

Diwali: the lamp and its meaning

Explain a Diwali practice using evidence from a named source.



Think, point, speak, draw or write.
You may pass or ask for a quiet start.

Read the source

CLASSROOM FACT CARD — paraphrased from Hindu American Foundation. One introductory Hindu perspective; celebrations and stories vary.

- 01 D1. Diwali is a Hindu festival commonly associated with light.
- 02 D2. Many celebrants use small clay oil lamps called diyas.
- 03 D3. The source connects the lamps with knowledge overcoming ignorance and good overcoming evil.
- 04 D4. A diagram of a diya shows an object. The written source helps us explain its meaning.

Watch the reasoning

- 01 Practice: lighting diyas (D2).
- 02 Meaning: the source connects the light with knowledge and good (D3).

Point to the detail that supports the answer.

Make a decision

Which answer explains rather than only names the object?

- 01 A. A diya is small.
- 02 B. The light represents knowledge overcoming ignorance in this source.
- 03 C. Every family celebrates identically.

Choose first. Give a reason before checking.

Check the deciding clue

B It gives a source-based meaning; A only describes and C overgeneralises.

Keep your first choice. If you change it, say what changed your mind.

Your independent evidence

- 01 Label practice / object / meaning using D1–D3.
- 02 Write two sentences linking a diya to its meaning. Include a line number.
- 03 Repair: “A picture proves what every Hindu believes.” Use D4.

Make one useful improvement

**Check your answer against the source.
Show the detail you used.**

Add evidence, improve a link, or mark a claim you cannot support.

Keep the first attempt visible. Record one change or one question.

What will you take forward?

Give one accurate practice-and-meaning link with a line number.

One thing I can explain: _____

One next step or question: _____