



**NAME:** Brahma

Brahma is the **creator of the universe**. He grew inside a lotus from the navel of a sleeping Vishnu.

He has 4 heads and has the goddess Saraswati as a companion.

He knows all, is everywhere and is very **creative**.

**NAME:** Shiva

He is **generous and sympathetic**.

He is the source of both good and bad and part of the main trinity of Hindu gods.

Shiva destroys the old so that he can **create new life**.

**NAME:** Vishnu

Vishnu is the Hindu god that **protects the universe and people**.

Hindus believe that he saved his followers by appearing to them in other forms.

He is **caring and compassionate**.

**NAME:** Rama

Rama is the **'perfect' avatar of Vishnu**.

He is a symbol of **bravery, strength and courage**.

He is seen as the ideal man, son, king and husband.

**NAME:** Ganesh

Ganesh is the **elephant headed god**. He is the god that helps people overcome their problems by granting them **wisdom and strength**.

It is said that the god Shiva cut off his original head and restored him to life by giving him the head of an elephant.

**NAME:** Lakshmi

Lakshmi is the wife of Vishnu and travels on a lotus flower.

She is the goddess of wealth and **success**.

She possesses **knowledge and happiness** and is not obsessed with material things.

**NAME:** Sita

Sita is actually an **incarnation of the goddess Lakshmi**.

She is a beautiful, **loyal** wife and a role model for Hindu women.