



Unit	Hindu Dharma
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NATIONAL CURRICULUM

What should I already know?

- show awareness of some Hindu celebrations e.g. Raksha Bandhan where a girl will give a boy/ male member of the family a Rakhi as a sign of protection.
- Discuss how patterns are painted on floor before festivals and why - look at and design Rangoli patterns.
- identify special times that celebrate with light. Make a story board of Rama and Sita with pictures.
- Make Diya lights to decorate the classroom., making links with other celebrations that use light such, as the birthday candle, fireworks and the Christening candle.

What will I know by the end of this unit?

- to recognise Hindu stories, contain important values, recap the story of Rama and Sita and the meaning.
- show awareness of Janmashtami festival'
- show awareness of Hindu festivals and that celebrations can be a sign of faith
- Show awareness of what happens at a Hindu wedding celebration and make Mehndi designs. Make links to other faiths.
- recognise the importance of celebrating special events with others, collectively - sample some traditional Hindu foods.

Key beliefs

Rama and Sita - a good man, called Rama, was married to a beautiful princess, called Sita. They had been banished to live in the forest with his brother, Lakshman, by his stepmother, as she wanted her son to be King. The demon king disguised himself as an old man and tricked Sita.



Janmashtami festival - Krishna Janmashtami, also known simply as Janmashtami or Gokulashtami, is an annual Hindu festival that celebrates the birth of Krishna, the eighth avatar of Vishnu.



Mehndi designs - Mehndi is a form of body art and temporary skin decoration common in the Indian Subcontinent, in which decorative designs are created on a person's body,



SCHOOL KEY DRIVERS

Language	Possibilities	Diversity
Rama and Sita Holika and Prahlad Hindu Janmashtami Krishna	Travelling visiting a Janmashtami festival trying and cooking Hindu foods	Understanding different cultures and beliefs.

