



Bakewell Methodist Junior School

RE knowledge bank

Key questions

How do Hindus show their faith?
Faith in what?

A Hindu life; what is important?

Why is Mahatma Gandhi a Hindu Hero?

What is it like to be a Hindu in Britain today?



Vocabulary

Hindu	Someone who follows Hinduism.
Vishnu	Hindu god who protects the universe.
Brahma	Hindu god of creation
Trimurti	The three aspects of the universal supreme God
Tridevi	The three great goddesses of Hinduism.
Brahman	Hindus recognise one God, Brahman.
Mandir	A special place for Hindus to worship.
Puja	Act of worship for Hindus.
Murtis	Special status or images of Hindu gods and goddesses.
Shrine	A holy place to pray.
Shruti	Hindu holy scriptures which contain the four Vedas.
Smriti	Hindu holy scriptures which contain legends, myths and history.
Vedas	Ancient Hindu text.



What is it like to be a Hindu in Britain today?

Sticky Knowledge

Hinduism is the oldest of the world's religions. It is now practised all over the world but originated in South East Asia.

Hindus believe in reincarnation. Hindus believe a soul cannot be destroyed, so when a Hindu dies, their soul enters a new living being.

Holi is the 'festival of colours' and marks the beginning of spring with bonfires and lots of singing and dancing.

Diwali is the 'festival of lights' and is celebrated in late autumn. Diwali celebrates good's victory over evil with lots of lights around homes.

