

Topic: Hindu Dharma

Key Question: Is there one journey or many?

Autumn 2 Year 6

Samsara



Samsara is the circle of life.



Karma affects reincarnation.

Death

Hindu's believe people are born, live and die. They are reincarnated and born again.

Moksha

A Hindu's ultimate goal is to achieve Moksha. This is the freedom from the cycle of Samsara.



Good or bad luck with results from how a Karma person has acted.

Reincarnation The rebirth of a soul in another body



Vocabulary you will hear...



Ceremony, rites of passage, tradition, symbolises

The Four Ashramas

These are the 4 stages of life according to Hindus.



Hindus follow many rites and rituals and they use these to mark the important stages of life.

Samskaras

These rites and rituals are known as Samskaras. There is a total of 16 different Samskaras.



Brahmacharya	Grihastha	Vanaprastha	Sanyaas
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Age 1 year to 25 years Approximately	Age 26 year to 50 years Approximately	Age 51 year to 75 years Approximately	Age 76 year onwards
Bachelor, student phase of life	Married life phase and duties of maintaining a Household	Retirement phase and handing over responsiblities to next generation.	Phasee of giving up material desires and prejudices. Wandering Ascetic Stage

Name	When	What happens
Upanayana (Sacred Thread)	Brachmacharya Stage (1st Stage of Life)	A ceremony for boys in some Hindu communities to confirm they are of an age to take on religious responsibility. The male participant's head is shaved for the ceremony, symbolising a cleansing from their old ways of living. New clothes are put on after bathing. Gifts and blessings from family and friends are often received.