

R.E.– Knowledge Organiser

R.E. Focus	Sikhism: Sharing and Community	Year 3	Summer 1
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What? (Key Knowledge)

Langar



Sharing is an important part of the faith. Langar is the shared meal that is offered free to anyone, Sikh or non-Sikh, after each service of worship at the Gurdwara. Everyone is seen as equal through the sharing of Karah Parshad and the Langar.

Vaisakhi Festival



Vaisakhi celebrates the founding of the **Khalsa** (Sikh community) and introduction of the **five K's**. During celebrations Sikhs take down the Sikh flag before cleaning the flag pole with natural yoghurt, wrapping it with new cloth and putting the flag pole back up.

Why is sharing so important to Sikhs?



The Sikh Holy book, **The Guru Granth Sahib**, gives three rules to live by. One of these is share with the needy whatever you can spare. These rules are important, as God gave them the rules and they are respecting God by doing these things.

Attainment Targets

- I can discuss why it is important to share even though it is not always easy.
- I can describe some ways that Sikhs share and begin to explain why this is important to them because of their beliefs.
- I can begin to tell you if I think sharing is important or not to Sikhs.

Key Questions

- Do Sikhs think it is important to share?
- When does it feel good to share and what feelings does this give you?
- How would a Sikh family feel being part of the Vaisakhi celebrations?
- How does langar compare to the Christian communion/how you share?
- How do non-religious people or people of other faiths share with their community or the wider world?

What? (Key vocab)

Spelling	Definition
Karah Parshad	A sweet pudding that is shared with worshippers in the prayer hall.
Gurdwara	Sikh place of worship.
Guru	Means 'teacher'
5 K's	Kirpan (sword), Kesh (long hair), Kara (bracelet), Kangha (comb), Kachera (shorts)

Possible experiences

- Visit to a local Sikh temple to observe/partake in langar.
- Outdoor Learning – re-enact the flag washing ceremony.

