

The Diwali Festival

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What is Diwali?

A Hindu festival that celebrates good defeating evil and light overcoming darkness. It is also celebrated by Sikhs and Jains.

Diwali is a time of year where Hindus celebrate the victory of a Hindu god (Lord Rama) over evil and his return to home city.

Rama is one of the forms of the Hindu God Vishnu.

The day after Diwali is New Year's Day in the Hindu calender.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRpNNF4fB4g

Video from 1:00 to 4:00



What is the Story?

The story of Diwali is a goddess called Sita, getting kidnapped by an evil man called 'Ravan', Sita's Husband, Ram, and another god called hanuman go to Ravan's kingdom to fight for Sita.

Ram and Hanuman win the fight and take sita home. This event represents their journey coming back home. Therefore Hindus light candles and make rangoli patterns to 'show them the way back home'.





How do Hindus Celebrate Diwali?

Diwali is celebrated in a similar way to Christmas, people decorate their homes, visit a place of worship, spend time with their families and eat lots of food!

In addition lots of lamps are lit and fireworks are used to represent light overcoming darkness. Also beautiful 'rangoli' patterns are designed and created to decorate the front of their homes.



A few Images related to Diwali

