



Key Knowledge

What should we know by the end of this topic?

- Guru Nanak was born into a Hindu family in the Punjab and began teaching at a time when Islam and Hinduism were the 2 main religions in his region
- Sikhism is its own distinct faith
- Sikh people believe that escaping reincarnation is in God's hands and comes when a person receives the grace of God



Guru Nanak
1469 CE - 1539 CE

Sikh Stories

The Wise Man and
the Bowl of Milk

What does this
story teach
about the Seva?

What does this
story teach about
Grihastha?

Malik Bhago and
Lalo

When Lehna first
met Guru Nanak

What does this
story teach
about Guru
Nanak?

The Origin of the Khalsa and the Introduction of the Five Beloved Ones = We are one family when members of the Khalsa

Men → Singh

Women → Kaur

Commitment to
faith

Key Skills

How can we develop as a theologian?

- Explore similarities and differences between Sikhism, Hinduism and Islam
- Place Guru Nanak's life on a timeline alongside other key events
- Explore the link between the 10 Gurus
- Compare the treatment of the Guru Granth Sahib with the treatment of the Bible



SIKHISM IS A MONOTHEISTIC
RELIGION.
MEANING ONE GOD.

Compare this
with what you
know about
Christianity,
Islam and
Hinduism

Key Topic Questions

What do Sikhs believe
about reincarnation and
how does this compare to
Hindus?

How can Sikh
people live a
God-conscious
life?

What do Sikhs believe
about the purpose of life?



What did Guru
Nanak teach
about a lotus
flower?

Explore how Baisakhi is
celebrated, making links
with other faiths



Key Vocabulary

How can I use these words in my lessons?

Vocabulary	Definition
Monotheist	The belief in only one God
Guru Nanak	Founder of Sikhism
Gurus	Wise guides chosen by God, spiritual teacher
Enlightenment	Realising knowledge and understanding
Guru Granth Sahib	Sikh holy scripture, final Guru
Reincarnation	The soul being reborn into another body
Jiva	The soul
Gurmukh	Living a God-conscious life
Grihastha	Householder who works, earns and supports a family and is generous towards others
Manmukh	The opposite of Gurmukh, a selfish life
Seva	Selfless service way of living
Khalsa	The body of initiated Sikhs