Diwali: The Festival of Lights Vocabulary Mat

Learning objective: To explore the key terminology and significance of Diwali within Hinduism, Sikhism, and Jainism, demonstrating a deep understanding of its cultural and spiritual resonance.

Key Vocabulary

This reference mat is categorised into 'Spiritual Significance', 'Traditions & Rituals', and 'Symbolism'. Use these terms to enhance your analytical writing about the festival.

Dharma The moral order of the universe and…	**Diya** A small oil lamp, often made of clay, us…	**Rangoli** Intricate patterns created on the floo…
Lakshmi The Hindu goddess of wealth, fortu…	**Bandi Chhor Div…** A Sikh celebration coinc…	**Puja** A ritual act of worship or prayer offered …
Explain why light …	**Compare and con…**	**Justify your ans…** Does the tradition of Ra…
What might happ…	**Analyse the conn…**	**Evaluate the imp…**