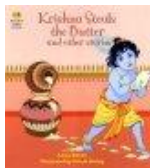


Celebrating Religious Diversity - Hinduism

These books have been specially selected for families to share with young children to develop an appreciation of the religious diversity in our community. This booklist was developed in cooperation with Surrey's Neighbouring Faiths Program. To learn more about SNFP and the 9 affiliated faith groups, please visit <http://snfp.ca>.

Krishna steals the butter and other stories **By Anita Ganeri, illustrated by Nilesh Mistry**

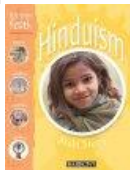
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Krishna Steals the Butter and Other Stories gives young children a first introduction to classic stories from the Hindu faith. Four beautifully illustrated tales introduce key beliefs and festivals, while commentaries for parents and teachers explain the content and meaning of each story.

Hinduism **By Holly Wallace**

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Find out all about the faith of Hinduism through the eyes of Babu, a young Hindu from Nepal. In her own words, Babu talks about her beliefs, her family, her everyday life, the rituals and traditions that are important to her, and about the festivals and special days that are celebrated by Hindus around the world.

The Divali story **By Anita Ganeri, illustrated by Carole Gray**

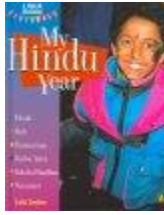
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The Hindu story of *Rama Rescues Sita* is beautifully told and richly illustrated in *The Divali Story*. The book also includes additional information about the festival of Divali and the *Ramayana*, a recipe for Divali candies, as well as ideas for things to make.

My Hindu year **By Cath Senker**

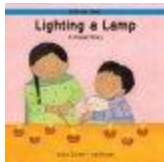
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Take twelve months in a Hindu year. There are lots of exciting festivals and special events, from Diwali, Holi and Ramnavami, to Ratha Yatra, Raksha Bandhan and Navaratri. Eight year old Dhara has kept a diary through the year. Find out how people celebrate each festival all around the world. Turn the pages of Dhara's diary and read what it's like to be at each event.

Lighting a lamp : a Diwali story **By Jonny Zucker, illustrated by Jan Barger Cohen**

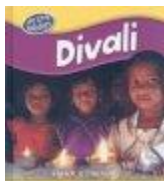
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A simple and delightful introduction to the Hindu festival of Diwali - suitable for the very youngest child. Follow a family as they make rangoli patterns, light diyas, and watch a brilliant fireworks display to celebrate their amazing festival of light.

Diwali **By Saviour Pirotta**

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Introduces this Hindu and Sikh holiday, discussing when it takes place, its history and significance, how it is celebrated, and the New Year's celebrations which follow it.

Celebrate Diwali **By Deborah Heiligman**

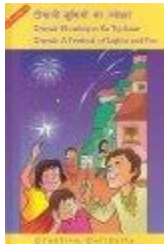
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Beautiful, dynamic photographs and brief, lively text introduce readers to the joyous holiday of Diwali, evoking the celebrations of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains around the world. Although celebrated differently in different places, Diwali is universally viewed as a time of great joy, celebrated with fireworks, sweets, and gifts. *Celebrate Diwali* brings to life the holiday's traditions, food, and celebration rituals. The informative back matter includes Diwali recipes and a Diwali card game.

Diwali: Khushiyon Ka Tyohaar/Diwali: a Festival of Lights and Fun **By Manisha Kumar**

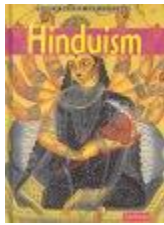
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Diwali is one of the most special of festivals of India, now celebrated around the world. Explore the merriment of Diwali with a charming family who brings the "festival of lights" to life. This dual language book in Hindi and English animates the traditions and liveliness of Diwali through rhyme, captivating pictures, and a read along CD providing both Hindi and English text.

Hinduism **By Sue Penney**

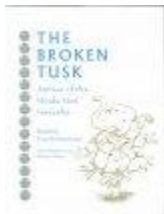
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Hinduism explores typical places of worship for Hindus, as well as major sites and places of pilgrimage around the world. There are clear explanations of Hinduism's holy books, symbols, teachings and forms of worship, and how these affect moral and social issues. The significance of major festivals and life's rites of passage is also covered, backed up with personal accounts from young people from all over the world.

The broken tusk : stories of the Hindu God Ganesha **Retold by Uma Krishnaswami, with illustrations by Maniam Selven**

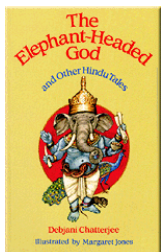
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A collection of stories about the pantheon of Hindu gods, centering on the sometimes greedy, sometimes impulsive, but always generous, elephant-headed Ganesha.

The elephant-headed god and other Hindu tales **By Debjani Chatterjee**

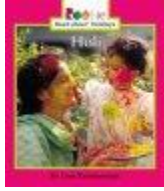
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The world of Hindu mythology comes alive in this collection of twelve traditional tales of ancient India. Gods and goddesses, kings and queens, heroes and beggars, angelic beings and demons - their stories contain much of the enduring wisdom of India. Some of the characters will be familiar to children in a multicultural society, while others will be completely new. Sillfully retold by an Indian-born storyteller and poet, these classic tales are sure to capture the hearts and stir the imaginations of children of all ages everywhere.

Holi **By Uma Krishnaswami**

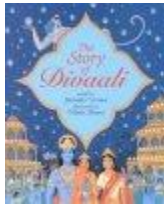
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An introduction for kids to Holi, a Hindu festival that celebrates the arrival of spring and the triumph of good over evil. Colorful photos and simple text encourage children to read on their own as they learn about the meaning of Holi and how this exciting holiday is celebrated.

The story of Divaali **Retold by Jatinder Verma, illustrated by Nilesh Mistry**

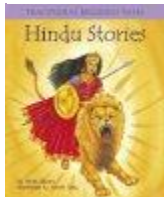
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Retells the Hindu tale of a heroic prince and his bride who are separated by the demon prince Ravana until the Monkey Army of Hanuman, god of the wind, helps them. Includes facts about Divaali, the festival celebrating Rama and Sita's return to their kingdom.

Hindu stories **By Anita Ganeri, illustrated by Carole Gray**

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Presents stories related to the Hindu religion, including tales about Hindu gods and goddesses.

I am Hindu **By Devi S. Aiyengar**

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A child introduces the reader to the Hindu religion.
