



Judaism

Together, we will find out where Judaism originated, about special places linked to Judaism and about key festivals in Jewish life. Also, we will learn about symbols in Judaism, the Jewish holy book and the main beliefs held by Jews.

Key Questions

- How might you recognise a synagogue?
- Why do men wear special clothes whilst praying?
- Why do you think it is an honour to read the Torah?
- Why is 'shul' a good name for a synagogue?

Key Knowledge

- Who founded Judaism and where.
- The main beliefs in Judaism.
- The places which are special to Jews.
- The special Jewish festivals, Passover in particular.
- What the Jewish Holy Book is and how it is used.
- Jewish symbols, with a focus on the Star of David.

Key Vocabulary

The Ten Commandments: Ten important life rules for Jews given to Moses by God.

Sabbath: The holy day for Jews.

Pilgrimage: A special religious journey.

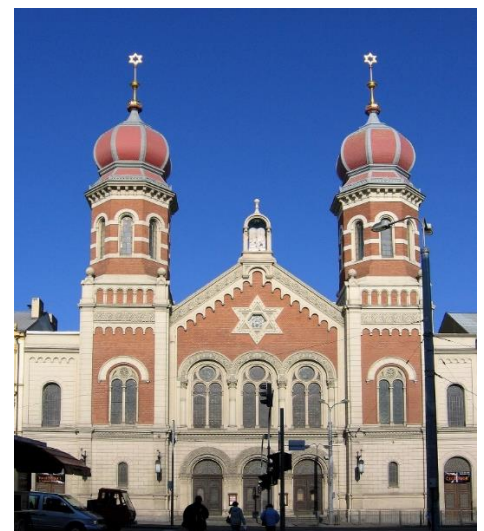
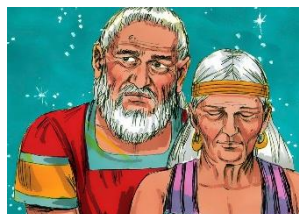
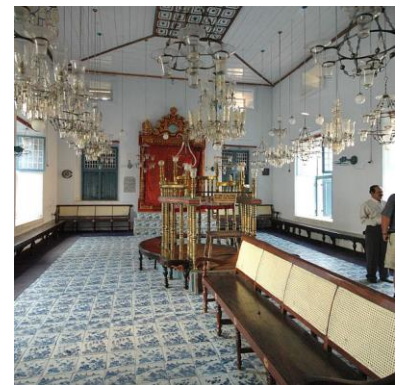
Synagogue: Place of worship for Jewish people.

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.



Questions of Meaning and Purpose:

- What does it mean to be Jewish?
- What are the similarities and differences between Catholicism and Judaism?