

Beliefs	Worship & Teachings	Living as a Hindu
<ul> <li>Hindu belief about God</li> <li>There is one God, who:         <ul> <li>Is seen in different ways and represented through different forms (deities);</li> <li>Shiva &amp; Vishnu, Rama &amp; Sita, Krishna, Lakshmi, Murugan and Ganesh;</li> <li>Stories about Shiva and Vishnu</li> <li>Rama and Krishna;</li> <li>The stories of Shiva, Rama and Sita recalled at Diwali;</li> <li>The birth of Krishna;</li> <li>Krishna and Sudhama.</li> <li>The story of Murugan and Ganesh</li> </ul> </li> <li>Religious symbols and their meanings         <ul> <li>The diva/deepa</li> <li>Hands in prayer (namaste / vanakam).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Worship in the home         <ul> <li>The shrine and what it contains.</li> <li>Puja.</li> <li>The Arti ceremony.</li> <li>Prasad (food offered, blessed and served after prayer).</li> </ul> </li> <li>Worship in the Temple (Mandir / Kovil)         <ul> <li>The Mandir is the Hindu place of worship.</li> <li>Respect to God is shown by removing shoes and sitting on the floor.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>What does it mean to belong in Hinduism?</li> <li>Love and loyalty between members of the extended family.</li> <li>Respect for:         <ul> <li>parents;</li> <li>other people;</li> <li>all living things.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Hospitality is important to Hindus.</li> <li>Festivals         <ul> <li>Diwali/ Deepavali</li> <li>Janmashtami</li> <li>Festival foods.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>