Knowledge Check

Task One: Complete the test.

1. What does worship mean?

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2. Where might a Muslim go to pray?

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3. Name one Christian cathedral.

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4. Give two different ways in which Muslims might worship.

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5. What percentage of their annual income are Muslims required to give to charity?

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6. Which charity is sometimes used to give zakat?

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7. What are Muslims expect to abstain from during the month of Ramadan?

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8/9. Who are exempt from fasting?

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10. What is salat?

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Lesson Four: Hindu Worship

What we will find out:

- How do Hindus worship?
- Should religious houses be sold to feed the starving?

Task One: According to Hindu texts, one of the Human Goals in Hinduism is worldly success. If this is important in Hinduism, how else may a Hindu choose to worship, other than prayer?

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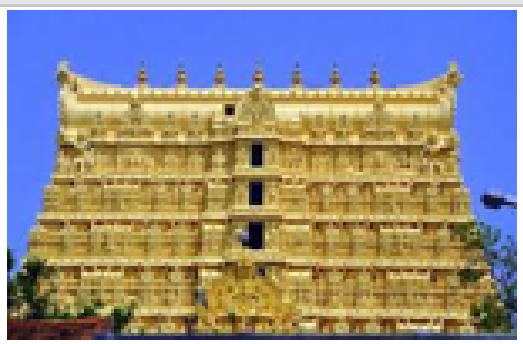
Task Two: Read through the information and make notes about the Kerala Padmanabhaswamy Temple.

The Kerala Padmanabhaswamy temple is a Hindu shrine to Lord Vishnu, the preserver. It is a very popular temple which Hindu pilgrims visit regularly to pray to Lord Vishnu. It is so popular that non-Hindus are not allowed to enter.

In 2011 huge amounts of treasure were found within vaults in the temple. When this was counted and added up, the treasure was worth over £12 Billion. The family who are in charge of looking after the temple have said that the money is not theirs, and that it belongs to the temple. This has sparked a public debate, with many people believing that the treasure should be sold and the profits used for the good of the public.

In Kerala in 2019 there was a case where a mother requested that four of her children be taken in to care, as she was unable to provide food for them and they were so hungry they began eating mud.



Task Three: "Religious buildings should be sold to feed the starving."
Evaluate the statement using the sentence starters to help you.

It can be argued that religious buildings should be sold to feed the starving.
For example…
A Christian/Muslim/Hindu would agree with this because…

However, some people would disagree that religious buildings should be sold to feed the starving.
For example…
This means that religious buildings do not need to be sold because…

Overall, I believe that religious buildings should/should not be sold to feed the starving.
This is because…