Hinduism



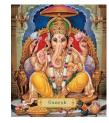
What should I already know?

What is Diwali?

What nature Gods do Hindu's have and why do they have them? How do Hindus say many things in nature came into existence?

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Vocabulary



Hindu	A follow of the religion Hinduism
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Brahman	The god that Hindu's believe in.
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Trimurti	The three main gods.
Moksha	The cycle of birth, death and rebirth.
Karma	The sum of a person's actions.
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Ganesh	One of the most famous Hindu gods.
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Ganesh	The celebration on the birth of Ganesh
Chaturthi	the birth of Ganesh

Quick Facts



- Hindus appear to believe in many different gods and goddesses but in fact they only believe in one God, Brahman. Hindus perceive Brahman in various forms.
- There are three main gods known as the Trimurti: Brahma, Vishnu, Shiva.
- Hindu's believe Moksha is a cycle of birth, death and rebirth, with our actions in this life, our "karma", effecting our future incarnations.
- Ganesh gained his elephant head after his own head was struck off by his father. He tried to find another child to replace Ganesh, but all he found was an elephant. He brought its head home and placed it on Ganesh's shoulders, who was then brought back to life.

 Ganesh Chaturthi is celebrated by images of Ganesh that are worshipped and paraded through the streets before being immersed in tanks of water or the sea. The following year, new images are made and immersed: a reminder of the cycle of life, death and reincarnation.