

## Kanishka's Contribution to Buddhism Cheat Sheet by penguin10012003 via cheatography.com/181208/cs/37686/

## Sources

Many archeological give information about kanishka's contribution and belief in buddhism

Ashwagosh wrote Buddhacharitra was responsible for Kanishka's conversion

## Steps taken by Kanishka

- 1) Assemblies and Buddhist Councils
- 2) 4th Buddhist Council was held during this period
- 3) In the 4th Council, commentaries were written on 3 Pitakas and Tripitaka
- 4) An encyclopedia called Mahavibhasha was prepared
- 5) Council was attended by many eminent buddhist scholars Ashwaghosh, Vashumitra etc
- 6) During his period, Buddhism got divided in Hinayana and Mahayana

Hinayana and Mahayna Buddhism	
Hins. don't believe in idol worship to get moksha	Maha. believe in idol worship to get Moksha
	Buddha was elevated from prophet to god
	Kanishka was a great supporter, sent missionaries to Japan, Tibet and China
	Mahayana became more popular
	Gandhra School of Art

## conclusion

great empire builder

strong follower of Mahayana Buddhism

Because of Ashoka and Kanishka, Buddhism became the religion of many states



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