Shiva

Shiva is a supreme Hindu God. He is also called 'the destroyer'. He had three children; one of these is the god Ganesha. He was married to Parvati. His skin is blue and he has a third eye in the middle of his forehead.

Parvati

Parvati is the wife of Shiva. She is a goddess and was the mother of Ganesha and another Hindu god called Murugan. It was Parvati who made Ganesha out of soap when she was feeling lonely.

Ganesha

Ganesha was the son of Shiva and Parvati. He has the head of an elephant. This is because Shiva did not know who he was and fought him until he cut off his head. Parvati was very upset and Shiva killed an elephant to give Ganesha a new head. Ganesha is the Hindu god of prophecy.