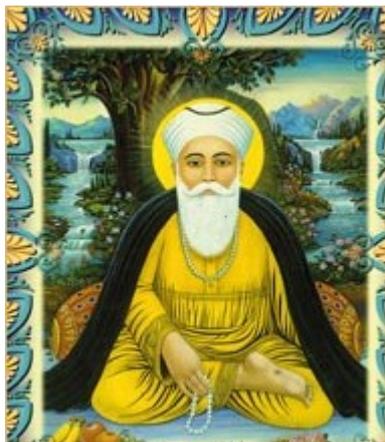


The **Mool Mantra** states that:

- God is one
- God is creator
- God is immanent in creation
- God does not fear
- God does not hate
- God is truth
- God is outside time
- God has no form
- God is not born
- God does not die
- God is known by the grace of the Guru

The centre of the faith is the Guru Granth Sahib, compiled by the first six Gurus and the last human Guru. It gives enough of the truth of God, and gives full happiness. The **name** of God is the sweetness that gives freedom.



**Questions** (using this sheet):

Answer questions using sentences

- 1 Which do you think is the most important of the Mool Mantra and give reasons why.
- 2 Sometimes Sikhs refer to God as being like nectar, or sweetness. What is it of God that gives this sweetness?
- 3 There were ten human gurus. What replaced the human gurus (there are two good answers)?
- 4 What is the difference between the Gurus being revered and not worshipped?
- 5 What room in the Gurdwara is the most deliberate expression of equality under God?
- 6 Describe Guru Nanak in the picture in words, and describe and add your opinion of his state.
- 7 What are Sikhs specifically forbidden to do regarding images and worship. Can you think of why this might be and how it might compare with what you know about other religions?
- 8 Write out a Mool Mantra including essentials of belief. Your Mool Mantra can be about what is most important to you: perhaps God, or faith, or human wellbeing, or an issue that concerns you more than any other.

1	<b>Guru Nanak</b>	1469-1539	<i>Stated Ek Ong Kar: We are all one, created by the One Creator of all Creation, and the Name of God is Truth, <b>Sat Nam</b>.</i>
2	<b>Guru Angad</b>	1504-1552	
3	<b>Guru Amar Das</b>	1479-1574	<i>All eat together in a common kitchen.</i>
4	<b>Guru Ram Das</b>	1534-1581	
5	<b>Guru Arjan</b>	1581-1606	
6	<b>Guru Hargobind</b>	1606-1644	
7	<b>Guru Har Rai</b>	1630-1661	
8	<b>Guru Har Krishen</b>	1656-1664	<i>Built Harimandir House of God in Amritsar</i>
9	<b>Guru Tegh Bahadur</b>	1621-1675	
10	<b>Guru Gobind Singh</b>	1666-1708	
11	<b>Guru Granth Sahib</b> (scripture)		<i>Ended the line of human Gurus.</i> <i>The temporal Guru became the Khalsa, the Sikh brotherhood</i>

Crucial for Sikhs is reciting the **Name of God**, which is done through reading the Guru Granth Sahib. They cannot worship any images, photographs, graves or objects. There should be no photographs of the Gurus or others in the hall where the Guru Granth Sahib is installed. The Gurus are revered not worshipped. They manifest God but are not God.

*The Commandments of the ten Gurus:*

*Worship the one Almighty God  
Make worship part of daily life  
Do not make images of God  
Treat all humans as equals*

*A. Wonsfold*