Hinduism

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1. How many gods do Hindus believe in?

- ○ a.) One
- ○ b.) Millions
- ○ c.) Thousands

2. Where is the holy city mentioned in the transcript?

- ○ a.) Varanasi
- ○ b.) Delhi
- ○ c.) Mumbai

3. Who is the historian mentioned in the transcript?

- ○ a.) Benda Paranjape
- ○ b.) Ganesha
- ○ c.) A family deity

4. What is the name of the elephant-headed god?

- ○ a.) Shiva
- ○ b.) Ganesha
- ○ c.) Vishnu

5. What does Ganesha do?

- ○ a.) Brings wealth
- ○ b.) Removes obstacles
- ○ c.) Heals diseases

6. What is the goddess mentioned in the transcript associated with?

- ○ a.) Wealth
- ○ b.) Disease
- ○ c.) Knowledge

7. What happens when someone is diseased according to the transcript?

- ○ a.) They pray for wealth
- ○ b.) They invoke the goddess
- ○ c.) They visit a doctor

8. What does the goddess send to help the body?

- ○ a.) A warm breeze
- ○ b.) A cool breeze
- ○ c.) A healing light

9. How is a family deity passed on?

- ○ a.) Through friends
- ○ b.) From one generation to the next
- ○ c.) By chance

10. What do people do in times of distress?

- ○ a.) Ignore the gods
- ○ b.) Ask a god or goddess for help
- ○ c.) Change their family deity

Transcript

To Hindus, there's not one God; there are millions.

Busy little shrines in the holy city of Varanasi. I'm meeting historian Benda Paranjape to find out how Hindus see their gods.

At every corner of the lane, you see a shrine. No corner can leave without having a god there.

So, like we have got this small little shrine here, and it has got that elephant-headed God, Ganesha.

Ganesha, yeah, it's a god that removes obstacles.

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Yeah, Hindu deities come in many forms. Some are male, some female, some are part human, part animal. Each one has its specific powers.

So, she's a goddess of disease.

So, disease, yeah. So when you're diseased, your body gets inflamed. Then you invoke her, and she sends the cool breeze, and the body gets cool.

All right, here's a question for you. You've got a choice of how many millions of gods do you choose?

Usually, it's the family. Each family has got one family deity, and that is passed on to the next generation.

Or sometimes, in times of distress, one goes to a god and says, 'Please take me out of this difficult time, and forever I'll worship you as my personal god or goddess.'