

Hinduism



What is Hinduism?

- Hinduism is a religion that has many gods and goddesses.
- Hindu's are taught about one' supreme' God who is in everything. His name is **Vishnu**.
- The Hindu holy book is called the **Vedas** and is written in a language called **Sanskrit**.
- Hindu's believe the world was created by the god **Brahma**.
- The Hindu place of worship is called a temple.
- Diwali is celebrated by Hindu's to remember the Story of Rama and Sita.

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Diwali- is called the festival of light and represents the lamps Rama and Sita followed on their journey home.

Diva lamp- a small lamp lit with oil or a candle used to celebrate the festival of Diwali.

Shrine- a special place in a Hindu's home or in the temple where Hindu gods and goddesses are worshipped.

Temple- the place where Hindu's go to pray and worship God.

Kum kum powder- a special red powder used by Hindu's to place a red dot on their foreheads.

Lotus flower- a type of floating flower found on ponds and lakes.

Brahma- Hindu's believe he created the world. He is known as Lord Brahma.

Vishnu- Brahma gave power to Vishnu to watch over people and the world.

Shiva- Hindu's believe one day the world will be destroyed and that Shiva will do this.

Om/Aum- Is a very important Hindu symbol for God which Hindu's say three times before they start to pray.

Key Vocabulary

Hindu Om Aum Gods Goddesses

festival diva lamp Rama Sita shrine

Ravana Hanuman Lakshmana Shiva

Brahma worship represent temple

kum kum powder Vishnu Krishna Ganesh

defeated evil battle island lotus



