

BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir



Students Worksheet (15-year-olds and older)



Name: School:

Welcome. This worksheet will help you to learn about the Mandir in an enjoyable way.

1. Before you enter the Mandir:

a. Describe the local area and how the Mandir fits into it.

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b. What is your first impression on seeing the outside of the Mandir?

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c. What is the full name of the Mandir?

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2. When you enter the Mandir:

a. Describe your feelings when you first entered the building.

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b. Whose photo is on your left and why is the picture located in such a prominent place?

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3. Answer the questions below.

a. What is special about the Prayer Hall?

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b. How does it feel to be inside the Central Prayer Area?

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c. Which country is the wood from?

d. In which country was the wood carved?

e. The design on the carpet is based on the flower.

f. What does the word 'Haveli' refer to?

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4. Answer the questions below.

a. Describe what it is like standing in the main Mandir?

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b. During the arti ceremony, what do the sadhus (priests) do? Be specific.

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c. What material was used to build this Mandir?

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d. Who is the present spiritual leader (guru) of the Swaminarayan Faith?

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e. Why do you think you are asked to remain silent in the Mandir?

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f. Which image has been consecrated opposite the Exhibition Hall?

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5. What do these symbols signify?

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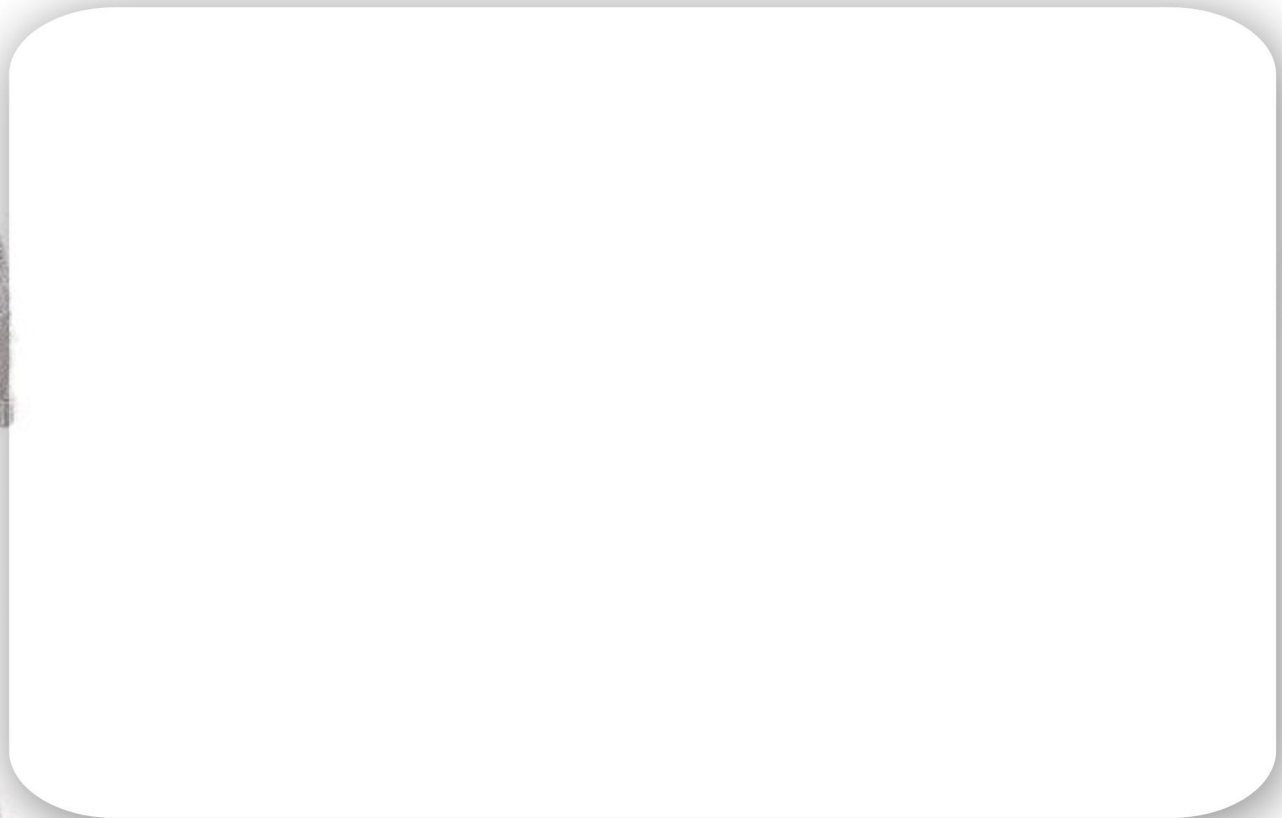


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6. Draw and label two sketches from inside the Mandir.



7. When you leave:

a. What were your overall thoughts of the day?

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b. Why do you think the Hindus who built the Mandir went to so much trouble to build such a beautiful building?

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c. What other activities take place in the Mandir apart from worship?

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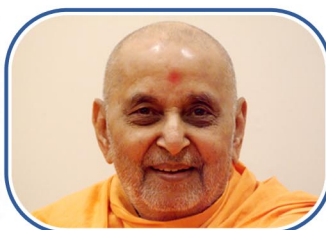
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR VISIT



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