**Overview**

Hindus are the followers of the religion of Hinduism.

Hinduism is the oldest of the world religions we study, about 6000 years old.

Hindus believe in reincarnation, the belief that after death the soul is reborn into a different form.

Hindus worship in a Mandir but may also have shrines in the home.

Hindu sacred texts are called the Vedas.

Hindus believe in one Great Power called Brahman. Brahman is worshipped through many other Gods and Goddesses called Deities.

**Key Teachings**

Reincarnation is an important part of Hindu teaching. It is the belief that when you die your soul (atman) is reborn. This is called the Law of Samsara.

Mahatma Gandhi was a very influential Hindu who practised Ahimsa (non violence).

There are hundreds of Hindu Gods and Goddesses, the most significant being the Trimurti; Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva.

Hindus believe that live involves a series of duties called Dharma.

**Assessment**

* End of Year exam

**Key Words**

**Puja**

**Mandir**

**Murti**

**Vedas**

**Reincarnation**

**Bhagavad Gita**

**Dharma**

**Karma**

**Skills**

Describe and reflect on celebrations and key moments in life.

Consider and discuss making choices about what is right and wrong.

Identify and describe a range of stories, sacred writings and religious artefacts.

Respond to a range of ‘if’ and ‘why’ questions about personal belief.

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