

Light And Legend Answer Key

Sample Responses

1. Rama's return shows that goodness, honesty, and faithfulness can overcome selfishness and evil.
2. The lamps represent inner light-hope, knowledge, and goodness that guide people toward what is right.
3. The story reflects Diwali's theme by showing that truth and virtue will always triumph, bringing light to overcome ignorance and darkness.

Teacher's Guide

- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - Offer guiding prompts such as "The lamps symbolize..." or "Light represents..." for students who need scaffolding.
 - For advanced students, ask them to draw parallels between *The Ramayana* and modern stories where good overcomes evil.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Begin the lesson with a brief discussion about what "light" can symbolize in different cultures or religions.
 - Read the excerpt dramatically with dimmed lights, then turn on lamps or candles to represent the return of light.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Assign a short paragraph comparing the moral of *The Ramayana* to another myth or legend (e.g., *Prometheus*, *The Lion King*).
 - Encourage students to write their own mini-myth showing how light (truth, goodness, knowledge) wins against darkness in modern life.