

# The Kaur Family



## Glossary

**Ancestry:** The background of the family.

**Community:** A group of people living in the same place or having a something in common.

**Generations:** The average period, generally considered to be about thirty years, in which children grow up, become adults, and have children of their own.

**Gurdwara:** Sikh place of worship.

**Langar Hall:** A kitchen/canteen where food is served in a Gurdwara to all the visitors for free.

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Dad: **Gurnam Singh**

My name is: **Gurkiran**

Brother: **Amar Singh**

Mum: **Harvinder Kaur**

Brother: **Uttamveer Singh**



## Family Details

I live with my Mum Harvinder Kaur, Dad Gurnam Singh, and my two brothers Uttamveer Singh and Amar Singh. Both my parents work in Derby and go to our Sikh Gurdwara every day.

## My Grandparents

My grandparents live in India.

## Other Family Members

I have an Uncle who also lives in Derby.

## More About Me

I like dancing and enjoy singing with my friends. I also like baking cakes/biscuits. I love doing aerobics. I don't like milk chocolate, however, I love chips, pizza (junk food) etc. I like going out to the park with my family.

## My Places

I go to Derby Moor School and I also go to the Gurdwara regularly. I go to my ukulele club. I also have Punjabi classes at the Gurdwara.

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1. Why does Gurkiran say that her **heritage** is important to her?

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2. What is the difference between **heritage**, **history** and **culture**?

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3. Where does Gurkiran say her **home** is and why?

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Where does she say that her parents , Harvinder and Gurnam, would say that their home is?

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4. Describe what **rituals** take place in the Gurdwara?

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5. Why is the **Gurdwara** such a special place for Gurkiran and her family?

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6. What is **The Langar** and why is it so important in the Sikh faith?

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7. Why did Gurkiran's Uncle get awarded the **Victory Cross**? Why is this a special award to receive? (Read more about The Victory Cross on The Open Centre Website)

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8. Is Gurkiran free to choose her own **education** and **future career**?

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What are her hopes for the **future**?

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Do you think her **Mother** and **Grandmother** had the same freedoms?

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9. Look up the story behind one of the **ten Gurus**. You can find more information about the Ten Gurus on The Open Centre website.



10. In your own words....  
How do you feel about and respond to The Singh Family?

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Chose three emotions that capture your feelings

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Chose three adjectives that best describe your appreciation of the family

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Write down three questions that you would like to ask the family

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

