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Quote:

In Yoruba mythology, Eshu is an Orisha, and one of the most respected deities. He has a wide range of responsibilities: the protector of travelers, god of roads, the deity with the power over fortune and misfortune, and the personification of psychopomp. Every magical ceremony or ritual began with an offering to him, which guarantees failure in the intent of the ceremony. Within the Orisa'Ifa - Santería, developed by the descendants of enslaved West African, Eshu was identified with Saint Michael, depending on the situation. He is identified by the colours red, white and his caminos, or paths (compare: avatar) are often represented by a crook, as well as a pipe.

Eshu is a trickster-god, and plays frequently tempting choices for the people. He is a difficult teacher, but a good one. As an example, Eshu was walking on a road wearing a hat that was red on one side and blue on the other. Sometime later, two villagers who had seen him began arguing about whether the stranger's hat was red or blue. The villagers on one side of the road had only been capable of seeing the blue half, while the other side had only been capable of seeing the red half. They nearly fought until Eshu came back and cleared the mystery, teaching the villagers about perception. He can alter one's perception of reality, and can be easily fooled. In other villages, the tribes were not stopped short of violence; they actually annihilated each other. The result, saying "Bringing strife is my greatest joy".

Its a snare!