

# Title: The concept of God

## LO for Lesson 1:

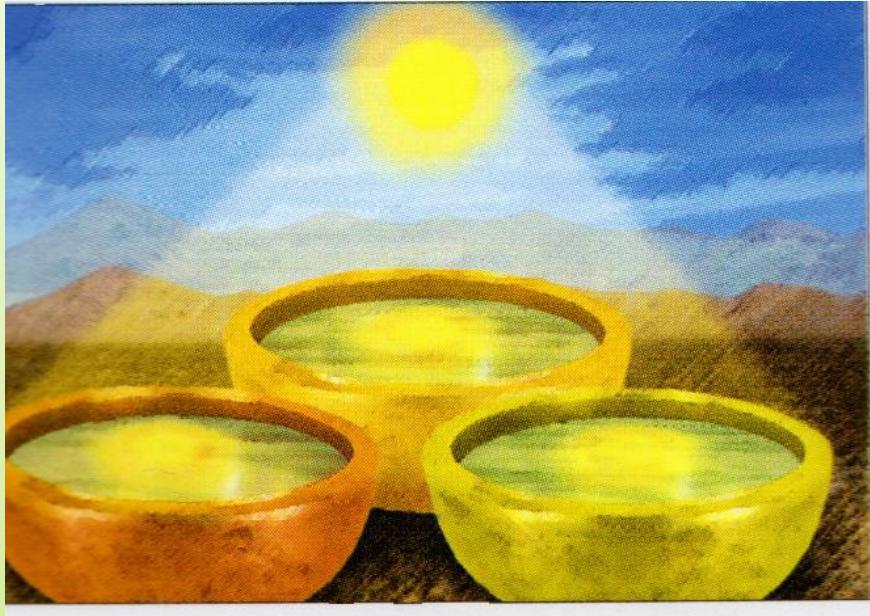
- (a) To reflect on the question ‘where is God?’
- (b) To understand the analogy of the sun

## Starter:

From your experience, ‘where is God present?’

If you don’t consider yourself a believer, think of how other people might respond to the question

# The analogy of the sun



Some Hindus use the picture of the sun (left) to explain God in three places:

1. Everywhere
2. Inside the heart
3. Outside, beyond the world

Can you guess how the sun here appears in three place? in three places at the same time

Exercise: how does this analogy help us to understand God in three places?

## LO for Lesson 2:

To understand how some Hindus (and others) see God in nature, with reference to the Bhagavad-Gita

### ► Starter:

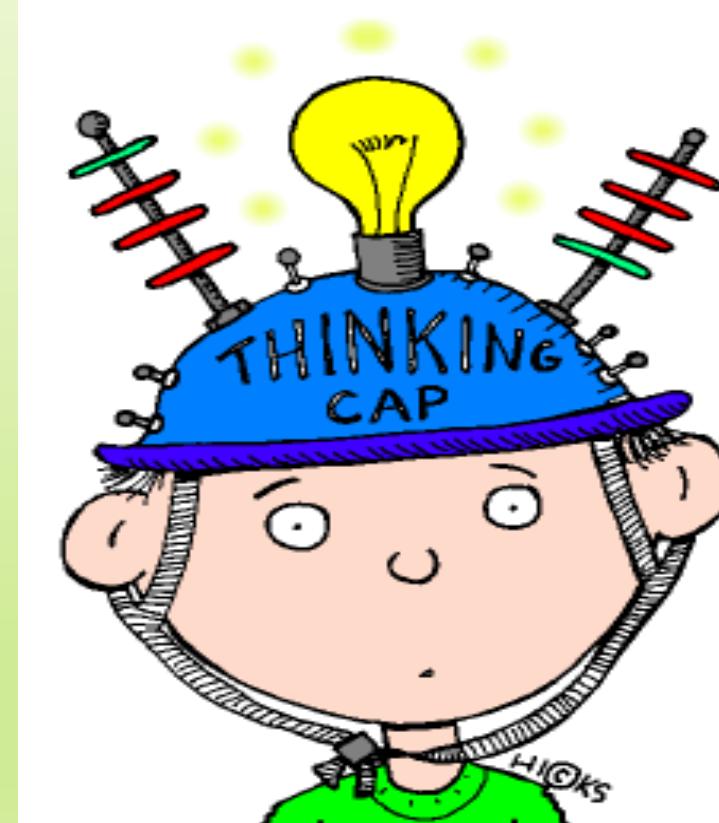
- What do you like most in nature?
- What feeling do you have while you appreciate the part of nature you like most?



Many Hindus see God in nature

The Bhagavad-Gita (BG) makes some references to this idea when Krishna reveals his presence in nature

- ▶ Try to remember as many of the following features of nature/ characters as you can.
- ▶ DO NOT MAKE NOTES IN YOUR BOOK.
- ▶ The students who remember eight or more items will receive tokens



►.....of lights, I  
am the  
radiant sun....

BG 10.21



►.....and among  
the stars I am  
the moon

BG 10.21



►....Of bodies  
of water, I am  
the ocean.

BG 10.24



►... among the animals, I am the lion...

BG. 10.30



►....of fishes, I  
am the shark

BG 10.31



►... I am the  
taste in water

BG 7.8



►....of purifiers,  
I am the wind

BG 10.32



►...Of all the  
trees, I am  
the banyan  
tree

BG 10.26



►....among  
vanquishers, I  
am time

BG 10.30



►....of secret  
things, I am  
silence...

BG 10.38



► Among birds, I  
am Garuda  
(the king of  
the eagles)

BG 10.30



► Of immovable  
things, I am  
the Himalayas

BG 10.35



► Of creators,  
I am Brahma

BG 10.33



►Of the Adityas  
(maintainers),  
I am Vishnu

BG. 10.21



►Of all  
destroyers,  
I am Shiva

BG 10.23



# Extension Questions

1. Think of one feature of nature (as you choose) and answer the following question  
‘why do some people think that this feature of nature (e.g. the sun) represents God?’
2. What does the word ‘pantheism’ mean?

# LO: To understand what Hindus mean when they say that ‘God is within the heart’

- ▶ Starter: Meditation



# Hanuman's heart:

