

Jigsaw RE Knowledge Organiser

Religion /Worldview: Sikhi	Enquiry Question: Who is God to Sikhs?	Age: 5-7 Enquiry 1
In this unit, the children learn Sikhi beliefs and how these impact on their life.		

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.

Core Knowledge (see also background information documents)		Link to other aspects of belief	Personal connection / resonance
<p>Sikhs believe in one God and this God is within people, animals and plants. Guru Nanak was the founder of Sikhism. He was the first of 10 very special teachers called the Gurus. He taught people that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is only one God • To God, all people are equal, and God wants us all to treat one another as equals • God created everyone and loves everyone • We must share what we have with others • God wants us to earn an honest living • It is important to lead a good life <p>The Guru Granth Sahib is the Sikh holy text. It is always treated with the utmost respect, the same respect as a living Guru of the Sikhs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone bows down to it when they are at the Gurdwara • It has 1430 pages • It contains hymns from 36 saints: many from different backgrounds and religions • The hymns are written as poems and set to a classical North Indian form of music • It is covered in a special fabric and has a special throne 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship in the Gurdwara • Respecting the Guru Granth Sahib • The Langar meal • Vand Ke Chakna – sharing with others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do I believe about working hard and sharing? • Are there any special books in my life that have helped me act kindly?
Key Terms and definitions	History/Context	Impact on believer/daily life	Spiral curriculum link
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sewa – service to others • Amrit Ceremony – joining the Khalsa • Amrit: sugar water stirred with a dagger • Guru Granth Sahib – Holy book • Gurdwara – Sikh place of worship • Guru – teacher • Sikh - learner 	<p>Sikhism began over 500 years ago in the Punjab region of India. From the examples of the Gurus and the teachings in the Guru Granth Sahib, Sikhs believe that your actions are important, and you should lead a good life by always keeping God in your heart and mind, working and living honestly and treating everyone equally and with respect.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyday life will reflect the moral code laid out in the example of the Gurus and in the Guru Granth Sahib • Service to others and sharing are daily considerations for Sikhs not just on special occasions 	<p>This is the first enquiry for Sikhi so lays the foundation for all successive enquiries.</p>
Home learning ideas/questions: How do we all play a part in helping each other and showing each other respect?			