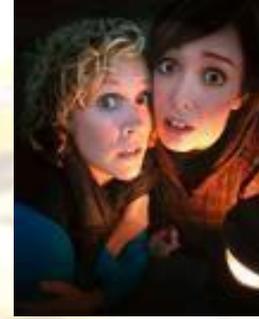


One God in many forms

AT1

- To understand that Hindus believe in many different forms of one god.
- Learn a couple of main forms.

AT2 - To reflect on how one being can have different personalities.

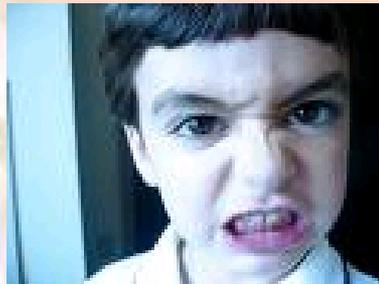


Have you ever felt like you are a different person?

What different moods do you go through?

Have you ever felt almost as though you are more than one person at times in your life?

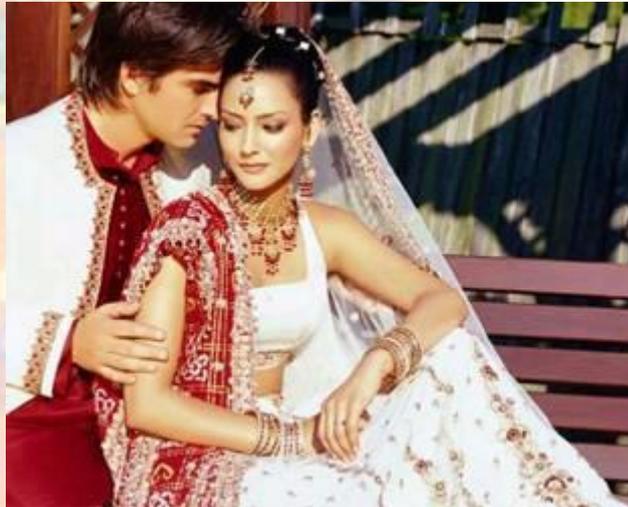
List 5 different moods you have felt recently, writing down the reason why you felt like that.



A lady is a female human being.
So although she's a human, she can
do many different things as a human.



She can be a mother, wife, daughter, teacher
and even a friend.



Hindu's believe that God has many aspects too
even though is the one true god.

BRAHMAN

BRAHMA

VISHNU

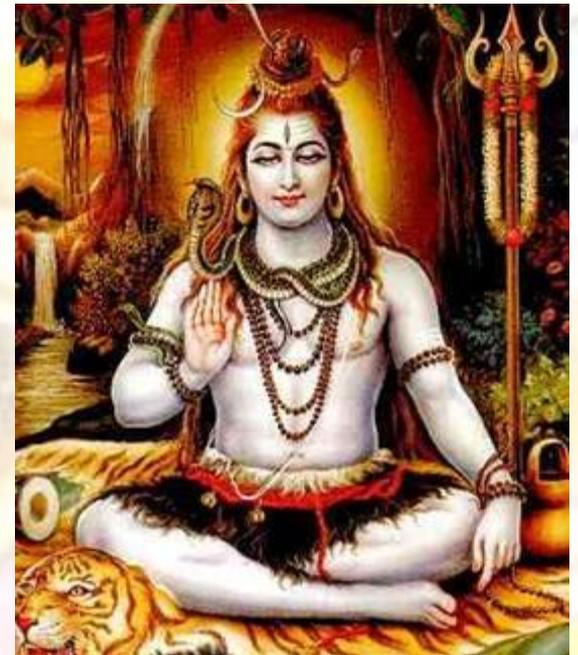
SHIVA



CREATOR



PRESERVER



DESTROYER

ONE GOD - MANY FORMS

Known as the Trimurti

Tri = three

Murti = image

God is called **BRAHMAN** in the Hindu religion. He may take on the form of anything in the world, usually a god or goddess, and each god or goddess has its own personality and appearance.

Brahman comes in the popular form of three gods.



This idea or concept is called **TRIMURTI**. They work together in a never ending pattern.

Brahma



BRAHMA - THE CREATOR

Brahma is the least worshipped of the three main gods. He has four heads and he recites the Vedas continually. He is the creator.

Vishnu

Vishnu is worshipped under several names. This is because he has different appearances. Hindus believe that when there is a time of danger for the earth, Vishnu comes to protect it. They believe he has come to the earth in 9 bodies. The most famous are Krishna and Rama .





Krishna



Rama

Shiva

Shiva is worshipped by about a quarter of all Hindus. He is the god who destroys so he controls death (and even life).

Although he can be frightening he is also thought of being kind and easy to please. He has at least 4 hands to show that he holds life and death and good and evil.





Depending on where one lives in India and the way they are brought up, Hindu's will have a special image of their version of God that they worship.

Not all Hindus believe that these deities are aspects of the one god, but rather that they ARE their own characters and are less than the real one god.

The most popular idea of god is to worship him as Vishnu.

Task

What examples can you give of the three different aspects of Brahman (as Brahma, Vishnu and Shiva) in real life?

So write down 5 examples of each of the following:

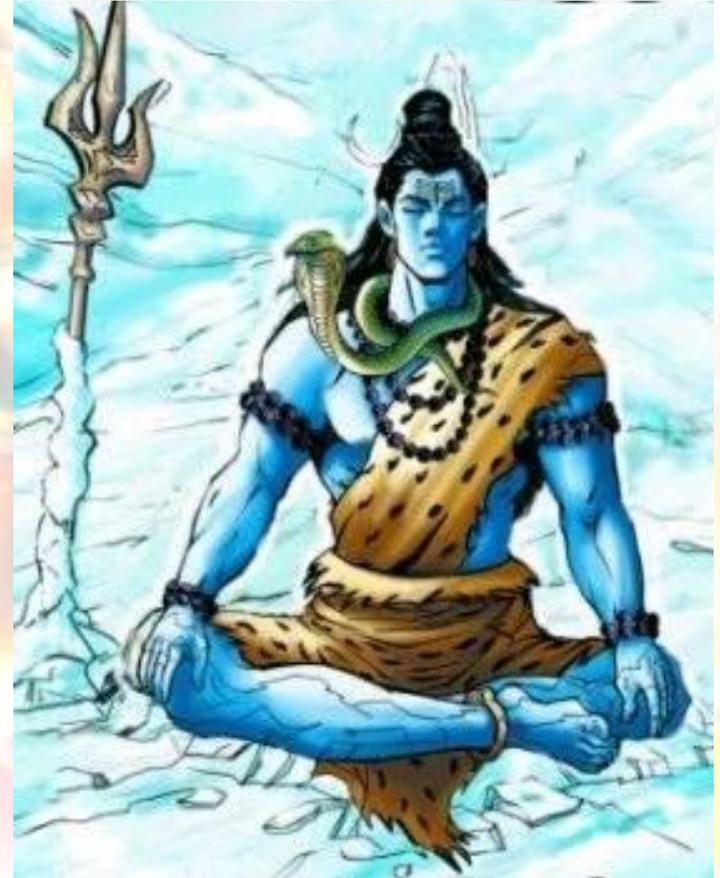
- Creation
- Preservation
- destruction



Do u think Shiva is a bad god as he is the destroyer?

Is death a bad thing?

Is an earthquake actually bad?



Quick verbal recap

What is the Trimurti?

Name the 3 gods.

What do they
each do?



If you were a Hindu for a day, and you had to worship one of the gods, who would you worship and why?

Write down your answer with explanation.

Be prepared to feedback to the class.



Produce a leaflet about the 3 gods you have learnt today. Mentioning the Trimurti.

Make this leaflet for people who have no knowledge of Hinduism at all.





