

1077 RAVIRAVI SANGAM SCHOOL

YEAR 4

SOCIAL STUDIES

WORKSHEET 2

<i>STRAND</i>	SOCIAL ORGANISATION AND PROCESSES
<i>SUB-STRAND</i>	Cultural Identity, Diversity and Cohesion
<i>CONTENT LEARNING OUTCOME</i>	Gather information about special cultural and religious events celebrated in their communities.

LESSON NOTES

Hair Cutting Ceremony in the Hindu Culture

- Hair cutting ceremony in the Hindu culture is called the **Mundan**.
- It is believed to give long life and a good future to the child.
- Mundan is also thought to be essential to protect the child from the evil eye.
- Mundan is performed during the first year, or in the third year of a child's life.
- In some groups, Mundan is done for a baby boy only.
- However, depending on the beliefs of the family, girls too may have a mundane ceremony.
- The hair is usually cut by a senior member of the child's family.

ACTIVITIES

Answer the following questions.

1. What is the hair cutting ceremony in the Hindu Community called?
2. Why do Hindus cut their new born baby's hair?
3. At what age is the child's hair cut?
4. Who takes part in the hair cutting ceremony?
5. What happens after the hair cut?

