



Discovery RE Knowledge Organiser



This knowledge organiser is a guide, offering key information to point the teacher in the right direction as to the beliefs underpinning the particular enquiry.

The summaries must not be taken as the beliefs of ALL members of the particular religion.

Religion / Worldview: Sikhism Enquiry Question: How far would a Sikh go for his/ her religion? Age: 9/10 Year Group: 5 Autumn 1

In this enquiry, the children talk about how Sikhs live their lives according to their beliefs. This includes things they can do locally or travelling to a place of pilgrimage.

Core Knowledge (see also background information documents)		Lir	nk to other aspects of belief	Personal connection / resonance
The 5 Key Sikh beliefs		•	Pilgrimage – Sikhs may choose to visit the	 How might Sikhs feel if they visit
• God is in everything (Sikhs see God as an energy source rather than as a physical			Sri Harmandir Sahib Ji otherwise known as	the Golden Temple?
entity)			the Golden Temple in Amritsar	 How might they feel when they
• It is a Sikh's duty to serve others (sewa)		•	Khalsa and the 5 K's – revisit the learning	take place in the daily langar?
All people should be treated as equals			from the Yr3 enquiries as appropriate	 Is there anywhere in the world
Sikhs should share what they can with others		•	The Gurdwara – place of Worship	that would be special for me to
Sikhs should earn their living honestly				visit?
Langar				
The Langar is an important concept in Sikhism as it was started by Guru Nanak,				
founder of Sikhism. Everyone, regardless of rank or wealth, sits and eats freely				
provided and freshly produced vegetarian food and non-alcoholic drink together				
as equals				
Key Terms and definitions	History/Context		Impact on believer/daily life	Spiral curriculum link

Harmadir Sahib: Golden Temple – place of	 Guru Nanak, founder of Sikhism) 	Treating everyone equally	Consider whether the children
Pilgrimage in India	wanted people to be treated equally	Challenging inequality and injustice	have learnt about Sikhism in Year
Langar: free vegetarian meal available for	as he believed all were loved by God.		3. As these lessons can build on
all	Sikhs adopt many of the customs of		the foundations of the Yr3 lessons,
5 Ks: 5 physical symbols of joining the	whichever country they live in – for		it would be wise to revisit these
Khalsa	example in Christian countries they		and see what children can
	worship on a Sunday to fit in with		remember. If they have not, they
	the traditional Christian day of rest.		might need some pre-teaching on
	,		commitment and core beliefs

Is there anywhere in the world that would be special for us to visit? Why would we go there? How would we feel?

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