

GOD EXPLAINER - GRADES K-5

Krishna: The Mischievous Hero

The story in a nutshell

Krishna (KRISH-nah) might be the most fun god in all of mythology. As a baby, he was famous for stealing butter. As a boy, he defeated demons and danced with his friends. As a grown-up, he became a wise guide in the great Mahabharata war. Kids in India have loved Krishna's stories for thousands of years. He is shown with blue skin, a peacock feather in his crown, and a flute in his hands.

"Being clever and kind is stronger than being big and scary."

Stories to explore

1. Baby Krishna and the butter thief
2. Krishna lifts a mountain to save his village
3. Krishna's pranks with Radha and his friends
4. Krishna defeats the wicked King Kansa
5. Krishna guides Arjuna in the great war

Talk about it

1. Krishna used tricks instead of force to beat demons. Is that fair? Why or why not?
2. How do Krishna's friends show they trust him?
3. What lesson does Krishna's story teach? Tell it in your own words.

Comic strip it!

Pick your favorite Krishna story and draw it as a 4-panel comic strip. Add speech bubbles to show what each character says.

Teacher tip: pairs with lessons on sequencing, character traits, and fables.



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Baby Krishna Coloring Page

Coloring page: baby Krishna and his butter pot!

