CULTURAL AWARENESS

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE BLANK WITH A WORD.

Sri Lanka will (1) _____ a British tourist for having a tattoo on her arm of the Buddha seated on a lotus flower. Naomi Coleman, 37, was (2) _____ at Sri Lanka's international airport on Monday. She is currently at a centre in the airport waiting for a (3) _____ back to the U.K. Airport officials told Ms Coleman that her tattoo was disrespectful to Sri Lankan (4) _____. A police spokesman said she was arrested for "hurting others' (5) _____ feelings". Most Sri Lankans are Buddhist and have deep respect for (6) _____ and statues of Buddha. They would think anyone with a Buddha tattoo is (7) _____ insensitive. Coleman said she practised Buddhism and did not think her tattoo would (8) _____	anyone. *culture* *culturally* *arrested* *upset* *deport* *flight* *religious* *images*

This is not the first time that tourists have got in (9) _____ for misunderstanding Sri Lankan culture. Another Briton was deported last year because he spoke disrespectfully when (10) _____ officials asked him about a Buddha tattoo on his arm. According to the BBC, three French tourists got (11) _____ sentences for kissing a Buddha statue. Britain's Independent newspaper (12) _____ that in 2010, R&B star Akon was told he could not get a (13) _____ to visit Sri Lanka because of a video for his song Sexy Chick. The video showed a pool party in front of a (14) _____ of Buddha. A British government website (15) _____ people who visit Sri Lanka not to (16) _____ for photos in front of statues of the Buddha.	*visa* *reports* *passport* *trouble* *warns* *pose* *statue* *prison*

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