

Anthropology of Religion, UA30

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I. The Apostle Paul, The Book of Philemon, New Testament, Bible

1,500 words 10% of grade

2. N Detienne and J.P. Vernant (ed.): The Cuisine of Sacrifice, Univ. Chicago

2,000 words 20% of grade

3. M. Shokeid: A Gay Synagogue in New York, Univ. Pennsylvania

2,000 words 20% of grade

4. C. J. Fuller: The Camphor Flame, Princeton Univ.

2,000 words 20% of grade

E. E. Evans-Pritchard: Nuer Religion, Oxford Univ.

Three essays, each one 1,500 words long *each 10% of grade*

These must be on three different topics considered in the book, e.g., prophets, priests, sin, sacrifice, animal imagery, totemism, notions of spirit, relation of gender to religious power and authority, relation of sacrifice to power and authority, pollution, etc. You would be well-advised to consult with me about your topics and ways to go about addressing these issues. I do not want essays that are mere description.

All essays should be typed double-spaced with proper margins. Grades will be based on contents, arguments and accuracy, grammar, spelling, diction, syntax, style. Cheating will result in a failure and a report to the dean. Late papers will be marked down accordingly. They must be accompanied by a formal excuse or note from a dean if they are not to be marked-down for lateness. You will be marked down for poor attendance and for not consulting with me if you are not doing well. I do not accept any word sent as emails. All serious problems should be addressed early.

It will be impossible to get a good grade if you do not regularly attend classes because there is no textbook. Your analyses will depend on your comprehension of the lectures.