

Brahman

The Hindu God and life force that is present in everything. The different Hindu Gods are all expressions of Brahman.



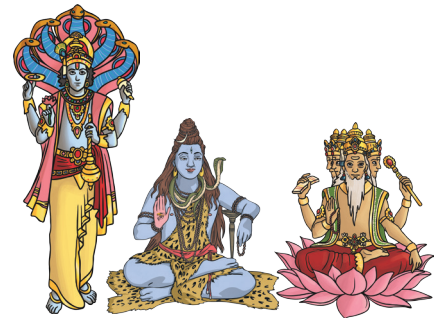
Brahma

One of the Trimurti, Brahma the creator, is a Hindu god who created the world and all living things on it.



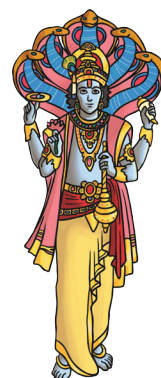
Trimurti

The Trimurti, three forms, are the three aspects of Brahman: Vishnu, Shiva and Brahma. Often depicted in statues as one person with three faces.



Vishnu

The Hindu god responsible for protecting and preserving the universe.



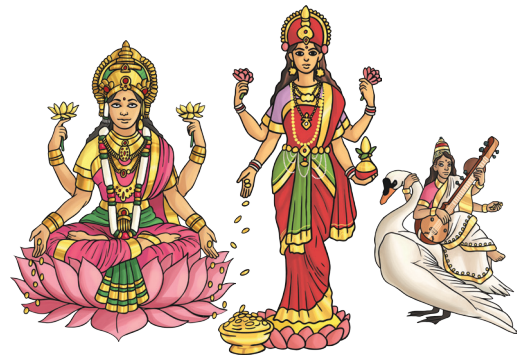
Shiva

A part of the Trimurti, Shiva is the Hindu god of destruction.



Tridevi

The Tridevi is the joining of the three Hindu goddesses Saraswati, Lakshmi and Parvati.



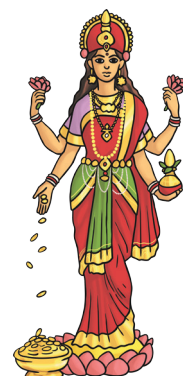
Saraswati

She is the Hindu goddess of knowledge and the arts and consort of Brahma the creator.



Lakshmi

She is the Hindu goddess of wealth and purity and the consort of Vishnu.



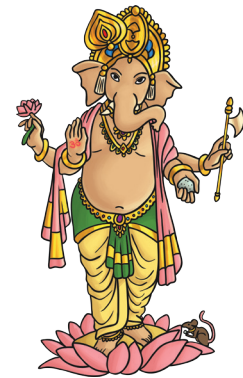
Shakti

Shakti is honoured as the mother goddess, a universal source of energy, power and creativity.



Ganesh

The son of Shiva and Parvati, Ganesh is depicted as having a head of an elephant and a human body and gives good fortune and wisdom.



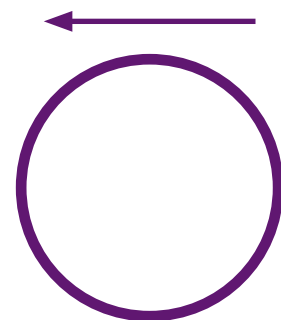
Hanuman

He is the symbol of strength and energy. A devotee of Lord Rama, who fought with him against the demon king, Ravana.



Reincarnation

In Hinduism, it is believed that life is a cycle of birth, death and rebirth. The rebirth doesn't have to be in human form and could be an animal or plant.



Moksha

Leaving the cycle of birth and rebirth to become one with the God.



Karma

The belief that for every action there is a consequence. In Hinduism, Karma is the belief that the actions performed in this life will effect what happens to you in the next life.



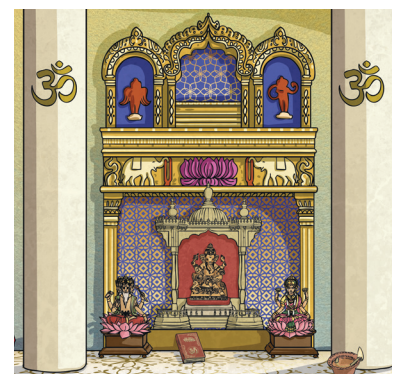
Dharma

Duty, religion, virtue and morality, Dharma is what is expected of each individual to uphold order – it is the 'right way of living'.



Mandir

The Hindu place of worship.



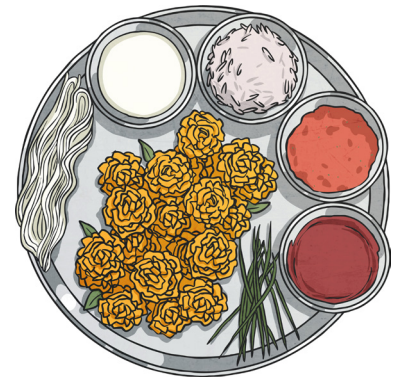
Atman

Atman means 'eternal self' and it is the belief that there is a part of Brahma in everyone.



Puja

The Hindu act of worship (often undertaken at home), where shrines of gods are offered food, treated as guests and prayed to.



Murti

A statue of a god or goddess.



Diwali

The Hindu festival of lights is associated with many stories. The main one being a celebration of the return of Lord Rama after an exile of 14 years, where he killed the demon king Ravana.

