

Reading Response 11

Choose one of the following questions to write your Reading Response #11.

1. Describe the historical and developmental aspects of Zen in India.
2. Describe the legend of Bodhidharma, the 28th Zen Patriarch in India and the 1st Zen Patriarch in China.
3. Describe the historical and developmental aspects of Zen in China.
4. Describe biography of Huineng, the Sixth Zen Patriarch in China.
5. Describe the “Five Houses” of Chinese Zen.
6. Describe Zen approaches to meditation.
7. Describe the historical and developmental aspects of Zen in Vietnam.
8. Describe the historical and developmental aspects of Zen in Korea.
9. Describe the historical and developmental aspects of Zen in Japan.
10. Describe the historical and developmental aspects of Zen in the West.
11. Describe *Linji*, the Chinese founder of the *Linji* sect in China.
12. Provide the biographies of the Chinese *Guizang* school's founders: Guishan Lingyou (771–854) and Yangshan Huiji.

13. Describe Myōan Eisai, a Japanese founder of the Rinzai sect in Japan.
14. Describe **Dongshan Liangjie**, a founder of the Caodong sect in China.
15. Describe Dogen Zenji, a founder of the Soto sect in Japan.
16. Describe Zen teachings and its narratives.
17. Explain briefly the principal and practical aspects of one of the following Zen texts: "The Ten Bulls," "The Platform Sutra," "The Blue Cliff Record," "The Gateless Gate," or "The Song of Enlightenment."
18. Describe Zen and the arts of drinking tea, making the sand garden, etc.
19. Describe the Diamond vehicle, its theory, and its development.
20. Describe the role of women in Tantric tradition.