



Cheshire West & Chester RE Knowledge Organiser

Sikhism Year 5



How are the values of community and equality shown through the Sikh way of life?

RE Skills to develop

I can explore and describe a range of beliefs, symbols and actions.
I can clearly and coherently explain the religions and worldviews I encounter.
I can explore and make personal informed responses to ultimate questions.
I can demonstrate an understanding of different views.

Our Enquiry Steps:

What do Sikhs believe?
 Who is Guru Nanak and how did he become a teacher and leader?
 What is the Guru Granth Sahib?
 What is the symbolism of the 5Ks and why is the community important for Sikhs?
 How do Sikhs lead their lives to the best of their ability?
 How do Sikhs remember the birthday of Guru Nanak?

Key Vocabulary	Definition
5 Fingers	Sikhism, Sikh, Guru Granth Sahib, Punjabi, Gurmukhi, Gurdwara
Guru Nanak	Guru Nanak was the founder of Sikhism and is the first of the ten Sikh Gurus.
Guru Granth Sahib	Guru Granth Sahib is the holy book of Sikhism.
Gurmukhi	Sikh scripts- this is the language the the Guru Granth Sahib is written in.
Panth and Khalsa	Khalsa refers to both a community that considers Sikhism as its faith, as well as a special group of initiated Sikhs. The Khalsa tradition was initiated in 1699 by the last living Guru of Sikhism, Guru Gobind Singh. Panth is the terms used for several religious traditions in India. They are founded by a Guru or an Acharya.
5Ks	The 5Ks, are five items that Guru Gobind Singh commanded Khalsa Sikhs to wear at all times. They are: Kesh (uncut hair), Kangha (a wooden comb for the hair), Kara (an iron bracelet), Kachera (100% cotton tieable undergarment) and Kirpan (an iron dagger large enough to defend oneself).
Gurdwara	A Gurdwara is the place where Sikhs come together for worship.
Guru	Teacher

Key Stories

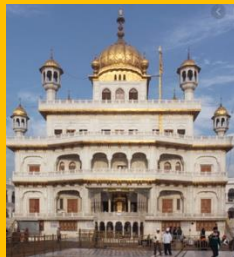


The Formation Of The Khalsa



The crocodile and the priest

Key Artefacts and Symbols



Our End Points:

Emerging: Explain how Sikhs believe in one God, consider all people as equal and value everyone's beliefs.

Expected: Understand how Sikhs respect the Gurus (not worship) and live according to their teachings. Can explain what Sikhs do in the Gurdwara, tell you about the Guru Granth Sahib and the langar. Can link the 5Ks to different values in Sikhism and explain meaning.

Exceeding: Explain aspects of worship as part of the Sikh festival celebrating the birthday of Guru Nanak. Explain values which are important in own lives and explain how to show these. See similarity and differences in values in a secular and faith led life and can discuss these using religious literate terms.