

Bishop Bronescombe C of E Primary School

RE UNIT: How do festivals and family life show what matters to Jewish people??

Year 3/4



By the end of the unit, you should be able to:

Make sense of belief:

- Identify some Jewish beliefs about God, sin and forgiveness and describe what they mean
- Make clear links between the story of the Exodus and Jewish beliefs about God and his relationship with the Jewish people
- Offer informed suggestions about the meaning of the Exodus story for Jews today

Understand the impact:

- Make simple links between Jewish beliefs about God and his people and how Jews live (e.g. through celebrating forgiveness, salvation and freedom at festivals)
- Describe how Jews show their beliefs through worship in festivals, both at home and in wider communities

Make connections:

- Raise questions and suggest answers about whether it is good for Jews and everyone else to remember the past and look forward to the future
- Make links with the value of personal reflection, saying sorry, being forgiven, being grateful, seeking freedom and justice in the world today, including pupils' own lives, and giving good reasons for their ideas.



Special Places for Jews

Jewish people go to a **synagogue** to worship. Men and women sit separately in some **synagogues**. The most important part of the **synagogue** is the **Ark**. This is where the **Torah** is kept. The **Torah** is treated with great respect. Jews are not allowed to touch it.

Main Beliefs



Jews believe in one God. They also try to live by the **Ten Commandments**.

They include using God's name with respect, remembering **the Sabbath**, respecting your parents and not lying or stealing.



Jews believe God gave the **Ten Commandments** to Moses.

Jewish Symbols

		
A tallit is a special prayer shawl used by Jewish men to pray.	A kippah is a special cap worn by Jewish men and boys to show respect to God.	The Star of David is the symbol of the Jewish community.

The Sabbath

The Sabbath lasts from sundown on Friday to sundown on Saturday. Jews celebrate as a family. They enjoy a special meal with prayers and songs.



Key Vocabulary

Ten Commandments	Ten important life rules for Jews given to Moses by God.
the Sabbath	The holy day for Jews.
pilgrimage	A special religious journey.
synagogue	Place of worship for Jewish people.
rabbi	Jewish religious leader and teacher.
Ark	The place where the Torah is kept in a synagogue .
Torah	The Jewish holy book.
Hebrew	A language used by Jewish people.