

Exploring the Gurdwara

Learning objective: To identify and understand key features of a Gurdwara and the practices of the Sikh faith.

Max the monkey is visiting a Gurdwara for the first time! Use the drawing prompt to create a scene of the Gurdwara. Once you have finished your drawing, use the word bank to label the important parts of the building and the community area.

Draw: Draw a wide-angle scene of a Gurdwara. Include the exterior with the Nishan Sahib flagpole and the interior prayer hall. Show the Guru Granth Sahib resting on a beautiful canopy. In a separate section of your drawing, show the Langar hall with people of all backgrounds sitting side-by-side on the floor eating together. Use bright, welcoming colours to show the community spirit.



Label words: Guru Granth Sahib · Nishan Sahib · Langar · Karah Parshad · Pala · Shoes

Steps:

1. Label the tall flagpole that flies the Sikh flag outside the building.
2. Label the holy scripture (the Guru Granth Sahib) placed on a raised platform.
3. Label the area where the free community kitchen (Langar) provides food for everyone.
4. Label the place where people leave their shoes before entering the prayer hall.

5. Label the sweet offering (Karah Parshad) being shared with the visitors.
6. Draw and label people sitting together on the floor to show equality.