Mr. Valentine’s 10th Grade English – Unit V, Week 1 – Intro to Unit V, East Asia, and *Ramayana*

*Answers to the following questions may be found in pages 346-366 and 389-402 of Elements of Literature and/or in the accompanying slides.*

1. Which three countries from East Asia are we focusing on in Unit V?

2. What is Hinduism?

3. What is Buddhism?

4. What are Confucianism and Taoism?

5. What is Shintoism?

6. When and where was the *Ramayana* written, and in what language?

7. Who are the following persons: Rama, Sita, Lakshmana, Ravana, and Hanuman.

8. What is the meaning of the word “avatar,” and how does this apply to Rama?

9. How does Rama defeat Ravana, and what doubts does he have about his victory toward the end?

10. What does this say about him and his culture’s values?