

Exploring Hindu Beliefs: A Fact-File with Ellie

Learning objective: To identify and describe key features of Hinduism, including core beliefs and traditions.

Help Ellie the elephant learn more about Hinduism! Use your RE textbook or trusted classroom resources to research the information needed to complete this fact-file. Write in full sentences and ensure your facts are accurate.

Word bank: Brahman · Atman · Dharma · Karma · Moksha · Shruti · Smriti · Deities · Puja

1. The Concept of Brahman: Explain what Hindus believe about the nature of God or the ultimate reality. (3 marks)

2. Key Deities: Choose one Hindu deity (such as Ganesha, Shiva, or Lakshmi) and describe their role and why they are important. (3 marks)

3. Living by Dharma: Define the term 'Dharma' and explain why it is important for a Hindu to follow it in their daily life. (3 marks)

4. Sacred Texts: Identify one sacred text within Hinduism and describe its purpose or what it teaches followers. (2 marks)

5. Puja at Home: Describe what happens during a 'Puja' ceremony and why many Hindus have a shrine in their home. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Choose one of the Hindu festivals you have researched, such as Diwali or Holi, and write a short paragraph explaining the significance of the festival and how it is celebrated by families.