BANDI CHHOR DIWAS (ਬੰਦੀ ਛੋੜ ਦਿਵਸ)

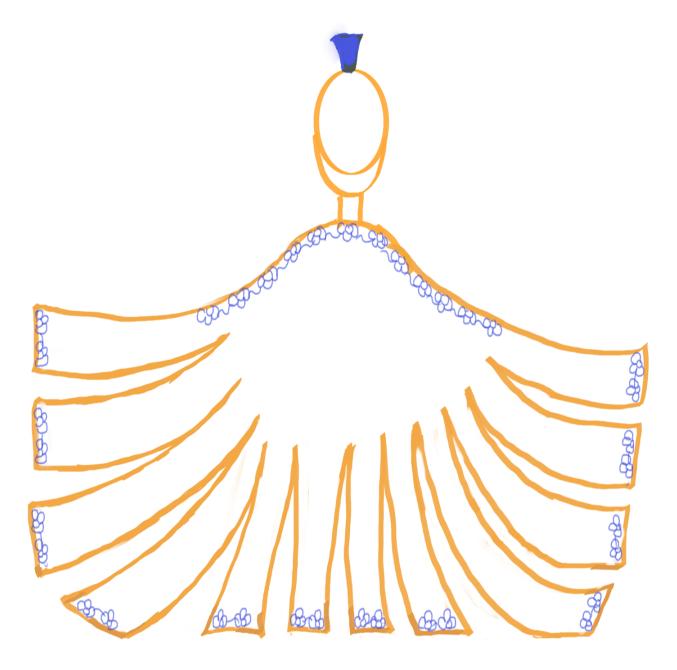
Read the Sakhi below, then complete the attached activity.



Emperor Jahangir had wrongly kept Guru Hargobind Ji in prison. After being told by saintly folks like Mian Mir, he realized his mistake and decided to let Guru Ji be free. Guru Ji said he would only leave if the Emperor would let the wrongly held 52 kings leave with him. To this, Jahangir agreed on one condition -- anyone who could hold on to Guru Ji's ਚੋਲਾ/robe would be free to go with him. Guru Ji had a special ਚੋਲਾ/robe made with 52 ਕਲੀਆਂ (hems/tails). Each of the 52 kings held on to one hem/tail of Guru Ji's ਚੋਲਾ/robe and was freed from the prison. Guru Hargobind Ji thus became known as ਬੰਦੀ ਛੋੜ /Bandi Chhor (one who frees from prison) and we celebrate ਬੰਦੀ ਛੋੜ ਦਿਵਸ /Bandi Chhor Diwas remembering this event.



Bandi Chhor Diwas



The image above represents the kaliyan of Guru Hargobind Ji's robe. Cut the rectangles that have words to describe the qualities that Guru Ji portrayed during this time and paste them on the kaliyan of his robe. Feel free to color in and decorate the kaliyan with colors, stickers, or other materials.

Kind	Loving	Righteous	Wise
ਦਯਾ (Daya)	ਪ੍ਰੀਤ (Preet)	ਧਰਮ (Dharam)	ਸੁਜਾਨ (Sujaan)
Compassionate	Caring	Great Leader	Problem Solver

