

Diwali: The Festival of Light Flashcards

Learning objective: To understand the key terms and traditions associated with the Hindu festival of Diwali.

Read the front of the card. Try to guess the answer before looking at the back. Use the word bank to help you understand the meanings.

What is Diwali?

A Hindu festival known as the Festival of Light.

What do Diyas represent?

Small clay lamps used to light up homes and guide goodness.

What is a Rangoli?

A beautiful pattern made on the floor using colourful powder or sand.

What does Diwali celebrate?

The victory of good over evil and light over darkness.

Who is the goddess often worshipped during Diwali?

Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth and prosperity.

What do many families do to prepare their homes?

They clean their homes and decorate them to welcome good fortune.

What do fireworks symbolise during the festival?

They celebrate joy and the triumph of light.

Is Diwali a quiet or busy time?

It is a busy time with family gatherings, gifts, and delicious food.

What does the word 'Deepavali' mean?

It means 'a row of lamps'.

Why do people wear new clothes at Diwali?

To show a fresh start and happiness for the new year.