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I thought David's idea of encouraging school boards to incorporate a Hindu creation myth was a great idea. Anyone going to one of these meetings should be armed with all sorts of tales they might teach the kids.

How about an **Aztek creation story**? Coatlique, the Lady of the Skirt of Snakes, is first impregnated by an obsidian knife. (Ouch!) Then she gets pregnant again, which is shameful for a god and her children plot to kill her so she gives birth to a god of war who -- with the help of a fire serpent -- slaughters her children and the heavens shuddered and fell to destruction and Coatlique fertilized the earth after she fell and the world was born.

Or jump to this page for a summary of **a whole slew of creation myths**, such as the Iroquois belief that the world was formed on the back of a giant turtle. (Familiar to any fans of science-fiction humorist Terry Pratchett and his Discworld series.) Maybe you prefer the Greek myth that Prometheus -- one of the Titans -- created people just to show up his brother, who had created animals.

But whatever we do, we can't teach the dangerous, hateful creation story of Islam. That's a hateful, anti-Christian religion of godless heathens.

And what does the Qur'an teach? It teaches that, um, God created the entire universe and gave Man dominion over it and that God created Adam and told him to live with his wife in a very nice garden and said, 'Do what you want, but don't eat from this tree or you'll become wrongdoers.' And Adam and Eve ate from the tree and they were banished but God, who is the Most Merciful, forgave Adam and Eve and said, Go, but don't worry; I'll give you guidance and as long as you do what I say you'll be fine and those who don't believe in Me and what I say will be the inhabitants of fire and there they'll remain.

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