



Teaching/Learning Resources

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Glossaries

A Note on Language and Terminology

Throughout this document we have used transliterated versions of Hindu and *Sanskrit* terms as suggested by the experts and resource people that assisted in the development of this resource. Transliteration is not an exact science and there will be variations in the transliteration of the original terms used. As well, there are regional, sect, cultural, and other variants in the spelling and pronunciation of the original Hindu and *Sanskrit* terms. Lastly, as with any language, there will be variations in the names and terms used for specific persons, items, concepts, gods and goddesses, and other elements of Hindu beliefs, rituals, icons, and practices.

Therefore, rather than provide phonetic spellings, we have chosen to provide information on audio glossaries.

Audio Glossaries

- Annenberg Learner Audio Glossary
https://www.learner.org/courses/worldhistory/audio_glossary_all.html
- Hindu Academy, Hinduism for Schools, Glossary and Pronunciation Guide
www.hinduacademy.org/schools/glossary.htm
- The Online Sanskrit Pronunciation Guide provides an accurate pronunciation, transliteration, and definition of Sanskrit terms used in *yoga*, texts and teachings.
www.tilakpyle.com/sanskrit.htm
- The Shap Working Party on World Religions in Education Audio Glossary
www.shapworkingparty.org.uk/glossary/a.html

Text Glossaries

- ISKCON Educational Services—The Heart of Hinduism: Glossary,
<https://iskconeducationalservices.org/HoH/extras/02glossary.htm>
- Oxford Dictionary of Hinduism, by W. J. Johnson, published in print and online 2009. www.oxfordreference.com/view/10.1093/acref/9780198610250.001.0001/acref-9780198610250
- Wikipedia: Glossary of Hindu Terms, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Glossary_of_Hinduism_terms

Local Resource People

- Manju Lodha is an artist, educator, and community member that has long been active in promoting interfaith education.
- Manitoba Multifaith Council,
www.manitobamultifaithcouncil.ca/
- Tara Maniar is a Spiritual Life Coach and Hindu practitioner who specializes in *chakra* dance. For contact information, see www.taramaniar.com/about-me/.
- Dr. Robert Menzies, Contract Instructor, University of Winnipeg: Teaching Areas: Asian Religions; Religions of India; Buddhist Traditions; Women in Asian Religions; Hindu Religious Textual Traditions; South Asians in the Diaspora. Email: r.menzies@uwinnipeg.ca



Figure 39: Ray Dirks, Isam Aboud, and Manju Lodha (In the Spirit of Humanity Project)

Videos

Online

- Explanation of Hindu Beliefs (11 minutes): A Hindu priest explains the four key principles of Hinduism. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=THhslqtioqg>
- Hindu Temples (5 minutes): A description and illustration of various Hindu temples. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yiupwfu_h0k
- Hinduism Today Videos (<https://www.youtube.com/user/HinduismTodayVideos/videos>): The YouTube channel of Hinduism Today offers a variety of videos on diverse aspects of Hinduism in English, French, and other languages. The collection includes two-part videos on the History of Hindu India.
- Introduction to Hinduism (9 ½ minutes): Provides a brief synopsis of Hindu beliefs and practices by the Chicago police service. www.youtube.com/watch?v=DoFO8N5bv3s
- My Life, My Religion: Hinduism (28 minutes): A BBC documentary about life as a Hindu from a teenage perspective. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eXTNKcXrEXI>
- PBS offers a number of resources on Hinduism including an 8-minute video on Hinduism and present-day India. www.pbs.org/video/2204103677/
- Resource Database to accompany “Exploring World Religions: The Canadian Perspective, Hinduism,” www.arts.mun.ca/worldreligions/resources/hinduism/#
- Watch Know Learn: Provides videos and links to videos on philosophy, religion and ethics, including a number on various themes related to Hinduism. www.watchknowlearn.org/Category.aspx?CategoryID=1778
- What is Yoga? (4 minutes): A brief explanation of the various forms of yoga. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gNcx8H7pcMg>

DVDs

- Kingsley, Ben. Greenstar Television; Liberty International Entertainment Inc; Schlessinger Media, Hinduism. Toronto, ON: Liberty International Entertainment, Inc.; CVS Midwest Tape [distributor], 2003, c2000.
- Steward, Colleen Needles; Zuerlein, John-Michael. Schlessinger Media; Tremendous! Entertainment Inc; CVS Midwest Tape (Firm) What is Hinduism? Wynnewood, Penn.: Toronto: Schlessinger Media; CVS Midwest Tape [distributor], c2006, c2003.

Websites

- BBC has a number of resources on Religion on two sites. One is the archived web pages on Religions (www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism) and the second is the new Religions and Ethics web-based resources (Religion and Ethics—Hinduism/The first set of resources comprises more traditional world religions information and backgrounders on Hinduism. The second set of resources is more issue and topics based.
- Exploring World Religions: The Canadian Perspective (www.arts.mun.ca/worldreligions/resources/hinduism/#) is a resource database created to support a text by the same title that is listed in the Books and Articles section of this profile.
- Devi: The Great Goddess (www.asia.si.edu/devi/index.htm) is an online Smithsonian exhibit on the Hindu goddess, Devi, including text and images.
- Hindu Blog (www.hindu-blog.com/p/about-hindu-blog.html) is an online blog/magazine dedicated to the subject and exploration of *Sanatan Dharma*/Hinduism (e.g., festivals, astrology, temples, sacred places, fasting, rituals, beliefs), as well as current developments in Hindu society and religion.
- Hindu Gallery (www.hindugallery.com/) is a portal that provides a collection of vintage and contemporary images of various Hindu deities, temples, artifacts, and other resources. As well, it provides lyrics for a number of slokhas (devotional verses) in English and other regional Indian languages, audio links to hymns and devotional songs, and so on. Lastly, the site provides information on the requirements and procedures for various *pujas* performed for diverse deities.
- Hindu Kids (www.hindukids.org/index.html) is a child-focused interactive and fun website on Hinduism. It provides videos and other resources for young learners.
- Hinduism Today (www.hinduismtoday.com/) is an online magazine by Himalayan Academy that features articles and other resources. It offers an educational section with articles, videos, and other resources on Hinduism and India.
- The Hindu Universe (www.hindunet.org/) is an international Hindu news site that offers simple and accessible explanations of the basics of Hinduism. It includes articles on contemporary issues; for example, the site features several articles on Hindu women, including one on female infanticide.
- Hindu Website (www.hinduwebsite.com/hinduindex.asp) provides information on Hinduism and related religions.
- Hinduism Today is an online magazine that features additional resources about the Hindu religion. The website provides access to past issues of the magazine as well as videos, and provides the latest news on Hinduism (www.hinduismtoday.com/).

- ISKCON Educational Services is a British Hindu service provider whose site offers a number of educational resources online including the Heart of Hinduism Teacher Resources Pack, fact sheets on Twelve Main Hindu Deities, and Twenty-Five Interesting Facts about Hinduism, Stories and Teaching Ideas. <http://iskconeducationalservices.org/our-services/educational-resources/>
- Kumbh Mela (www.kumbhmela.com/#) is a site about the Hindu pilgrimage Kumbh Mela. It features articles and an image gallery. Mahavidya (www.mahavidya.ca/) is a site intended as a resource for the scholarly study of the Hindu tradition. It features the work of second-year university students at the University of Lethbridge who were in their first semester-long course on Hinduism. Some entries are from students in upper level classes.
- Patheos is a web-based resource dedicated to global dialogue about religion and spirituality. The site Patheos seeks to provide credible and balanced information about religion. The site features channels on specific faiths, articles about topics related to religious diversity, and a religion library. For resources specific to Hinduism, see www.patheos.com/Hindu# & <http://www.patheos.com/Library/Hinduism>.
- Ontario Consultants on Religious Tolerance is a Canadian multifaith website that offers information on Hinduism and other religions. See www.religioustolerance.org/hinduism.htm.
- Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies (www.ochs.org.uk/) is the website of Oxford University dedicated to the study of Hinduism.
- Religion Facts, Hinduism is a website that offers facts on specific religions. See www.religionfacts.com/hinduism.
- Sacred Hindu Texts: The website Sacred Texts offers sacred texts from a diversity of religions. See www.sacred-texts.com/hin/ for Hindu sacred texts in English.
- Sanatan Society: The website of an international association of students of the *guru* Harish Johari provides information on a variety of themes related to Hinduism and yoga. See www.sanatansociety.org/.
- The Canadian Encyclopedia, Hinduism is available at www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/hinduism/.
- ThoughtCo, Lifelong Learning is a website that features articles on science, history, math, and religion. It provides multiple articles and resources on Hinduism and other faiths (<https://www.thoughtco.com/hinduism-4133173>).
- Understanding Hinduism (www.hinduism.co.za/index.html) is a guide to all things Hindu, which offers a variety of perspectives on various themes. The site also offers the text of Hinduism—A Brief Sketch by Swami Vivekananda, which was read at the World’s Parliament of Religions in Chicago on September 19, 1893 (www.hinduism.co.za/hinduism_brief_sketch.htm).

Infographics and Images

- Behance is an Adobe Creative platform/website dedicated to showcasing and discovering Creative Work. See <https://www.behance.net/>.
- Student Show is similar to Behance and is dedicated to showcasing design student projects. See www.studentshow.com/.
- Flickr (<https://www.flickr.com/>) is an online photo management and sharing website, and an application that may be of great use for teachers and students. Many of the users of the site have uploaded photos and images to Flickr and have provided Creative Commons licenses for their photos and images. In this document we have used images that have been provided by Flickr users.

You may search for photos, persons, or groups. In the persons category, several Hindu temples throughout the world have accounts and uploaded images of their temples and rituals (e.g., London Hindu Temple).

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/133174028@N05>). In the groups category, various users pool their images by posting images related to specific themes or common interest areas (e.g., Hindu gods and goddesses). <https://www.flickr.com/groups/64997469@N00/pool/with/35566510716/>.

- Another potentially useful photo management and sharing site is Photobucket.
- Paul Murray's blog Infographical includes a posting related to world religions. Paul is a Canadian educator whose website is dedicated to the use of Web 2.0 in the classroom. See <http://paul-murray.org/infografical/infographic-digest-world-religions-edition/>.
- Pinterest features many infographics and images on Hinduism and other faiths. Search using the terms, Hindu, Hinduism, Indian Religions, India, Mandir, *Sanatan Dharma*, and so on. See [https://www.pinterest.com/search/pins/?q=Hinduism&rs=typed&term_meta\[\]=Hinduism%7Ctyped](https://www.pinterest.com/search/pins/?q=Hinduism&rs=typed&term_meta[]=Hinduism%7Ctyped).
- The Infographics website has infographics developed by other users and allows registered users to create their own. See <https://infogram.com/hinduism-11092765> for an example.
- WordZz is a WordPress magazine theme. It features a variety of images and resources related to Indian culture and travel, as well as to Hinduism. See www.wordzz.com/.

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