

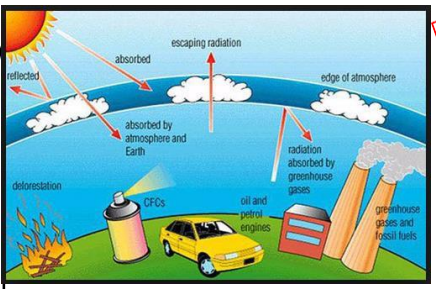
Year 8 Term 4: **Creation:** *What lessons can we learn from Hinduism about our environment?*



Philosophy = this is about *'thinking'*. It is about finding out how and whether things make sense. It deals with questions of morality & ethics. It takes seriously the nature of reality, knowledge & existence.

Key vocabulary

- Stewardship** = the human responsibility to care for and work the natural world, using God given intelligence
- Dominion** = to have authority or power over something
- Duty** = an obligation or responsibility
- Community** = a group of people living in the same place or sharing certain attitudes and beliefs
- Environment** = our surroundings and habitat within which we live
- Pollution** = the presence of a substance which has harmful or poisonous effects
- Dharma** = the duties a Hindu should follow in their life
- Atman** = immortal soul; existence
- Moksha** = the release from the cycle of reincarnation and the end of all suffering
- Karma** = all actions have consequences
- Reincarnation** = existence is a cycle of birth, death & rebirth

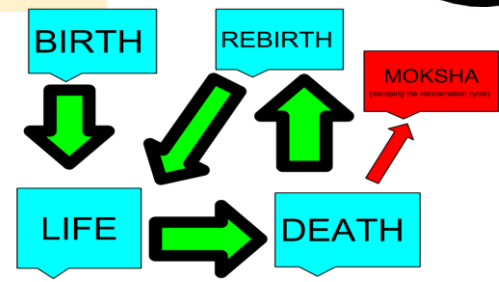
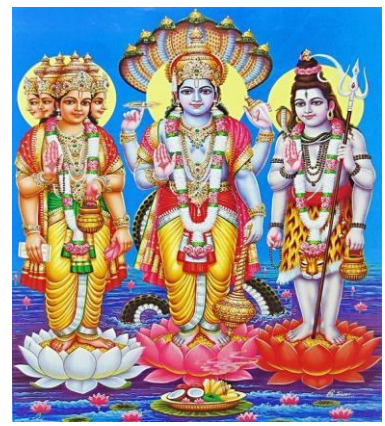


- Global warming
- Deforestation
- Pollution
- Littering
- Poaching

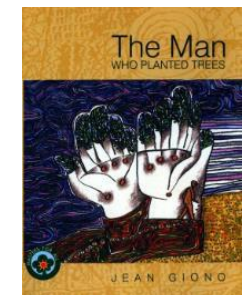
"Ahimsa is impossible to achieve for Hindus living in the modern world"

VIOLENCE Ahimsa = principle of non-violence

Creates > Sustains > Destroys
Brahma > Vishnu > Shiva




"The earth is our mother and we are all her children"



"When I reflect that one man, armed with only his own physical and moral resources, was able to cause this land of Canaan to spring from this wasteland, I am convinced that in spite of everything, humanity is admirable"

- 'In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth'
~ Genesis 1:1
- 'In the image of God he created them'
~ Genesis 1:27
- 'Be fruitful and multiply'
~ Genesis 1:28
- 'Love your neighbour'
~ Mark 12:31
- 'Care for God's creation is central to our Christian faith'
~ Bishop Viv