



Year 7 Half Term 6 - Hindu Festivals

1. Hindu	A person who follows the religion of Hinduism.	12. Myth	A traditional story, often involving gods and heroes, that explains how something in the world came to be.
2. Hinduism	A major world religion that started in India, with many gods and goddesses and teachings from ancient texts.	13. Diwali	A Hindu festival of lights that celebrates the victory of good over evil and the return of Rama and Sita to their kingdom.
3. Festival	A special time when people come together to celebrate with food, music, and traditions.	14. Lakshmi	The Hindu goddess of wealth and good fortune, who is especially worshipped during Diwali.
4. Holi	A Hindu festival where people throw coloured powders at each other and celebrate the arrival of spring.	15. Diva	A small oil lamp used during Diwali to light up homes and symbolise the victory of light over darkness.
5. Lord Krishna	A Hindu god who is known for his playful nature and his teachings in the Bhagavad Gita.	16. Rangoli	Colourful patterns made on the ground using rice, sand, or flower petals, especially during festivals like Diwali.
6. Prahlad and Holika	Characters from a Hindu story; Prahlad was a good boy who was saved by Lord Vishnu when Holika, his evil aunt, tried to harm him.	17. Pilgrimage	A special journey that people make to a holy place for religious reasons.
7. Rama	A Hindu god and hero of the epic story "Ramayana", known for his bravery and kindness.	18. Kumbh Mela	A large Hindu festival and pilgrimage that happens every few years at different rivers in India, where millions of people gather to bathe in the holy water.
8. Sita	The wife of Rama in the "Ramayana", known for her loyalty and purity.	19. Passover	A Jewish festival that remembers the time when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.
9. Ravana	The demon king in the "Ramayana" who kidnapped Sita, leading to a great battle.	20. Shabbat	The Jewish day of rest and worship, starting on Friday evening and ending on Saturday evening.
10. Lakshmana	Rama's loyal brother who helps him in his quest to rescue Sita.	21. Baptism	A Christian ceremony where a person is sprinkled with or dunked in water to show they are becoming a follower of Jesus.
11. Hanuman	A monkey god in Hinduism who is a devoted follower of Rama and has great strength and courage.	22. Communion	A Christian ceremony where people eat bread and drink wine (or juice) to remember Jesus' last meal with his disciples.