



The Acorn Partnership

Marston Montgomery Primary School
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Knowledge Organiser Unit 27 What do Hindus believe God is like Year 4,5,6

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Sticky Knowledge - What I already know

I know some examples of what Hindus do to show their faith

I know some ways in which Hindus express their faith through Puja, aarti and bhajans

I know about Hindu beliefs and teachings about aims and duties in life

I know about the Hindu festival of Diwali and know some similarities and differences between Hindu worship and worship in others religions

I know reasons why being a Hindu is a good thing in Britain today and why it might be hard sometimes

Knowledge - What I will be learning

- The Hindu tradition is diverse and ever changing and according to the 2021 Census, 1.7% of the population of the UK are Hindus.
- The ultimate reality is known as **Brahman** who is the source of everything in the universe.
- The **atman** is a spark of Brahman in every living creature and the **namaste** welcome is a way of recognising the spark of Brahman inside every living creature.
- The **Aum** symbol represents Brahman but also the first sound in the creation of the universe.
- **Brahman** can be found in many different forms, known as **deities**. For many Hindus the three most important deities are known as the **Trimurti**. **Brahma** is the **creator** deity who is responsible for the creation of the universe. **Vishnu** is the **preserver** deity who maintains the universe and **Shiva** is the **destroyer** deity so that new things can begin in the cycle of life and death.
- Another important deity for Hindus is **Lakshmi**, at Diwali many Hindus will put statues of Lakshmi outside their homes in the hope that she will visit the home and bring the family good fortune for the new year

So how does it all work?

Aum



Brahma



Vishnu



Shiva



Lakshmi

Key Knowledge - What I will know at the end of the unit

I know how Hindus might see the world.

I know the concepts of Brahman

I know how some stories, and Hindu texts and deities exemplify qualities of Brahman

Key Vocabulary

Definition

Hindu - A person who follows Hinduism, a religion with many gods and spiritual teachings.

Brahman - The supreme, unchanging reality in Hinduism, believed to be the source of everything.

Deity - A god or goddess in a religion.

Namaste - A traditional greeting in Hinduism, meaning "I bow to the divine in you." It's a gesture of respect.

Shiva - A major god in Hinduism, known as the destroyer and transformer in the universe.

Aum - A sacred sound and symbol in Hinduism, representing the universe and the ultimate reality.

Atman - The soul or individual self in Hinduism, believed to be a part of Brahman.

Lakshmi - The goddess of wealth, prosperity, and good fortune in Hinduism. **Vishnu** - A major god in Hinduism, known as the protector and preserver of the universe.

Brahma - The god of creation in Hinduism, one of the Trimurti (three main gods: Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva).

