people who don't have any sense as to what the real world is like and they</p>	

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	don't see countries as people.