

Lesson Review Sheet

(Review for Test 5 - Lessons 6 & 7)

The Amrit contains the immortal life needed by the gods and demons. The Sanskrit word for demon is Asurs. Place where Vishnu and Lakshmi lives is called Vaikunt. Rishi Brigu kicked Vishnu in the chest which made Lakshmi very upset. Vishnu lost all his glory, wealth and riches when Laxmi left him after Rishi Brigu kicked Vishnu on his chest. Another name of Vishnu is Narayana.

Adishesh is where Vishnu & Lakshmi reclines, it is a Snake bed which is floating in the cosmic ocean. Vishnu's vehicle which he uses when he travels is called Garuda, it is a Man-Eagle bird.

Vishnu wears a gold earring which has a shape of a Crocodile.

Vishnu holds a Chakra or Discus in his hand, which symbolizes Dharma. Vishnu has a blue color complexion which symbolizes Infinity. Vishnu wears a grand, big diamond called Kaustube. He got this diamond from the Ocean. Kuber, Ravan's half-brother from whom Vishnu borrowed money with very high interest rate, wants the money back with this Kalpa. Tirupati temple in South India where people donate money to help Vishnu pay his debt.

Why is Vishnu known as Ghar Jamai (man lives with his in-laws)? Because he lives on the water and the water is his father-in-law's kingdom. Brahma is connected to Vishnu to his naval (belly-button) to show their oneness.

When Vishnu is depicted with two hands, he is shown having these two objects discus and shell. The first four avatars of Vishnu happened during the Golden age.

To distract the demons when it came to share the amrit, Vishnu took the form of a woman named Mohini. Vishnu's other name is Narayana, which means he who dwells in water. The sixteen kalas comprises the following: 5 Senses, Intellect, 5 Elements and the 5 Breathing techniques.

During the Dwapar Yuga Vishnu came as Krishna.

Vishnu holds a conch or shell in his hand, which represents the origin. The garland around Vishnu's neck symbolizes the victory of evil.

There are ten accepted avatars of Vishnu but some mentions as many as 22 or even 39.

Goddess Saraswati is known for giving wealth and riches. Lakshmi's riches and wealth are most needed by Vishnu to maintain the universe. Lakshmi came into existence when churning the ocean. Besides wealth & beauty, Lakshmi is also the goddess of Fertility.

Even though Vishnu and Laxmi have their vehicle, Lakshmi has a special one, known as the Owl. Vaisyas usually have ma Lakshmi's photo in their shop. The word Diwali (Dipavali) means Festival of Lights. These light are used to attract Laxmi to come to the homes and pour out her blessings.

Before anyone can worship Lakshmi, they must first worship Ganesh because he is the remover of obstacles. During the festival of Diwali, Lakshmi and Ganesh are the paramount deities of the day. Lights placed in your house will attract Laxmi during the Diwali night.

The lotus bud in Lakshmi's hand represents fertility. Activity is symbolized in Lakshmi's portray by the red saree. Lakshmi's four hands symbolizes the following: righteousness, wealth, desires, and liberation.

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