

Knowledge Organiser

Do Sikhs think it is important to share?

In this enquiry, we learn about why sharing is so important to Sikhs. We look at some festivals and begin to understand how important the community is to Sikhs. Keeping the stories fresh in their minds helps Sikhs live their daily lives in the correct way.

Key Knowledge

Sharing is a key part of Sikh beliefs. In these festivals and practices there is an element of sharing.

- Vaisakhi - the beginning of the Khalsa.
- The Place of Worship, The Gurdwara, is a focus for celebrations - the community are involved fully.
- Celebrations include - singing, music, reading from the holy book, hymn chanting and community care.
- The Guru Granth Sahib is seen as a living teacher and treated with great respect.
- Divali - a festival commemorating the story of Guru Hargobind Sahib Ji - a story of sharing and humanitarianism. Divali is celebrated in different ways in different parts of the world - lights are often part of the festivities.

Key vocabulary

Vaisakhi - festival commemorating the Khalsa

Gurdwara - Sikh place of Worship

Guru Granth Sahib - Sikh holy book

Divali - festival commemorating the release of one of the 10 Gurus

Langar - a free meal given to all who come to the Gurdwara - usually vegetarian so everyone can have it.

Learning questions

- Can I talk about why it is important to share?
- Can I explain why Sikhs believe it is important to share?
- Can I explain an example of sharing in Sikhi history?
- Can I explain why Sikhs sit at share at a Langar?
- Can I tell you why sharing is important to Sikhs?



- Can I explain how it feels to share and how it creates a sense of belonging?

What other facts have you learned?

