**List of Potential Discussion Questions**

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| *Historical Background*   * What year was your sect introduced? * Who started your sect? * Did it begin in a certain area of Japan? * Was it created by a split from a previous sect? * Was it connected to a Chinese or Korean sect? * Is there a specific Buddha related to your sect? * Did any important Japanese historical figures follow your sect? |
| *Specific beliefs and/or practices*   * How is it different from the other sects? * Explain the specific beliefs held by your sect. * Explain the specific practices held by your sect. * What makes the beliefs of practices unique? * Is there a purpose for these beliefs and practices?   + What is the purpose for the beliefs and practices? * Did certain social groups belong to your sect?   + Which ones? |
| *Historical Significance*   * What impact did your sect have on Japanese society?   + What aspect of society did it impact? * Is your sect still practiced today? * What percentage of Japanese citizens practiced it during the Medieval Period?   + What percentage of Japanese citizens practice it today? * Why do you think your sect is important? * Why do you think your sect should be studied in American Schools? |