

Year 3 RE Knowledge Organiser Autumn 2

What do Hindus believe that God is like?



1. What do Hindu symbols and stories show about belief in Brahman?

- The sacred symbol of Brahman is known as Om or Aum.,
- Aum is made up of 3 sounds: 'A', 'U', and 'M'.
- Many Hindus believe that the one true god is Brahman.



2. How many gods are there in popular Hinduism?

- There are many gods and goddesses in Hinduism and each is a way of showing one side of Braham.
- Lord Brahma symbolises creation.
- Lord Shiva symbolises destruction



3. What does the Trimurti represent?

- Hindus believe that Brahman is comprised of 3 main forms known as the Trimurti.
- The trimurti is made up of the creator, the preserver and the destroyer.
- Some Hindus believe that a god occasionally appears on earth in a living form.



4. What do Hindu deities show about Brahman?

- Ganesh and Krishna are some of the Hindus Gods.
- Ganesh is represented with an elephant's head.
- Ganesh represents the God of beginnings.



5. What can we find out about Hindu worship in the home?

- A puja tray is used for worshipping at home.
- A Mandir is a place of worship for Hindus.
- A puja tray has many items on it that are used during worship.



6. How does the Diwali story link to a Hindu deity?

- Diwali is known as the 'festival of light', and is a Hindu festival.
- Diwali is a story about good overcoming evil. Light overcoming darkness.
- Some Hindus celebrate by dressing in brightly coloured clothes.



7. How might the idea of Brahma being in everything affect the actions of a Hindu?

- The word 'Namaste' means 'I bow to you'.
- Many Hindus believe that all living things contain a part of Brahman.

Key Vocabulary

Diwali	Is the Hindu 'festival of light' which celebrates good's victory over evil.
Murtis	Special statues or images of Hindu gods and goddesses.
Puja	An act of worship for Hindus.
Brahman	Hindus recognise one God, Brahman.
Mandir	A special place for Hindus to worship.

