**[](http://www.sewaday.org/)** **LKS2 Why does a Hindu want to collect good karma?**

Sacred thread ceremony

Like climbing a ladder. Good choices have good results.

Ghandi - an inspiration to many Hindus.

Like buying and putting on new clothes – karma affects which clothes.

**What should we be able to do?**

*Explain how snakes and ladders links with the idea of karma. That good choices have good results.*

*Begin to describe what Hindus might learn from one of their stories about living the right way.*

*Know that Hindus are encouraged to perform acts of selfless kindness.*

*Talk about how karma influenced Ghandi.*

*Know that even Hindu children must learn to take responsibility for gathering good karma*.

 

**What should we know?**

**Karma means actions. Whatever we do produces a result.**

Hindus believe

* We all have a soul.
* The soul is reincarnated when we die, it lives on and moves into a new body.
* We collect good and bad karma through our actions which always have consequences.
* Hindus are encouraged in their holy books to perform acts of selfless kindness.

**What words should we understand and be able to use?**

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| **Hinduism** | The name of a religion which started in India. | **Samsara** | The cycle of birth and death. |
| **Hindu** | Followers of Hinduism are called Hindus. | **Reincarnation** | After death the soul lives on and moves into a new body. Every human being has had many past lives. |
| **Karma** | Actions. What we do produces a result. | **Soul** | The spiritual part of a human being. The ‘real self.’ |
| **Moksha** | Breaking free from the cycle of reincarnation and the soul being one with God. |  |  |