

Knowledge Organiser – Sikhism

Big Question: What do Sikhs believe?

The five Ks

Sikhs wear the five Ks as a symbol of their faith. The symbols remind them of their religious duties. They are called the five Ks because each one begins with 'K' in the Punjabi language.



Sikh Gurdwara
Place of worship for Sikhs

Key Vocabulary:

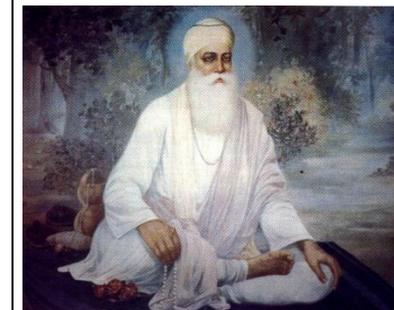
Sikh	Khalsa	Kesh
God	Amrit	Kanga
Faith	Equality	Kara
Guru	Commitment	Kirpan
Nanak	The 5 Ks	Kachera



Amrit Ceremony as introduced by Guru Gobind Singh.



Mandir Sahib
The holiest shrine for Sikhs



Guru Nanak

Sikhism:

Sikhs believe in One God, for all humanity, who looks at people's actions rather than people's religious labels. Guru Nanak, the founder, also taught importance of all men and women everywhere being equal, and also the importance of service to others. Guru Nanak was followed by nine other Gurus. The tenth **Guru, Guru Gobind Singh**, decided that there would be no more living Gurus and that the **Guru Granth Sahib** (sacred scriptures) should be read for future guidance.

Sikhs are encouraged to be formally confirmed into their faith through an initiation ceremony known as Amrit.

This was started by Guru Gobind Singh who gave Sikhs a distinctive uniform – the five Ks.

These are kesh (uncut hair), kangha (a comb), kirpan (a sword), kara (a wristband) and kachera (short trousers).

