

This half term we will be learning about Hinduism.

Why does Hinduism have so many Gods?

OL: to understand that Hindus believe in one God represented through many deities.



The Hindu community believe in one main God called 'Brahman'. Hindus believe that Brahman (the one God) has three functions and these are shown by the three gods, Shiva, Brahma and Vishnu. These three are sometimes shown as three heads merging into one and are known as the Trimurti.

Log onto Espresso via Discovery Learning and then follow this link to a video called 'Hindu beliefs on God'

https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/video/item339410/grade2/module649434/index.html

Brahman is the thing Hindus believe gives life to everything. We can't see Brahman, so instead Hindus use a symbol to show it.

Activity:

Draw the Aum symbol in your home learning book and write down two facts about it.

Then, thinking about the Trimurti, write down one fact for each of the Gods.

Use the video and Gods and Goddesses PDF to help you.

Aum symbol



Challenge:

The story of Svetaketu is a story from the Upanishads, the oldest collection of Hindu scriptures. Can you find the story of Svetaketu adding salt to water and describe what the story is about?