

Glossary

arti lamp

A five-edged lamp symbolising water, fire, earth, wind and air, which is used in prayer.

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deity

A god or goddess.

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incense

Spices which are burnt and give off a strong scent.

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laddos

Indian sweets.

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Lakshmi

The goddess of good fortune.

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murti

Image of a god or goddess used as a focus for worship.

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prayer

Talking to or thanking God or a deity.

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puja

A prayer or offering to the gods.

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Shiva

A god – the destroyer of the universe.