

Year 6 Summer 1
LAS: Life journey – Hinduism
How do people mark important events in life?

What should we know?

- Hindus believe in reincarnation and spiritual freedom (Moksha).
- Hindus see life as a cycle consisting of 16 samskaras.
- That Hindu religious beliefs are based on a set of holy scriptures (the Vedas).
- Namkarna is the naming ceremony for a Hindu baby.
- The Sacred Thread ceremony purifies a boy so that he is ready for the next stage in his life.



What should we be able to do:

- Suggest why some people see life as a journey and identify some of the key milestones on this journey.
- Understand how Hindus welcome a baby into a family.
- Name some of the samskaras linked to the birth and welcoming of a baby.
- Say why these milestones are important to Hindus and how they mark important events in life.
- Explain what happens during the sacred thread ceremony.

What vocabulary should we know by the end of the unit:

ceremony		moksha		traditions		welcoming	
samskaras		Hinduism		promise		calmness	
belonging		scriptures		suffering		mundane	
journey		dharma		misery		purify	
reincarnation		sacred		milestones		alms	