

Indus Civilization

- * The river floods and then they made pits with water inside. ^{Because they need it and they don't want floods}
- The children had toys because they could play and the city can't fight
- ↳ Peaceful civilization = toys
- They built riverbeds to prevent the water flooding } Had a water system
- Used aqueducts }
queducts: carry or transport water
- ↳ Earthquake (giantic) caused the water to flow away
- They made ornaments, ivory and gold for jewelry, art, metalworking
- * Found thousands of documents but we don't know what they mean ^{Can not translate}
- * They have a written language = no translation
- Famous cities are Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro

Hinduism

reincarnation

The Main Life Goals of Hindus

The main aim in life for a Hindu is to obtain moksha (freedom). This freedom allows a person to become one with Brahman, the Ultimate Reality. In order to achieve moksha, one has to free oneself from samsara.

Samsara is the cycle of births, deaths and rebirths which Hindus believe all humans are bound to follow.

The number of births any individual must have is determined by their actions. This includes both ritual actions, such as worship and social actions, like looking after your family. In order to control one's actions and their results one has to discipline the mind and body.

There are three goals in life which must be kept in balance if moksha is to be achieved. These are:



- *dharma*, right conduct or doing one's duty
- *artha*, material prosperity
- *kama*, the enjoyment of the good things of life

living a good life.

The right balance of these is essential. If some one pursues material wealth or worldly pleasure without consideration of their duties to others, they would not be

Equally a person who ignores material things altogether would not be able to provide for his or her family.

Hindus believe that every human being has within himself or herself something of God. Those who possess a very large measure of the divine are known as avatars.

The word 'avatar' is used to describe:

- Incarnations (embodiments) of the gods such as Rama and Krishna who are believed to be incarnations of the God, Vishnu.
- Holy people and teachers of any religion. A Hindu may regard Jesus or Muhammad as avatars, for example.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the main aim in life for a Hindu? 2. What must one do to achieve moksha? 3. What is Samsara? 4. What decides the number of births any individual must have. 5. What 3 goals in life must be kept in balance? 6. Why would it be wrong to ignore material things altogether? 7. What is an avatar? 8. Have you decided on your main goals in life?

1. Moksha or have freedom - 1 Brahman
2. Has to free oneself from samsara
3. reincarnation
4. By their actions
5. dharma, artha, kama
6. Not a good life
7. a very large measure

Hinduism

ism: religion of India

ma: laws of cause and effect

das: ancient text collected by stories

Hindus were polytheistic Many gods

Hindus should respect their elders, accept their role in society, and never complain about their situations Take what you get and don't

From India - Hindu is a Persian word for India ^{throw a fit}

hman: supreme being

Hindus believe in 33 million gods and goddesses

Life on earth is regarded as temporary

Reincarnation is determined by action

msat: belief in non-violence

whether you go to a good or bad place.

ma: good and bad deeds

Dharma tells that the person needs to have the best of his life

Hindus are familiar with Epics than Vedas

Hindus worship individual then public

'Keep it to themselves

Geography of India

- Have a lot of **Freshwater** from **rivers**
- All the houses shows that they are **equal**
- * We don't know a much about India because we could not **translate** their texts
- * India becomes **isolated** because of the **tallest** **mountain** from Nepal
- Without the Indus river, it would be **desert**
- Indus river is possible because of water
- People bath in **Ganges River** to wash their **sins away** think it's holy

Monsoons: seasonal winds that would dominate the **climate of India**

- It brings a cycle of **wet and dry seasons**
- **Earthquake changes river course**

provides water

the effect is that we won't get water

India Caste System

c: the system of dividing society into classes

Members are Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, Sudra

Dalits are not allowed in the caste

1 in 6 indians are untouchables

They use these laws called Jim Crow Laws to segregate blacks

System last 3,000 years

2 women are murdered everyday

Varna is the name for the caste system

The Indus Valley had a better civilization than the Aryans

If you're born to a caste, that were your parents or from generation

You can not move up, but down

If you are a forner, criminal, etc. meat, jobs, have disease you will be placed as an untouchable

Your caste determines your job, position, economic potential, friends, eat, marry

American dream goes against will of God

The jobs for Dalits is garbage collecting, removing human waste, removing dead animals, tanning leather

* Cannot translate Indus Review Main Thing

Farmers liked living near the Indus river because it provides fertile for crops!
Called "The King River" because it needed water

Harappa

Surrounded by strong walls

Mohenjo-Daro

Had the Great Bath to wash away sins

Ancient writings of their civilization, we can not translate

They had a sewer system.

Dogs lived there because they found some dog bones

Children played with toys to show that they are peaceful

Trade was important

Farmers plants seeds after the river had flooded to grow faster

Houses were made from mud bricks

They didn't use money, but they used seals that have an animal carved and writings on top

Writings and seals were left behind but we can't translate

The cities have been abandoned

They traded with Mesopotamia,

The river changed it's course from an earthquake.

Cows are sacred! Why there vegetarian

drawing

India Review

- Himalayas provide water and isolation
- Does a lot of trade
- Winter monsoons are dry
- Summer monsoons brings water for crops
- Mohenjo-Daro had a drainage system
- Indus Valley was advanced
- The decline is mysterious
 - * could be an earthquake
 - * climate change
- Hindus believe that there is more than one path to truth
- Believe in reincarnation, non-violence
- Yoga: means union
 - Show devotion at home
 - Hindus believe that yoga helps free the soul
 - Siddhartha wondered why there was many suffering
 - Came up with Eightfold path
 - Attachment causes suffering
 - Buddha believes in reincarnation and nirvana
 - Indus valley has written language but can not translate
 - Sanskrit was the important language for Aryans

Buddhism

Buddhism and Hindus believe in reincarnation

Buddhism opposes the cast system

Buddhism teach that priest are not important

Started in India

Believe what your actions

Founded by Siddhartha Gautama

Gives all of his wealth to figure out the suffering of humanity

Believe in Dharma, Nirvana, and Reincarnation

Buddha: The Enlighted one

The 4 Noble Truths

Ordinary Life brings about suffering

The origin of suffering is attachment

The cessation of suffering is attainable

There is an eightfold path to the cessation of suffering

The middle way is to avoid the extreme

Your goal is to free oneself from greed

Why