

RE Knowledge Organiser

Religion /Worldview: Sikhi	Enquiry Question: What is the best way for a Sikh to live a good life?	Age: 7-9 Enquiry 3
In this unit, the children learn about elements of Sikhi belief which may constitute living a good life.		

Core Knowledge (see also background information documents)		Link to other aspects of belief	Personal connection / resonance
<p>Sikh core beliefs include the need to treat people as equals and share with others Actions such as wearing the 5 Ks. repeating God’s name, reading the scriptures, singing praises, taking part in Langer, Sewa (selfless service) and wearing a turban could show that Sikhs wish to follow their teachings and live a good life. Sikhs also show respect to the Guru Granth Sahib:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They bow down when they see Guru Granth Sahib, • they wrap Guru Granth Sahib with beautiful cloth, • they wave over the Guru Granth Sahib to show respect, • they listen to the teachings of Guru Granth Sahib, <p>After a day of worship, they take the Guru to a special room which serves as a ‘resting place’. Many Sikhs feel that the biggest commitment a Sikh can make to living a good life is by following the teachings of the Guru Granth Sahib. These include instructions to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be kind, • speak nicely to others, be honest, • care for others, • stand up to bullying behaviour, • help those who need it, • love everyone’. 		<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"> • How do I define a good life? • How might I benefit others from my actions?
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 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practices like the Khalsa date back to the formation of Sikhism and are still significant today – Sikhs remember the sacrifices made by the Gurus and other Sikhs followed them – they are a living example of the Gurus wishes. • Sikhs look for ways of helping in their local community as well as nationally and globally 	<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 enquiry ties together the previous learning on Sikhi, including the Khalsa and the Langar. It is built on in the 9-11 enquiry on commitment</p>

