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## Hindu Gods: Brahma and his attributes

Although not from the earliest Vedic period, Brahma is the Hindu creator god holding the balance in a 'trinity' with Vishnu and Siva by the late 1st century BCE.

Today he has only three temples dedicated to him, but his image is in all those for Vishnu and Siva.

- I Four faces standing for the four quarters of the universe
- 2 Sacrificial ladle
- 3 String beads for prayer
- 4 Four Vedas (scriptures)
  5 Jar of Ganges water
- 6 Lotus throne (all gods sit or stand on one)

