

# RE Term 1 Knowledge Organiser - What do Hindus believe God is like?

Key Vocabulary	
<b>Trimurti</b>	The three aspects of the universal supreme God (Brahman, Vishnu and Shiva).
<b>Aum</b>	Symbolises the Universe and the ultimate reality. It is the most important <b>Hindu</b> symbols.
<b>Brahman</b>	The God of creation and supreme spirit of all life.
<b>Vishnu</b>	Vishnu is the second God in the Hindu Trimurti. The preserver.
<b>Shiva</b>	Shiva is the third God in the Trimurti. The destroyer.
<b>Deity</b>	A god or goddess.
<b>Mandir</b>	A Hindu temple.
<b>Diwali</b>	The word Diwali means 'rows of lighted lamps'. Diwali is known as the 'festival of lights'.
<b>Murti</b>	A sacred image or depiction of a deity.
<b>Reincarnation</b>	A religious belief that the soul or spirit, after biological death, begins a new life.



**Diwali** is an important Hindu festival.

It is known as the 'festival of light' and celebrates the victory of good over evil, light over darkness and knowledge over ignorance.

It is celebrated over five days.

1. Dhanteras (day of fortune)
2. Naraka Chaturdasi (day of knowledge)
3. Diwali (day of light)
4. Padwa (New Year)
5. Bhai Dooj (day of love between siblings)



## Hindu Gods and Goddesses.

The Trimurti (the Hindu Trinity) consists of **Brahman** the Creator, **Vishnu** the Preserver, and **Shiva** the Destroyer.