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**Religious texts like the Vedas**

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**Sudras- workers/laborers**

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**One’s role in life and society based on birth and by Caste**

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**Tells the complicated story of a war between two kingdoms… One should be a bad worrier over another role in society**

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**Release from the merry-go-round of life🡪 United forever with Brahman ~~≠~~ reincarnation**

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**The source of suffering is desire**

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**There is no Caste System… One could achieve Nirvana in present life time**

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**Ashoka was appalled by his army destroying the kingdom of Kalinga**

1. What do most Hindus think about Buddha?

**Hindus started to worship the Buddha as a carnation of Brahman 🡪 enveloping the religion**