

India - Year 3 & 4 Homework

Hello Otter Class

Welcome back after the summer break. In our **topic** this term we will be learning about **India**. Homework will be linked to India and should be produced to your **highest standard**. If you need to borrow any resources please ask! It is expected that you will complete at least **3-4 of the tasks below** before 1st November 2018. **Please complete one piece of homework every couple of weeks.**

Rangoli Patterns

Rangoli is a traditional Indian type of **artwork**. The patterns are created on the floors of living rooms and courtyards to welcome guests to the house.

We would like you to **design** and **make** your own **Rangoli pattern**. Think about the **colours** and **shapes** that are traditionally used. Are the patterns **symmetrical**?



Patterns could be created on paper or card using rice, pasta, dried lentils, peas or beans. You can bring your pattern in to school or take a photo of your final design to display in class.

Scrapheap Challenge

Design and **make** a **model**. This could be a traditional type of **transport** (e.g. a *tuc tuc*) or a famous **landmark** or **building** (e.g. the *Taj Mahal*).

Can you **write** out a **factsheet** about your model so they can be displayed in the classroom?



WANTED!

Design and **draw** a **wanted poster** of an **endangered Indian animal**.

Research and **write** some **facts** about the animal you have chosen.

- How would you **classify** the animal? (*Mammal, Bird, Reptile, Amphibian, Invertebrate, Fish*)
- What are the animal's **characteristics**?
- Where does the animal live (**habitat**)?
- What food does the animal **eat**?
- Where is the animal on the **food chain**?
- Why is it **endangered**?



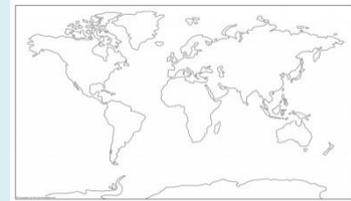
Off We Go!

Explore how you would **travel** to **India** from the UK.

Plan your flight on a **world map** - or create your own!

Think:

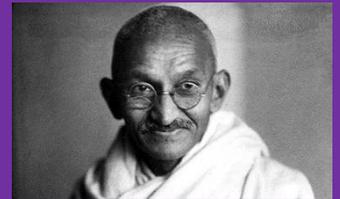
- Which airline would be the cheapest to fly with?
- How much would it cost?
- How long would it take to get there?
- Which is the shortest route?
- How many miles would you be travelling?
- Which countries would you fly over?
- Which seas would you fly across?



Biography

Choose a famous person and write their **biography**. It could be a **famous figure from India** or an **individual who travelled to India to explore!**

E.g. *Mahatma Gandhi, Ravi Shankar (Musician), Mother Teresa.*



Belief

Hinduism is one of the main religions of India. Many Hindus worship an image or statue of their favourite Deity (*God or Goddess*). This prayer and worship can take place at home or at the Mandir (Temple).

Research and **find out** about one of the **Hindu Deities** (*Gods and Goddesses*).

In a shoebox, **create a shrine** for one of the **Hindu Deities** (*Gods and Goddesses*).

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/>



Pack your suitcase

Design and make a suitcase using a cereal box and then place items inside that you would need to pack for a trip to India.

Think about:

- What the weather might be like
- Different area of India
- Religious beliefs
- Dress codes
- Currency
- Passports and visa
- Vaccinations



Each item in the suitcase needs to be accompanied by a written explanation of why you have packed it.

Tasty Treats

There are many **delicious** and **exciting** foods in India - some are **sweet** and some are **spicy**!

Find a recipe on the internet and create a tasty Indian dish.

Some Indian recipe ideas can be found here <http://www.bbc.co.uk/food/cuisines/indian>

Write out your recipe as a set of instructions - you could include a picture of the food you created.

Ask your parents to try and join us on our Indian cookery experience at school on Wednesday 24th October.



Special Day

A wedding day is a very special occasion. For a Hindu wedding, the bride (*lady*) and groom (*man*) will wear beautifully patterned Indian clothes and rich colours.

Find pictures of an Indian wedding. What do the bride and groom wear?



Can you design and draw the traditional Indian clothes that would be worn?

You could design and make some of the gold wedding jewellery too - earrings, necklaces or bangles.

Try to use traditional colours and patterns for your designs?

What other traditions take place when a Hindu couple get married?

Happy Diwali

Diwali is the Hindu festival of light. It is celebrated annually to honour Lakshmi - the Hindu God of wealth.

As well as playing music, dancing and eating delicious food, Hindus light up the skies with fireworks and decorate their houses with small lamps called diyas.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/religion/hinduism/diwali.shtml>



In Leicester city centre, Diwali celebrations take place on Belgrave Road from 28th October.

<http://www.visitleicester.info/things-to-see-and-do/festivals-celebrations/diwali/>

You could create artwork showing the Diwali firework celebrations, make a diya light or visit the Diwali celebrations in Leicester and create a scrapbook of your experience.

Suggested Homework due dates are: Wednesday 12th September / Wednesday 19th September / Wednesday 26th September /

Wednesday 3rd October / Wednesday 10th October / HALF TERM BREAK / Wednesday 24th October / Wednesday 31st October / Wednesday 1st November

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INDIAN COOKERY @ SCHOOL - Wednesday 24th October 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Following on from our Brazilian and Egyptian adult / pupil cooking afternoons last year can I highlight to parents /carers that they are welcome to join us cooking different Indian dishes at school.

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Good luck and enjoy learning about Indian culture.

Mrs Foster and Mr Evans