

Glossary

arti

A Hindu prayer where burning lamps are waved in front of statues of gods.

barfi

Indian milky sweets.

demon

An evil spirit.

dhal

An Indian sauce made with lentils and spices served with rice.

diva lamps

A small oil lamp.

Lakshmi's footsteps

Footprints painted on the floor to welcome the goddess Lakshmi.

mandir

A Hindu place of worship.

mehndi

A type of paste used to draw patterns usually on the hands or feet.

murti

A picture or statue of a god or goddess.

puja

Praying to the gods and making offerings.

rangoli

A floor painting made using different coloured materials.

