

KS2 Hinduism: Beliefs & Questions



How do questions about Brahman and atman influence the way a Hindu lives?

EVALUATE what I have learnt about Hindus' different ideas about God

What have you learnt about Hindu belief and practice in relation to Brahman and atman?



Over this half term, you have been learning about the different ideas about God that Hindus have. This is a summary of what you have been looking at:

- ENGAGE with a dilemma for some Hindu monks – Shambo the bull
- ENQUIRE into Hindu ideas about God, the world and living beings
- EXPLORE Hindu beliefs about Brahman and atman in Hindu stories
- EXPLORE Hindu beliefs about Brahman and atman in Hindu community practice
- EXPLORE Hindu beliefs about Brahman and atman in relation to Hindu daily living

ENGAGE with a dilemma for some Hindu monks

Shambo the bull – Week One

During this lesson, you focussed on the following:

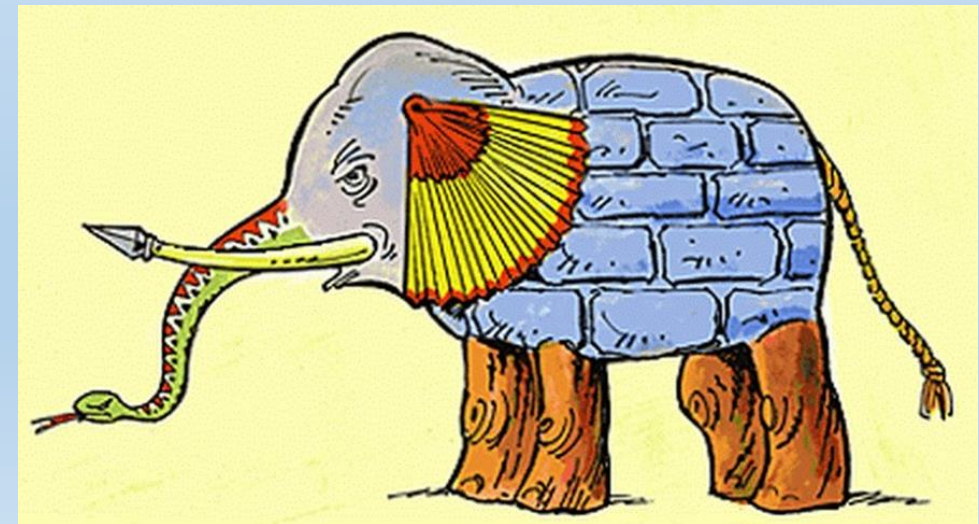
- Who Brahman and atman were to Hindus and their importance
- ‘The Magpie and the Bull’ story by Michael Morpurgo
- The video about Shambo the bull – click [here](#) to watch it again



ENQUIRE into Hindu ideas about God, the world and living beings – Week Two

During this lesson, you focussed on the following:

- ‘The Blind Men and the Elephant’ story. Click [here](#) to watch the video of the story again.
- What different ideas are there about God? You investigated the meanings of different words.
- Ideas about God in different religions.



EXPLORE Hindu beliefs about Brahman and atman in Hindu stories – Week Three

During this lesson, you focussed on the following:

- The lyrics to the song 'Colours of the Wind' from Pocahontas and their meaning.
- The stories of Svetaketu found in the Upanishads and the lessons they teach Hindus about Brahman.
- The words from the Bhagavad Gita that describe God.



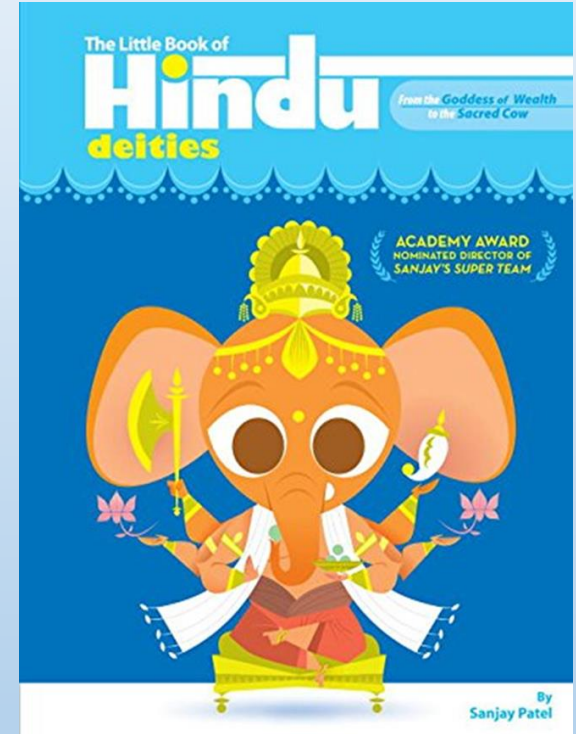
Brahman (God)

I am the taste in the water
I am the radiance in the sun and moon
I am the sound in space
I am the strength in humanity
I am the sweet fragrance of the earth
I am the brilliance in the fire
I am the life in all beings

EXPLORE Hindu beliefs about Brahman and atman in Hindu community practice – Week Four

During this lesson, you focussed on the following:

- How Hindus envisage (or see) God.
- The different Hindu deities (gods and goddesses) that they worship.
- How Hindus explain their ideas about God.



EXPLORE Hindu beliefs about Brahman and atman in Hindu daily living – Week Five

During this lesson, you focussed on the following:

- How Hindus see atman or their 'true self'.
- How Hindu people greet each other with respect.
- How the custom of 'Namaste' is connected to the idea of 'atman'.
- How the belief of 'atman' affects the way Hindus live.
- How the idea of Brahman can affect everyday life for Hindus such as: vegetarianism, respect for others, serving others and non-violence (ahimsa).



EVALUATE what I have learnt about Hindus' different ideas about God – SUMMARY

TASK: Your task today is to summarise everything that you have learnt about Brahman and atman during the past five weeks. Use the ideas on the previous slides to help you. You can choose how to present your information:

- PowerPoint slide
- Word document
- Publisher leaflet
- Poster
- Mindmap

DON'T FORGET:

- ✓ Correct spellings
- ✓ Colour
- ✓ Information from each lesson
- ✓ Neatly presented

