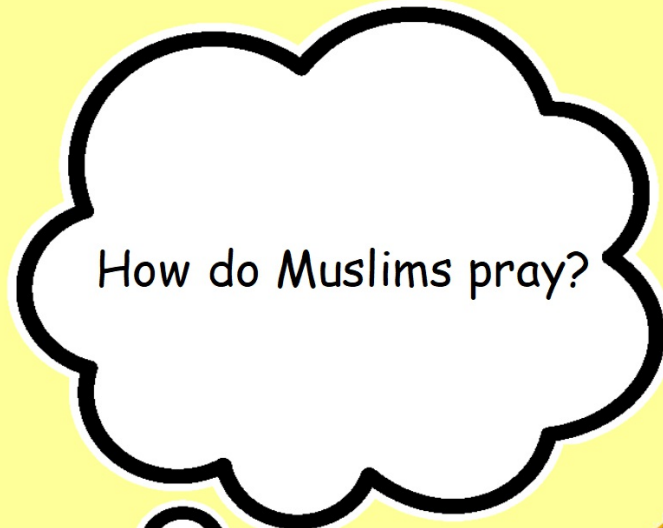


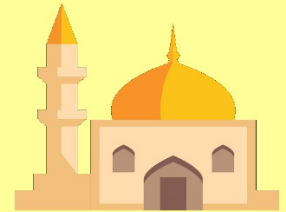
Prayer

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Thinking Time




How do Muslims pray?

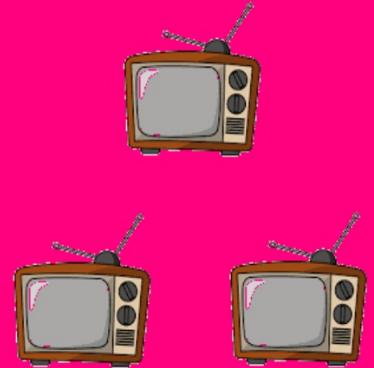


On your large sheet of paper, note down as much as you can about Islamic prayer.

Islam	Hindu



How do
Hindus pray?



Hindu Prayer is called Puja

Hindus worship the statues or images of god/s.
These are called Murtis
They are all Brahman.



Most Hindu houses have a shrine where Puja can take place. A Hindu place of worship is called Mandir and you can pray there at anytime. It is a personal act.





Puja - Hindu prayer

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Puja happens at least once a day and is part of a routine. It can be done at any time.

Worshippers take off their shoes before praying.

Hindus can pray to any of their gods.



They offer fruit, water or flowers to their god.

Puja - Hindu prayer

Objects Used in Puja

Each shrine contains a puja tray, which holds several important items:

Bell – The worshippers ring the bell to let God know that they are ready to worship.



Incense and incense holder – The incense burns and gives off a pleasant aroma, which purifies the air around the shrine.



Kum kum powder – When mixed with water, this powder makes a red paste. Hindu worshippers use it to mark their foreheads as a sign of respect to the gods. They also mark the foreheads of the gods on their shrine.



Diya lamp – The lamp is lit as a symbol of God's presence.



Water containers and spoon – To show respect, water is offered to the gods on a spoon.



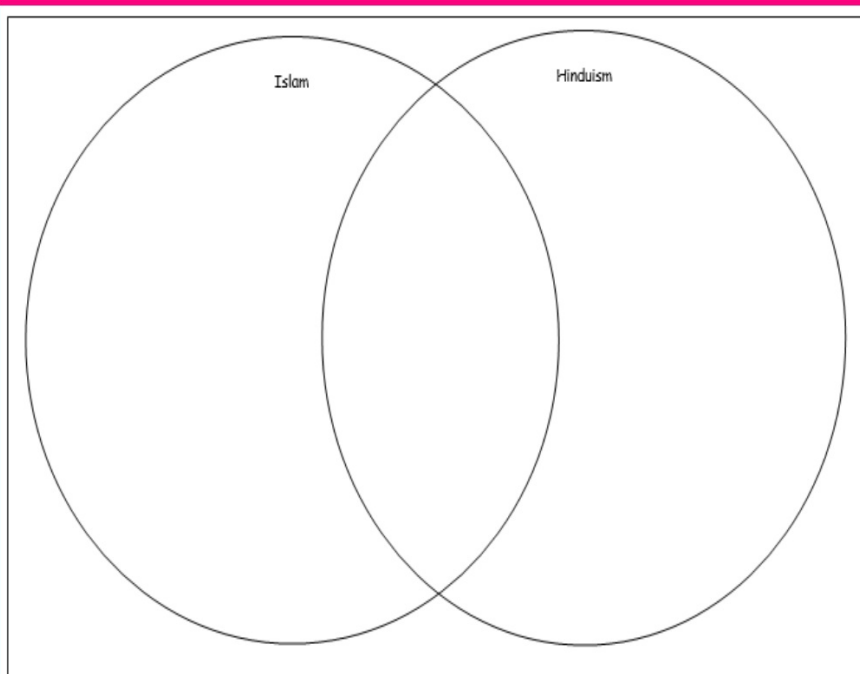
Puja - Hindu prayer

Prayers often start with the sacred word Aum

They repeat prayers (mantras) and the names of their favourite deities. You can choose who you pray to and what to say.

Blessed food is eaten once prayer has finished.

L.O: To compare Muslim and Hindu prayer



Challenge

What do you think is the biggest difference between the religions' prayers?

I think that...because

Can you add more statement

