

Hinduism – Resources

These resources are intended for use in schools from Early Years to KS3 – you may need to check that the resources suggested are age-appropriate for your particular class.

Information for Teachers

Hinduism: A Very Short Introduction (Kim Knott)

An Introduction to Hinduism (Gavin D Flood)

<http://www.reonline.org.uk/knowning/what-re/hinduism/> (general overview)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/religion/hinduism/> (general overview)

Introduction to Hinduism

<https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/z3hb4j6> (introduction to Hinduism)

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/alien-abduction-hinduism> (introduction to Hinduism)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WhTpJxJi2I> (introduction to Hinduism)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-yJM5jjhiI&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK&index=30 (BBC Teach – meeting two young Hindus)

<http://www.hinduismfacts.org/hindu-symbols/> (Hindu symbols)

Hindu Beliefs about God/Ultimate Reality

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/god/hinduismrev1.shtml> (Brahman)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/concepts/concepts_1.shtml#h6 (the concept of Brahman in Hinduism)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WhTpJxJi2I> (introduction to Hinduism, including the concept of Brahman)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/brahman> (Brahman)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/maya-Indian-philosophy> (maya - the concept of illusion)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/deities/brahma.shtml> (the Trimurti)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/trimurti-Hinduism> (the Trimurti)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/302.htm> (the Trimurti)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y9yWwFWpbRo> (Hindu Creation story)

<https://www.asabharwal.com/the-vedas-and-the-creation-of-the-world/> (creation story in the Rig Veda)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0h8HKtHg6w4> (introduction to Lakshmi)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uq6_HUMtQtI&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK&index=33 (BBC Teach – *samsara*, the cycle of birth, life, death and reincarnation)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02gj232> (Hindu creation stories)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/hinduism/goddesses> (female deities and Shaktism)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/tradition/1203.htm> (Shaktism and the female in Hinduism)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/deities/lakshmi.shtml> (Lakshmi)

<https://www.lotussculpture.com/parvati1.html> (Parvati/Kali)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INv2gdpfXPQ> (deities in Hinduism)

<http://www.iskcon.org/what-is-vaishnavism/> (Vaishnavism and its connection with the Hare Krishna movement)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/vaishnavism> (Vaishnavism)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/tradition/1201.htm> (Vaishnavism)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/shaivism> (Shaivism)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/tradition/1202.htm> (Shaivism)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/god/hinduismrev2.shtml> (avatars in Hinduism)

<https://www.thoughtco.com/top-hindu-deities-1770309> (deities in Hinduism)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRX2iM2nBLk> (taking part in Durga puja)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLk0x0tWfHQ> (Ganesh)

Hindu Sacred Texts

<http://kids.baps.org/thingsstoknow/scriptures/index.htm> (Hindu scriptures)

<https://kathakids.com/mahabharata/home> (Mahabarata)

<http://kids.asiasociety.org/stories/mahabharata> (overview of the whole Mahabarata)

http://www.kidsgen.com/fables_and_fairytales/indian_mythology_stories/the_bhagavad_gita.htm
(story of Arjuna and Krishna)

<http://www.umsl.edu/~naumannj/Geography%20PowerPoint%20Slides/major%20religions/The%20story%20of%20Rama%20and%20Sita.ppt> (story of Rama and Sita from the Ramayana)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRpNNF4fB4g&list=PLcvEcRsF_9zliwCZSRPXjf75R1n978G5v&index=9&t=0s (BBC Teach - story of Rama and Sita)

<https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/ztrfqhv> (BBC Bitesize - story of Rama and Sita)

Hindu Beliefs about Human Beings

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v8sj8pHSFuE> (the four varnas)

<https://www.holy-bhagavad-gita.org/chapter/18> (description of the duties of each varna, vv. 41-44)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/701.htm> (four varnas)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/index.htm> (four margas)

<http://www.sivananda.org/teachings/fourpaths.html#karma> (four margas)

<https://www.yogaindailylife.org/system/en/the-four-paths-of-yoga> (four margas)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/magazine-25006926> (Does doing yoga make you a Hindu?)

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/guides/z89whyc/revision/4> (yoga in Hinduism)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/702.htm> (four ashramas)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/ashrama> (four ashramas)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iXtK40EgJb4> (four ashramas)

https://www.hinduwebsite.com/hinduism/h_women.asp (role of women in Hinduism)

<http://history-of-hinduism.blogspot.com/2010/10/devotional-love-in-hinduism.html> (love in Hinduism)

<http://pluralism.org/religions/hinduism/introduction-to-hinduism/bhakti-the-way-of-devotion/>
(bhakti – devotional love)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/relationships/hiloveandsexrev1.shtml> (Hindu views on love and sex)

<https://www.hrc.org/resources/stances-of-faiths-on-lgbt-issues-hinduism> (Hindu views on LGBT issues)

<http://www.galva108.org/> (gay and lesbian Vaishnava association – offers support to LGBTI Vaishnavas [followers of Vishnu] and Hindus)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/hinduism/homosexuality> (Hindu views on homosexuality)

<https://www.funeralwise.com/customs/hindu/beliefs/> (Hindu beliefs about death and dying)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/death/hindubeliefrev2.shtml> (Hindu beliefs about death)

Hindu Festivals

<http://kids.baps.org/thingstoknow/festival/11.htm> (Raksha Bandhan)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-weku8zt6es&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK&index=32 (BBC Teach – Raksha Bandhan)

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/diwali-detail-part-1> (celebrating Diwali - part 1)

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/diwali-detail-part-2> (celebrating Diwali - part 2)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Niy1XYspVfg&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK&index=37 (BBC Teach – Diwali)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qeguiNi3Uac&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK&index=36 (BBC Teach – Holi)

Hindu Worship

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/holy-cribs-mandir> (the mandir)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o-s0mN5P8jo&index=31&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK (BBC Teach – visiting a mandir)

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/day-life-hindu-priest> (a day in the life of a Hindu priest)

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/charlie-and-blue-hear-all-about-hindu-worship> (Hindu worship - EYFS/KS1)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4ISnFCnGmg&index=34&list=PLcvEcrcF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK (BBC Teach – Hindu pilgrimage)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rs83rrB5E4E&list=PLcvEcrcF_9zJxDHG9JtcCmiAgwVFRW3uK&index=35 (BBC Teach – Hindu wedding)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/ritesrituals/weddings.shtml> (Hindu marriage)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/316.htm> (ISKCON Hindu worship at home)

<https://www.bbc.com/education/clips/zh2hyrd> (BBC Bitesize - puja at home)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0114z20> (puja)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jDc4CJscWws> (places of worship – the mandir)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/worship/worship.shtml> (Hindu worship)

http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/ngfl/re/m_parry_carmarthenshire/artefactau/cysegrfa.htm (artefacts for Hindu worship at home)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/314.htm> (Hindu shrine)

<http://londonmandir.baps.org/worship/murti-puja-image-worship-in-hinduism/> (murtis in Hindu worship)

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/clips/zh734wx> (worship in a Hindu mandir)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02n5wvr> (My Life, My Religion – Hinduism)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/308.htm> (murtis in Hinduism)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/bhakti> (bhakti - devotion)

<https://truetube.co.uk/film/happy-birthday-krishna> (Worship of Krishna - TrueTube)

<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/practice/600.htm> (samskaras/sankaras in Hinduism)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/relationships/himarriageanddivorcerev1.shtml> (Hindu weddings and marriage)

<https://www.culturalindia.net/weddings/regional-weddings/hindu-wedding.html> (diverse wedding traditions in Hinduism)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d9XalpEzIF4> (Vivaha samskara – wedding)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/prejudice/hinduismrev3.shtml> (attitudes to women)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/death/hindudeathritesrev2.shtml> (Hindu funeral rites)

<http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/hinduism/2001/02/rites-of-transition-hindu-death-rituals.aspx> (Hindu death rituals)

<https://www.everplans.com/articles/hindu-funeral-traditions> (Hindu funeral traditions)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p010xrxy> (Hindu prayer at home)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/sannyasi> (definition of **sannyasi**)

<http://www.sanatankultura.com/index.php/en/hinduism/sannyasa-en/21-english/en-hinduism> (**sannyasi** in Hinduism)

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/guides/zrb42hv/revision/4> (wealth and poverty in Hinduism)

http://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Sadhu_and_Swami (**sadhu**, **swami** and **sannyasi**)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8BLPE-pWKWo> (**Varanasi**, city of **sadhus**)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p010xbpx> (BBC Becoming a Sadhu)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3csxgsr> (BBC World Service Holy Hobos: the Everyday Life of Hindu Sadhus)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p024vj65> (BBC 80 Faiths - Owen Jones meets a sadhu)

<http://www.bbc.com/travel/story/20160418-the-holy-sadhu-who-loves-shakespeare> (BBC Travel - meeting a sadhu)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4ISnFCnGmg&list=PLcvEcrsF_9zK0q_Ey3yl7k5LA5v1M7NNs&index=39&t=1s (A Hindu pilgrimage – BBC Teach)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PSM7MYwwgpU> (UNESCO Kumbh Mela)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nV7P533M3D0> (BBC Extreme Pilgrim – The River)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Kumbh-Mela> (Kumbh Mela)

<https://www.thebetterindia.com/55090/10-facts-kumbh-mela/> (10 facts about the Kumbh Mela)

<https://ich.unesco.org/en/RL/kumbh-mela-01258> (Kumbh Mela)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/world-asia-34237280/kumbh-mela-explained-in-60-seconds> (Kumbh Mela in 60 seconds)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/world-asia-india-21404271/kumbh-mela-millions-on-spiritual-journey-of-a-lifetime> (report on Kumbh Mela)

Hindu Views on Ethical Issues

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/environment/histewardshiprev1.shtml> (Hinduism and the environment)

<https://edenkeeper.org/2014/01/31/hinduism-environment/> (Hinduism and the environment)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/war/hinduismrev1.shtml> (Hindu views on war and peace)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/hinduethics/war.shtml> (Hindu views on war)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/hinduethics/animal.shtml> (Hinduism and animal rights)

http://think-differently-about-sheep.com/Animal_Rights_A_History_Hinduism.htm (Hindu perspectives on animals and animal rights)

<https://berkeleycenter.georgetown.edu/essays/hinduism-on-wealth-and-poverty> (Hindu views on wealth and poverty)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/poverty/hiconcernrev1.shtml> (Hindu views on care for others)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/hinduethics/euthanasia.shtml> (Hindu views on euthanasia and suicide)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/rs/sanctity/hieuthanasiarev2.shtml> (Hindu views on euthanasia)

<http://www.religionfacts.com/hinduism/euthanasia> (Hindu views on euthanasia and suicide)

<https://www.nursingtimes.net/roles/nurse-educators/nursing-with-dignity-part-7-hinduism/206286.article> (nursing with dignity - Hindu belief and practice)

Diversity in Hinduism

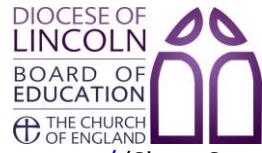
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vYRopDzdNmg> (Being Hindu in the UK)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UVHhiP9dJJg> (Krishna Avanti primary school in Edgware – first Hindu state school)

https://warwick.ac.uk/services/equalops/resources/guide_to_hinduism_in_he.pdf (Guide to Hinduism, pp. 15-19)

<http://londonmandir.baps.org/> (Shri Swamanarayan Mandir, Neasden)

<https://www.baps.org/Global-Network/UK-and-Europe/Leicester.aspx> (Shri Swamanarayan Mandir, Leicester)



<https://www.shreesanatanmandirleicester.com/> (Shree Santan Mandir, Leicester)