

# Y3 Hinduism Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary	
<b>Hindu</b>	Someone who follows Hinduism.
<b>Vishnu</b>	<b>Hindu</b> god who protects the universe.
<b>Brahma</b>	<b>Hindu</b> god of creation.
<b>Trimurti</b>	The three aspects of the universal supreme God.
<b>Tridevi</b>	The three great goddesses of Hinduism.
<b>Brahman</b>	<b>Hindus</b> recognise one God, <b>Brahman</b> .

## Hindu Gods and Goddesses

**Hindus** recognise one God, **Brahman**. The gods of Hinduism are different aspects of **Brahman**.

The main three aspects (**Trimurti**) are:

**Vishnu**, **Brahma** and Shiva

The three great goddesses (**Tridevi**) are:

Saraswati, Lakshmi and Shakti

**Hindus** can pray to different gods and goddesses for help with different needs.



## Special Places for Hindus

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### Special Festivals

Holi is the 'festival of colours' and marks the beginning of spring with bonfires and lots of singing and dancing. Old rubbish is burnt to mark a fresh start and colour is thrown on people.



Diwali is the 'festival of lights' and is celebrated in late autumn. Diwali celebrates good's victory over evil with lots of lights around homes. Fireworks, presents and new clothes are used to celebrate.

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