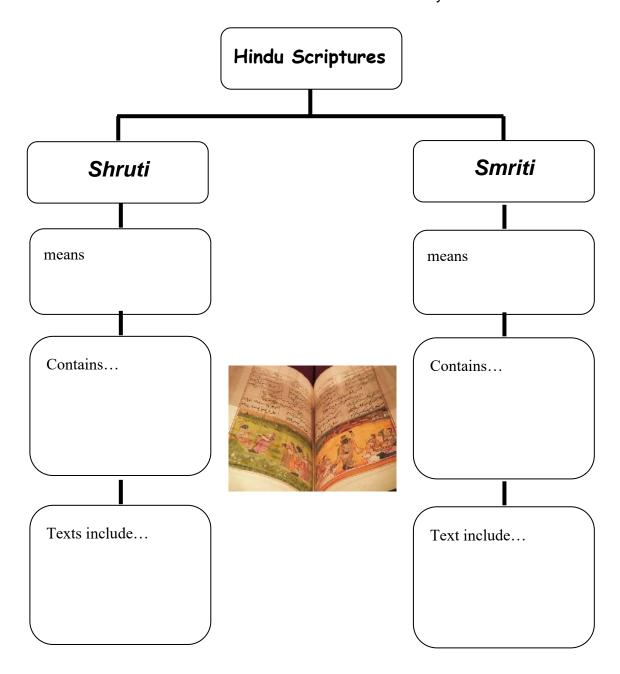


Sacred Texts of Hinduism

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There is a great deal of variety in Indian sacred literature. It can, however, be divided into two main sources which reveal the Hindu story.







The Vedas

The oldest literature of Indian thought is the Veda, a collection of religious and philosophical poems and hymns composed over several generations beginning as early as 3000 BC.

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The Upanishads, also known as Vedanta, are considered as ends of Vedas, and are spiritual contemplation of the same.

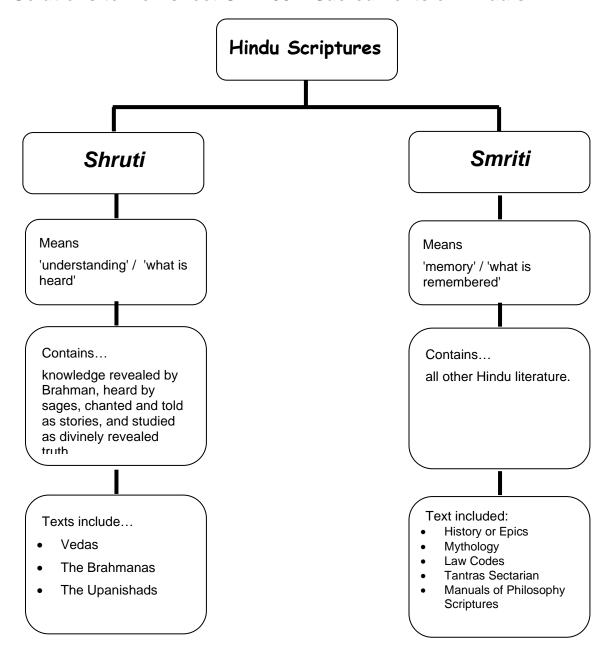
he term is derived from	
<i>Upa</i> – meaning	
<i>ni</i> – meaning	
s(h)ad – meaning	
Therefore students	
Upanishads are a collection of:	
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• Wise	
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Traditionally, how many Upanishads are believed to have been written?



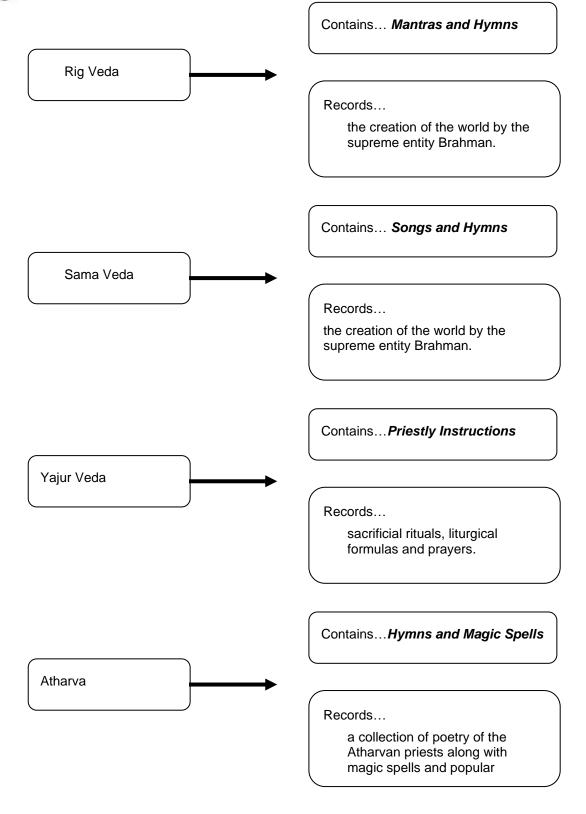


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Upa – near

ni – down

s(h)ad – to sit

Students sit near their teacher to learn from the secret doctrine.

Upanishads are a collection of:

- views
- philosophies
- · wise words
- sayings
- discussions of gurus.

Traditionally, there are believed to be 108 Upanishads written.

