

# Exploring Sikhism: A Class 4 Vocabulary Mat

Learning objective: To understand and define key terms relating to the beliefs, practices, and history of the Sikh faith.

## Key Vocabulary

Use this word mat to support your understanding of Sikhism. The terms are grouped into 'Beliefs and Teachings', 'Sacred Places and Objects', and 'Practices and Values'.

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| <b>Guru</b> The spiritual teacher or guide who sha...   | <b>Guru Granth Sah...</b> The central religious scr...      | <b>Waheguru</b> The Sikh name for God, meaning ...       |
| <b>Gurdwaras</b> A Sikh place of worship, meanin...     | <b>Langar</b> The community kitchen in a Gurdwa...          | <b>Seva</b> The concept of selfless service perfor...    |
| <b>Khanda</b> The symbol of the Sikh faith, repres...   | <b>Five Ks</b> Five physical articles of faith that init... | <b>Kesh</b> Uncut hair, symbolising respect for the...   |
| <b>Kara</b> A steel bracelet worn on the wrist, repr... | <b>Kanga</b> A small wooden comb used to keep ...           | <b>Kachera</b> Specifically designed cotton under...     |
| <b>Kirpan</b> A small sword or dagger representing...   | <b>Amrit</b> Holy nectar used during the initiation c...    | <b>Equality</b> The core belief that all people, rega... |
| <b>Explain why the ...</b>                              | <b>Compare and con...</b>                                   | <b>Justify your ans...</b> Why might the Guru Gra...     |
| <b>What might happ...</b>                               | <b>How does the sy...</b>                                   | <b>If you were to cre...</b>                             |