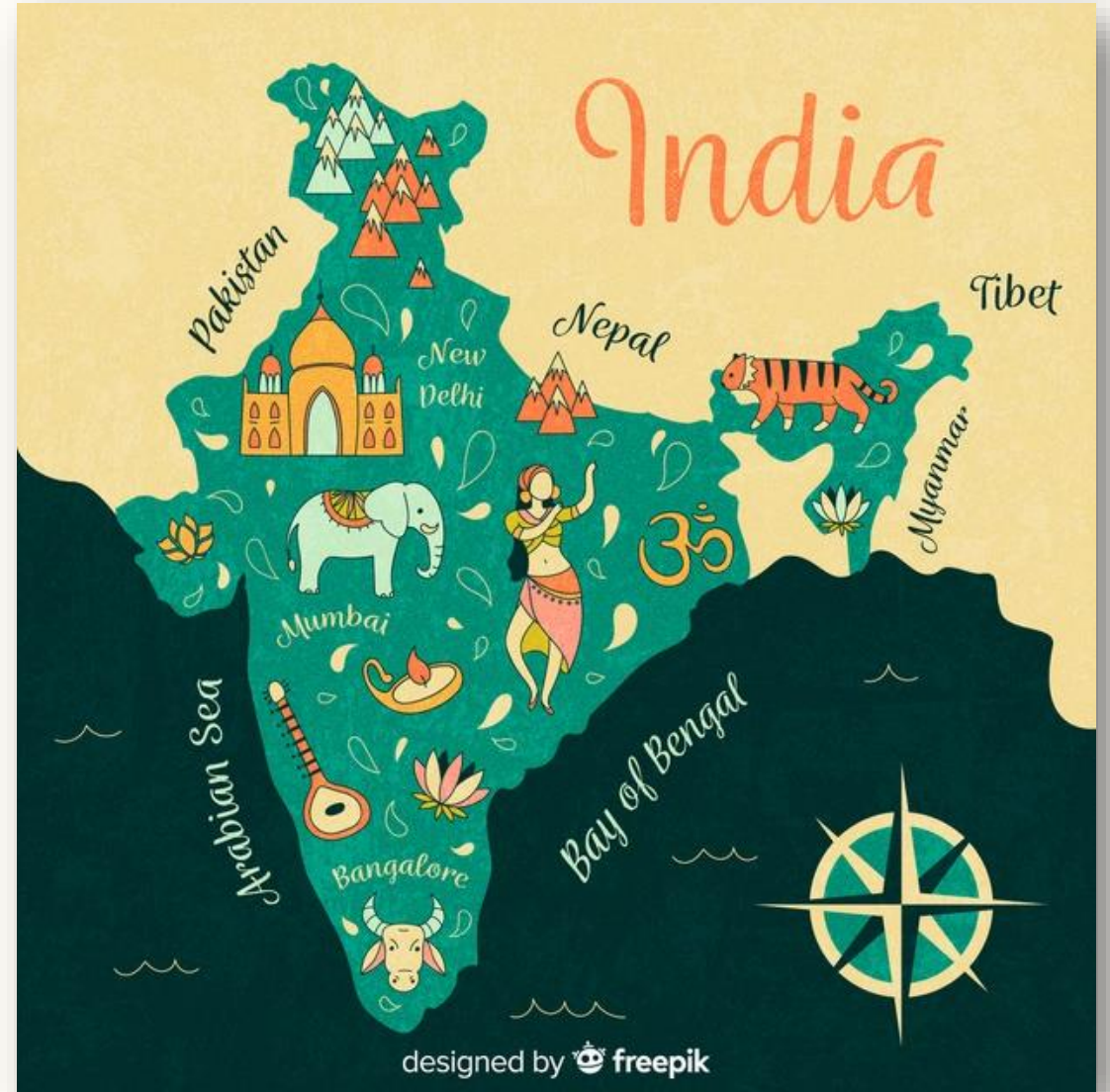


# My country India!



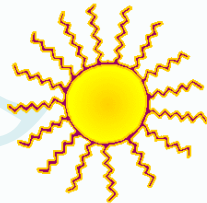
# My country India!

- ❖ India is the largest democracy in the world!
- ❖ It is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest country with a population of 1.3 billion people!
- ❖ It has 28 states and 9 union territories. Each area has a different language and culture!



Currency: **Rupee**

## How is the climate?



**Summers** are **VERY HOT!**  
It starts from April till  
June.

**Monsoon** season is from  
July till September. It rains  
very heavily!



National flower:  
**Lotus**



National animal:  
**Tiger**



National bird:  
**Peacock**



National fruit:  
**Mango**

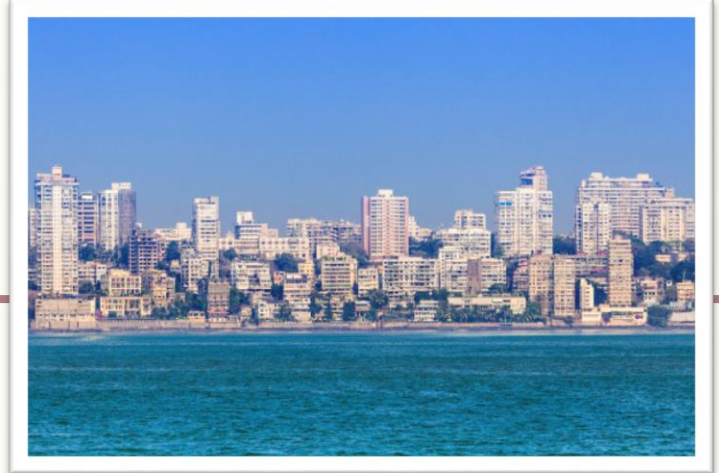
# Important cities in India



**New Delhi**, capital of India



**Chennai**, also known as the Gateway to South India



**Mumbai** is India's entertainment capital and home to Bollywood, a major film-making industry



**Kolkata**, also called the 'City of Joy', is a busy city where people love art and literature



# How are the Indian schools?

Apart from studies, there are extra-curricular activities!



It starts with a **morning assembly**  
They sing a **prayer**  
They take the **national pledge**  
A **news reader** reads out the news  
A quiz on **current affairs**  
They sing the **national anthem**



The students have uniforms!



## Timings?

After the morning assembly, the classes begin at **8:30am**. At **1:30pm**, the school is over and the students go home!

Music/Dance



Sports



Creative writing



Debate



# How many languages are there in India?

India is a **diverse** and **multilingual** country!

- More than **120 languages** spoken in India!
- **22 languages** are major ones!



## No national language!

India has three official languages

- Hindi
- English
- The regional language



# Indian gestures



How do Indians greet each other? They join their hands and say Namaste!



This hand gesture is to say that everything is perfect/good!



Even though knives and fork are used in India, people like eating with their fingers of the right hand. It is seen as good manners and you can feel and appreciate the food's texture.



Indians always take off their shoes while entering a home or a religious place!



Touching the feet of elders: To ask for their blessings and a symbol of respect

# Food in India

- Indian food is colourful and contains a lot of spices
- Different areas of India have different meals, depending on the culture and religion.



**Dal** is the Indian word for lentils



**Ginger** is a root used in curries and is added to tea.



**Turmeric** is a yellow spice used in **curries** and is thought to be lucky.



**Saffron** is the world's most expensive spice. It is deep yellow and is a symbol of hospitality



**Red chillies** are very hot! They are used in curries. Indian people love hot and spicy food!



**Ghee** is a form of butter used in cooking.

# Traditional Indian outfits



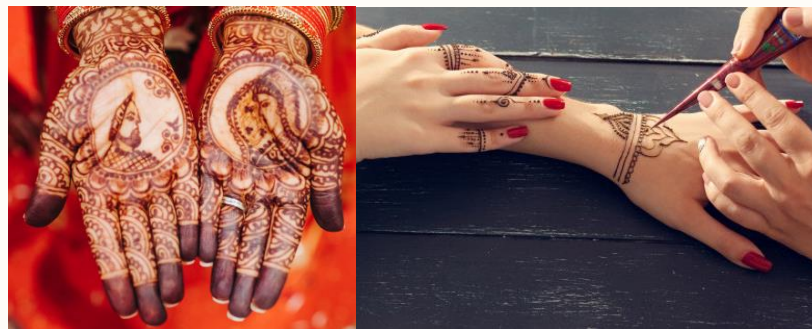
A **saree** is the most common type of clothing for women.

Though men mostly wear shirt and pants, on special days they wear a **kurta pajama**.



Salwar suit

We love colourful clothes!



During wedding or religious festivals, girls of all ages love to get **Mehandi** done. Mehendi is a paste made from henna plant, also used to colour hair!



The men of Sikh community (from north India) do not cut their hair and wear **turbans**.





# Festivals of India



**Holi** is the festival of colours. On this day, people celebrate the arrival of spring. They play with colours with their families and friends



**Dushera** is celebrated to witness the triumph of good over evil



**Diwali** is the Festival of lights. People decorate their homes with clay lamps and colourful little light bulbs



On **Raksha Bandhan**, sisters tie a band called 'rakhi' on their brother's wrist wishing his well being. The brother in return gives her gifts and vows to protect her.



**Christmas** is another festival that people love to celebrate. People from all religions celebrate this with their friends

# Some important Indian personalities



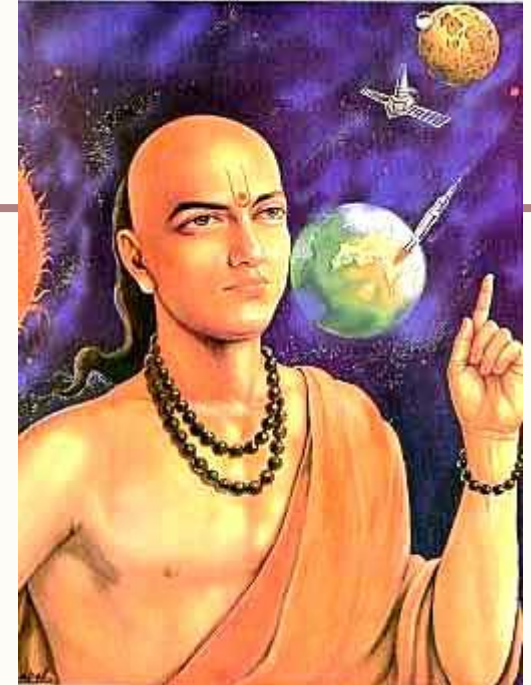
Narendra Modi,  
Prime minister of India



Amitabh Bachchan, actor



M.S Dhoni, cricket player



Aryabhata, was the  
man who invented zero  
"0"!

# Popular monuments



**Taj Mahal** in Agra is a mausoleum made of marble. It is one of the seven wonders of the world



**Hawa Mahal** in Jaipur is the palace of the winds



Lotus temple, Delhi



The **India Gate** is a war memorial to 82000 soldiers of the undivided **Indian**

# Sports and Leisure

Cricket is the most popular among Indians. You can see young kids playing cricket in almost every playground!

Virat Kohli



P.V. Sindhu



Field Hockey



Kabaddi



Field Hockey is the national game of India!

Cricket



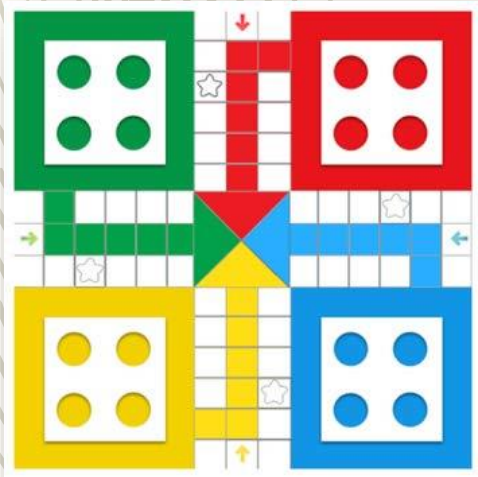
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Badminton



# Some other leisure activities



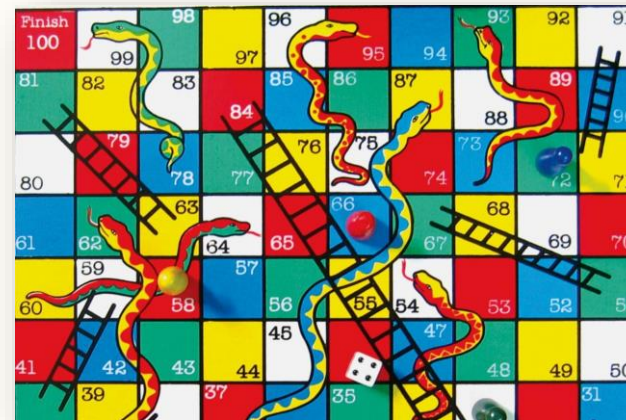
Ludo



Kite flying



Chess



Snakes and Ladders

# THANK YOU!

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