

Exploring the Life of the Buddha

Learning objective: To learn about the life of Siddhartha Gautama and the symbols important to Buddhists.

Follow the steps below to draw a scene showing Siddhartha Gautama under the Bodhi tree. Use the word bank to add labels to your drawing.

Draw: Draw a peaceful garden scene. In the centre, draw a large, leafy Bodhi tree with a calm person sitting underneath it in a meditation pose. Include a beautiful lotus flower blooming in the foreground. Use bright, calm colours like green, gold, and soft pink to show a feeling of peace.



Label words: Bodhi Tree · Siddhartha · Meditation · Lotus Flower · Peace

Steps:

1. Step 1: Draw a large tree in the centre of your page. This is the Bodhi tree. Label the tree.
2. Step 2: Draw Siddhartha sitting under the tree. He is calm and quiet. Label him with his name.
3. Step 3: Draw a lotus flower near the tree. What do you think this flower represents? Write one word.
4. Step 4: Add a small label to your drawing that says 'Peace'.