
Kuan-Yin

1. Look at the statue or picture at this station.
2. This image depicts the deity Kuan-yin. Write words that describe this image.
3. Kuan-yin is a *bodhisattva*, and is commonly regarded as the deity of mercy and compassion. Kuan-yin's origins are in Chinese pre-Buddhist polytheism. Buddhism does not make a statement about the existence of God or gods. Why might Buddhists want to keep the image of this deity in their practice of religion?
4. Does this image symbolize some of the ideals of your religion? If so, how?