

Topic: Why is the Torah so important to Jewish people?

Year 5: KS2

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What should I already know?

- Pupils will know what it means to be a Jew in Britain today.
- Pupils will be able to identify and name examples of what Jews have to do in their families and at Mandir to show their faith.
- Pupils should be able to describe some ways in which Jews express their faith.

RE skills

Making sense of the text
Understanding the impact
Making connections

Diagram



Vocabulary

Judaism	the religion of the Jews
Sabbath	Holy day for Jews
Torah	Jewish holy book
Synagogue	a Jewish place of worship
Ten commandments	Ten important life rules for Jews given to Moses by God.
Cantor	Leader of prayer in a synagogue

What will I know by the end of this unit?

- Identify and explain Jewish beliefs about God.
- Give examples of some texts that say what God is like and explain how Jewish people interpret them.
- Make clear connections between Jewish beliefs about the Torah and how Jews use and treat it.
- Make clear connections between Jewish commandments and how Jews live.
- Give evidence and examples to show how Jewish people put their beliefs into practice in different ways.
- Make clear connections between Jewish beliefs studied and explain how and why they are important to Jewish people today.
- Consider and weigh up the value of tradition, ritual, community, study and worship in the lives of Jews today.

Related Reads

Ten best Jewish children's stories by Daniel Sperber

The Children's book of Jewish holidays by Artsroll

The illustrated Jewish Bible for children by DK Publishing

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Question	Answer
What is the importance of the Torah?	
What do Jews believe about God?	
How is the Torah treated? Why?	
Name 2 Jewish commandments. How do they impact on how Jews live?	
Describe one of the traditions followed by Jews.	