



HOME-SCHOOL INSPIRATION



If you can't go out, why not travel the world from home?

This week we travel to India.

Rangoli



Rangoli patterns are created during times of Hindu celebration, such as Diwali and Holi, they symbolise strength and generosity. Traditionally rangoli patterns are made on the floor using coloured sand, flour, chalk and flower petals. You could make your rangoli patterns literally anywhere with anything! If you don't have coffee filters for the link below, you can use circles of paper.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A-qPk5ziWgs>
<https://theeducatorsspinonit.com/rangoli-craft-idea-for-kids/>

The Taj Mahal



One of the most famous buildings in the world is a mausoleum, and contains the remains of Emperor Shah Jahan and one of his wives. The Taj Mahal is ornate and full of optical illusions. Use it as inspiration for a painting, drawing, sketch or model. It is a great art project to learn how to draw perspective. One of the links below shows how to use tissue paper to colour your work, you could use normal tissue paper and paint to make a collage if you don't have coloured tissue paper at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TLQWw3iRkhs>
<https://thecraftyclassroom.com/crafts/india-crafts-for-kids/taj-mahal-art->

नमस्ते (namaste)

The official languages of India are Hindi and English. Hindi is written using Devanagari script.

- There are 22 regional languages spoken in India, which include Gujarati, Tamil and Bengali. Find out which languages are spoken in each state of India.
- Use the link below and navigate the website to hear the similarities and differences between the languages spoken in India.

<https://www.newburyparkschool.net/lotm/hindi/player.html>

Chess

Historians believe that the game of Chess was developed from the Indian game 'chaturanga' sometime before the 7th century. Why not learn how to play, you could even make your own chess set!



Find out more...

- Can you find India on a map or globe?
- India was once part of the British Empire, find out what it was like to live in India under British rule and what happened after.
- Which animals can be found in India?

There are no limits to what you can discover!



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