

Week 2: Hinduism
June 17, 2020

Henna Craft:

Craft Items: Construction Paper, Markers/Colored Pencils/Crayons

Instruction: Trace your hand on a sheet of construction paper. Then draw your own henna design using symbols that you think represent Christ.

Lesson: Henna is an important part of the Hindu worldview, and the symbols they draw have great meaning to their people. You can use symbols to represent Christ in the same way!



Traditional Henna Example

Ping Pong Toss Game:

Game Items: 4 Plastic Cups, 1 Ping Pong Ball

Instructions: This activity demonstrates the multiple gods in Hinduism and what it is like to pray to multiple gods with bad consequences for making mistakes. Set out 4 cups about 10 feet away to try to toss a ping pong ball into. The children will have one chance to get the ball into the right cup to have their prayers answered by that specific god. The cup on the right will be the cup they are aiming for, but do not tell them which cup they are supposed to throw the ball into. If they do not get the ball into that cup, then they have failed and angered the gods. Parents explain to your children by saying *“In Hinduism you only get one chance to pray to the right god. If you pray to the wrong god, or do not pray, then they believe that the gods become angry and that they do not get another chance.”*

Now take one cup and set it one foot in front of the child. Give them the ping pong ball and let them throw it. If they fail, let them try again until they succeed. Parents explain this to the children by saying *“As Christians, we believe that there is only one God, and that He is always close to us. He forgives us when we make mistakes and allows us the opportunity to keep trying!”*