INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

COURSE OF LESSON – SECONDARY LEVEL I

OBJECTIVES

The students will be able to:

- explain where Buddhism has its historical origin.
- explain how and in which countries it spread and disappeared until today.
- understand the connection between religious freedom in free democratic countries and the interest in Buddha's teachings.

(OPTIONAL) RESEARCH	The spread of Buddhism has produced different emphases and forms of expression. Search the Internet for Buddhist groups and centers worldwide.	**Exercise 4 to WS 1** Students research online (Theravada, Great Way, Zen, Diamond Way) Discussion
EXERCISE 3	Conditions for the spread of Buddhism in the West and its appeal	**Material 4** **WS 2 and Answers to WS 2** Students consider connection
DEEPENING KNOWLEDGE	The diversity of Buddhism in different forms and manifestations	**Material 3** Students discussion images
EXERCISE 2	Timeline with spread of Buddhism - world map	**Material 2** **WS 1** Students place information on world map Presentation
EXERCISE 1	Origin of Buddhism	**Material 1** Students research
INTRO	Where have you encountered Buddhism? Where does it actually come from?	Students compile answers

BASIS

What might interest the students about the topic:

- Where does Buddhism actually come from?
- Did Buddhism only spread in Asia?
- In which countries does Buddhism exist today?