

Brahmarākṣasas—a class of demons: Agastyas and Viśvāmitras come under this group;¹ live in the Surabhi forest;² born in the family of Brahmarākṣasis; generally reside in śleśmātaka trees.³

¹ Bhā. X. 63. 11; Br. I. 2. 33; III. 7. 100; 8. 59; 41. 29; Vā. 2. 33.

² M. 121. 62. ³ Vā. 69. 134-5.

Brahmarāta—Śuka (s.v.).

Bhā. I. 9. 8.

Brahmarātra—the period before dawn when after *rāsakriḍa* (s.v.) the Gopis went back to their Vraja.

Bhā. X. 33. 39.

Brahmaloka—the abode of Brahmā; the eternal world;¹ thirteen crores and fifteen niyuktas of yojanas from the Bhūloka and one crore and 500 niyuktas above the Satyaloka;² baths in Agastyesvaram and Devatīrtham lead one to;³ Viraja became Ekārṣṭaka here;⁴ hearing of the legend of Brahmadatta takes one to;⁵ Yayāti went from Devaloka to;⁶ the giver of Hiranyagarbha enjoys the world of;⁷ the giver of the *Brahmavaivarta Purāṇa* on the Full Moon day of Māgha reaches this;⁸ residence of the Brahmarṣis;⁹ fire reduced to ashes would not become fire again; so also the person reaching this loka would not have rebirth: *advaita mokṣa*;¹⁰ Brahmā, Purohita at;¹¹ the last place where Vaitātrika Devas went and became one with God during the Pralaya.¹²

¹ M. 86. 6; 178. 76; Bhā. IV. 31. 23; XI. 23. 30; Vā. 101. 27.
² Ib. 61. 87; 101. 112, 220; 65. 141; 106. 20; 108. 12; 111. 33, 49.
³ M. 191. 16, 24. ⁴ Ib. 15. 24. ⁵ Ib. 21. 41. ⁶ Ib. 36. 2. ⁷ Ib. 194. 28; 205. 8; 275. 26. ⁸ Ib. 53. 34-6. ⁹ Br. II. 35. 97; Vā. 61. 87. ¹⁰ Ib. 7. 32; 21. 70; 22. 20. ¹¹ Ib. 65. 68 and 77. ¹² Br. I. 5. 110; II. 6. 31.

Brahmalaukikas—Residents of Brahmaloka.

Vā. 102. 43; Br. IV. 2. 82.