

Tier 3 Vocabulary

Deity	A god
Belief	To accept something as truth
Worship	To show your faith in God
Puja tray	Holds important objects for <i>puja</i> / worship
Diva lamp	The candle on a puja tray that represents light triumphing over darkness
Murti	A picture or statue of a deity / god
Aarti	A ceremony where candles are lit to symbolise light in the world
Bhajan	A song used for worship
Faith	Complete trust in something / someone / a religion
Mandir	A Hindu temple
Duty	Something you have to do
Dharma	Your duty as a Hindu
Karma	When bad actions bring bad luck and good actions bring good luck
Mumbai	A big city on the West Coast of India
Justice	Fairness
Protest	Trying to change how things are. This can be violent or peaceful.
Non-violent	When a protest relies on peace, such as discussion and crowds of people
Independence	Being ruled / controlled by your own people, not by a foreign country.
Diverse	A society that celebrates different people and cultures from all around the world
British Empire	When Britain invaded and controlled many other countries, including India.
Holi	A Hindu festival celebrated in Spring with lots of colour
Diwali	A Hindu festival of light celebrated in Autumn
Bollywood	The Indian film industry which is based in Mumbai

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Skills and understanding

- To understand what is important for Hindus
- To understand how Hindus practice their faith i.e. puja and aarti
- To become familiar with some key Hindu figures and festivals

Key Facts

- Hindus pray using a puja tray . The ceremony is called aarti.
- Diwali is the Hindu festival of light.
- Mahatma Gandhi was an important Hindu who helped India become independent from British rule by using peaceful protest.
- There are lots of different ways to be a Hindu and express your faith
- Hinduism comes from India, but Hindus live all over the world. The influence of Hinduism and Indian migration to the UK can be seen in British culture.