

YEAR 5/6
AUTUMN 2

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WORDS OF WISDOM



Concept:
Symbolism

WHAT SHOULD I ALREADY KNOW?

- I can name a number of religious texts including the Bible, the Qur'an and the Torah.
- I know the story of Prophet Muhammad and the thirsty camel.
- I know the Christian story of The Lost Sheep.

VOCABULARY

Stories with messages	A lesson that can be derived from a story or experience.
Khalsa	The purified and reconstituted Sikh community
Amrit sanskar	This ceremony initiates them into the Khalsa.

STICKY KNOWLEDGE

The Khalsa was formed by Guru Gobind Singh at Vaisakhi in AD1699. It is a group into which committed Sikhs can be initiated to demonstrate their devotion to their faith.

The Khalsa commemorates five volunteers who were prepared to offer their lives for Waheguru and Guru Gobind Singh. Their commitment is an example of sewa - a willingness to serve others without thought for your own wellbeing.

After offering their lives to Guru Gobind Singh, the five volunteers were given amrit, which is a mixture of sugar and water. They were given it in a bowl stirred by a khanda - a double-edged sword

Today, Sikhs who wish to become members of the Khalsa show their commitment and dedication by taking part in the Amrit Sanskar ceremony. This ceremony initiates them into the Khalsa.



WEAVING CONCEPTS

Explore 

Make links between words, phrases and stories of importance to faith communities and say how these reflect the ideas of believers

Engage 

Link words, phrases and stories with important beliefs and say what impact these might have on the lives of believers

Reflect 

Use words, phrases and stories to explore their personal values and explain what influences them