



Topic: Hindu Dharma

Key Question: What might a Hindu learn from celebrating Diwali?

Autumn 1 Year 4

Vishnu



Hindus believe in one God called Brahman which is made up of 3 parts:

- Brahma, who creates the universe
- Vishnu, who preserves the universe
- Shiva, who destroys the universe

**Key:** Vishnu protects the world from evil. When the world is threatened, he comes down in the form of an animal or human to fight the wickedness.

These forms of Vishnu are called avatars.

Traditionally, Vishnu has had 10 previous avatars. Rama is one of Vishnu's avatars.



Vocabulary you will know...

Avatar	Animal or human form of a God
Dharma	
Moral	A lesson that can be found in a story.

Vocabulary you will hear...

Protector, preserver

The story can be found in The Ramayana.



**Key:** The story of Rama and Sita reminds Hindus that good always triumphs over evil.

During the festival of Diwali, this festival is shared and celebrated.

Rama and Sita

In the story, Rama, Sita and Hanuman represent goodness and light.

At the end of the story, an oil lamp is lit to symbolise goodness and celebrate the power of it.

Ravana represents darkness and evil.

**Key:** Light is important within Diwali celebrations as a reminder that good always overcomes evil.

This year Diwali will be celebrated on Thursday 4th November 2021.



Diwali is a five day celebration which occurs in Autumn.

Diwali is also known as the Festival of Lights.

It is celebrated by millions of people across the world each year.

Diwali

Small oil lamps called Diyas are used for decoration to remind people of the importance of light.

