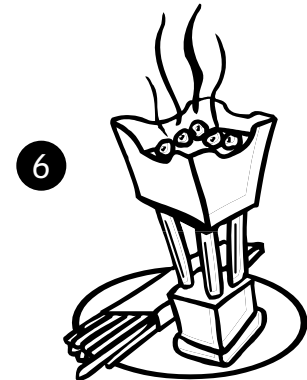
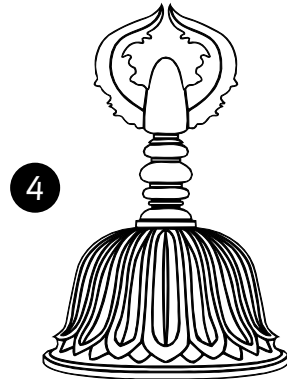
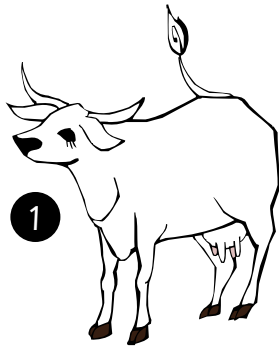


WHAT CAN YOU SEE? - THE HINDU TEMPLE**Things to Do:**

When you visit a Hindu Temple or Mandir you will usually see the items below. Match each description with the correct picture.



- A. A bell or **Ghant** is used during worship to wake the God or Goddess.
- B. **Incense** is usually burnt before a shrine as an offering to the God or Goddess.
- C. **Ganesha** is the Hindu Elephant God that people often pray to when they have a tough job to do. God Ganesha is believed to be able to move obstacles.
- D. **Shiva** is the destroyer. Sometimes images of Shiva show him carrying weapons. Often he is surrounded by fire or holds a flame in one hand. Hindus believe that as well as being the God of destruction, Shiva also clears a way for new life and rebirth. Shiva has four arms.
- E. The symbol **Om** represents creation and life. It is both a symbol and a sound.
- F. The cow is sacred to Hindus. Milk from the cow is also considered holy. Milk and foods containing milk are often offered to the Gods. The festival of the cow is called **Pongol**.

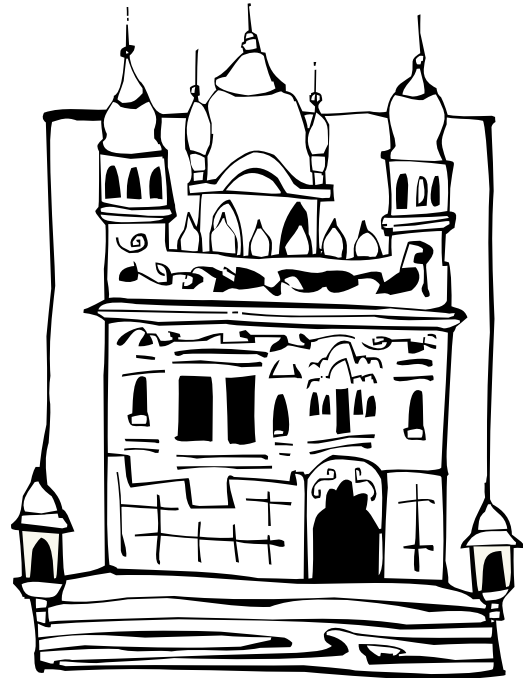
A. _____ B. _____ C. _____ D. _____ E. _____ F. _____

FAMOUS PLACES OF WORSHIP - AMRITSAR

Sikh **Gurdwaras** can be as grand as the **Golden Temple** at **Amritsar** in India or simply a part of a house. Sikhs believe that wherever a **Guru Granth Sahib**, the Sikh holy book, is housed is a place of worship.

The fabulous temple at Amritsar is a focal point for the Sikh religion. The marble walls of the temple are covered with gold and it is surrounded by water which is believed to be able to heal the sick. Each of the four sides of the temple has a door, these symbolise that anyone can enter.

The Golden Temple was completed in 1601. The central part of the temple houses the Guru Granth Sahib. During religious festivals candles are lit around the temple and at night the golden walls sparkle providing an amazing sight.



**Colour the Golden Temple
how you imagine it to be.**

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Things to Do:

In the wordsearch are several words connected with Sikhism from the paragraph below. When you have found all the words the letters you haven't used will spell out a special phrase. What is it?

Anandpur is where Sikhism was founded. **Amritsar** is where the **Golden Temple** is located. Sikh men wear **turbans** to help keep their hair tidy. The Sikh brotherhood is called the **khalsa**. Sikhs believe in **karma** which means that the way we behave in this life affects our next life. When Sikhs visit their Gurdwara they often sing **kirtan** or hymns.

The special phrase is _____.

It is the _____.



SIKHISM
The Sikh symbol called the Khanda



HINDUISM

Sacred Cow statues outside a Hindu Temple

An Islamic Mosque

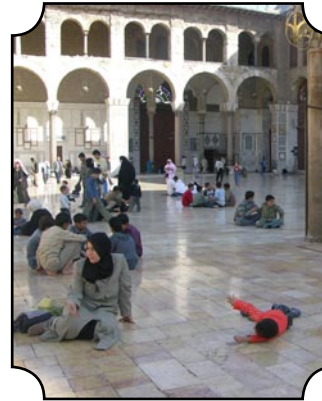


During prayer Muslims kneel on a prayer mat. In a Mosque this is a huge rug covering the floor.



The mihrab is an alcove which indicates the direction of Mecca.

A mosque is a building that serves as the main place of worship for Muslims. Mosques are of various sizes and types. The Friday mosque, in which the entire congregation assembles to perform the ritual Friday prayers, is by far the **largest and most important**.



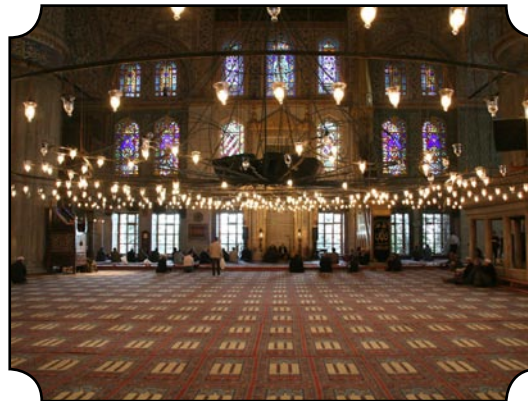
Many Mosques have an internal courtyard.



A minaret is where the Muezzin calls the faithful to prayer.



Muslims remove their shoes before entering the Mosque. Here a man is kneeling to pray.



The prayer hall in a Mosque where Muslims meet to pray and study the Qur'an.



The Qur'an is the Muslim holy book.

