# **Disposition: Being Open, Honest and Truthful**

## **Lesson:** Two

### Question/LO: What do Sikhism and Jainism teach about honesty?

| **Dimension of learning** | **Activities** | **Resources** |
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| Learning about religious traditions and non-religious world-views | Explain that truth matters. Living honestly is a way of living people try to do, but it can involve making difficult choices.Ask pupils in talk partners to discuss the following questions:How do you feel when someone lies to you? How do you feel when you tell lies? Earning an honest living and hard work is important to many people. Explain that for Sikhs this is taken further to include:* Not taking way what rightfully belongs to others
* To be involved in work that is not financially rewarding
* Not working purely for financial gain

Baljinder is looking for a job. As a Sikh she wants to follow the teachings and guidance of her faith. Which of the following roles or jobs would be suitable for her: * Cleaning windows
* Volunteer work (not being paid) – helping out in an old people’s home
* Being a stay at home parent
* Owning her own business and employing young people to develop their skills
* Owning her own business company because she wants to be a millionaire
* Working in a supermarket
* Selling stolen mobile phones

Ask the pupils if they can think of a job that Baljinder could do and one that she could not because of her beliefs.There is a similar teaching in Jainism called ‘asteya’ which involves not stealing – through thought, words or action. Explain it is not as easy as just not taking something that is not yours – tricking someone or deceiving someone would be considered stealing by Jains.* Buying something or being given something which is stolen
* Buying precious things very cheaply
* Deceiving or tricking others using false money
* Using false measurements on weighted items, so that customers are paying for the weight of something but getting less for the price (for example selling 50g of sweets but the weight of the bag of sweets is only 40g).

Ask pupils to work in groups to create a role play form the list of guidance for Jains. Ask pupils to explain why Jains would consider this to be stealing.  | A video ‘Being open, honest and truthful’ will have downloaded into the same folder as this lesson plan. KS2\_Y3\_Unit\_09\_Su\_Wk\_02\_of\_03\_R123\_Video\_Being\_Open\_Honest\_Truthful\_v1 |