

## Reading The Akha Way

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- a) I think they live in tribes, for the clothes that they wear i think also than they live in villages in the mountains. In my own opinion their life style might be precarious.
- b) The people in the picture originally came from Tibet and have maintained the physical characteristics of that región, being fairly short and dark in complexión. The women of the tribe akha wear colourfully embroidered black shirts and skirts, and thick black leggings. Also their headdresses are especially distinctive hats. In their houses there are some structures with spiritual significance, they are called spirit gates.

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The text talk about of a tribe that live in the Tibet, they are called Akha tribe. They have their own way of measuring time as well as their own sets of rules.

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- 1- What is the Akha Way? : The Akha way is the sets of rules of the Akha tribe. Thanks to these rules each village has its own leader or headman.
- 2- How do Akha men's roles differ from Akha women's roles? : The mens provides for their families by farming crops like rice, corn and soya beans, also crafts crossbows, baskets and musical instruments with bamboo. The womens do spinning and weaving and make their own clothes.
- 3- What are the 'spirit gate's'? :They are structures with a spiritual significance, they are in the houses of the Akha villages.
- 4- How has the Akha people's lifestyle changed? : Some Akha even decided to leave their villages to seek their fortunes in the big cities.

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- 1- The Akha people are some of the least wealth in the world. They are one of the poorest people in the world.
- 2- Akha women are used to dealing with hardships
- 3- The most characteristic part of the Akha women's clothing is their hats
- 4- The Akha build spirit gates on the edges of their villages to protect the village from danger.
- 5- The writer thinks that the Akha Way may not be around for much longer

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Initially -> Originally

Skin color -> Complexion

Characteristics -> Behaviour

To learn by heart -> Oral tradition

Importance -> Significance

To come together -> Public

To bring in -> Introducing

To look for -> To seek

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1 physical characteristics	6 to memorise names
2 fairly short	7 to attend school
3 set of rules	8 thatched roofs
4 talented craftsmen	9 to keep spirits out
5 embroidered shirts	10 to honour ancestors

Significado de las palabras:

- Generations: Generaciones - Seek fortunes: Buscar fortuna
- Maintain: Mantener
- Mountainous parts: Partes montañosas
- Code of behaviour: Código de comportamiento
- Crossbows: Ballestas
- Ancestors: Ancestros
- Spinning: Hilado
- Weaving: Tejido / Tejer
- Distinctive: Distintivo
- Thatched roof: Techo de paja
- Stand on stilts: Caminar en zancos
- Wooden frame: Marco de madera
- Spiritual significance: Significado espiritual
- Honour: Honor
- Take things a step further: Llevar las cosas un paso más allá

