



Unit of work:

How do Jews show faith through practices and celebrations?

Year group:

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Prior learning:

- The Torah is the holy text
- Jewish people believe in one God
- Jews believe that God created the world
- Jews have 613 Mitzvots (Commandments) to follow

RE Skills to develop:

- I can ask and respond to questions about what communities do, and why.
- I can identify what difference belonging to a community might make.
- I notice and respond sensitively to some similarities between different religions and worldviews.

Knowledge/skills

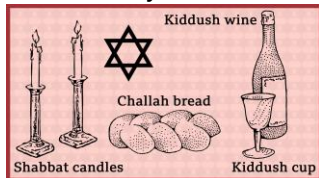
How do Jews remember Shabbat?

The Jewish day of rest, *Shabbat* in Hebrew, begins on Friday at sundown and ends on Saturday at nightfall. At the Friday night dinner, Jewish families transition from their everyday lives to a more spiritual time. Tables are elegantly set and families often sing traditional songs, engage in conversation, and share inspiring thoughts.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/clips/z3hvr82>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ucEIPOxR-bs>

What is the symbolism of the Shabbat meal?



How do Jewish families and their communities celebrate Hanukkah?

Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday which celebrates the victory of the Maccabees over the larger Assyrian army. It also celebrates a miracle that happened during this time, where just a day's supply of oil allowed the menorah in the rededicated Temple in Jerusalem to remain lit for eight days.

<https://kids.kiddle.co/Hanukkah>

Vocabulary and definitions

Word	Definition
5 Fingers	Judaism, Jews, Torah, Hebrew, Synagogue.
Shabbat	The Jewish day of rest. Families share a special meal to remember the Earth was created in 7 days.
Mezuzah	Metal or wooden prayer holder placed on each doorway (not toilet!). Contains the Shema. Jews touch it to remember God.
Shema	Jewish prayer which is held inside the mezuzah.
Purim	Jewish holiday to remember the Jews being saved from Haman. Celebrated with music, food, drink, costumes and dance.
Hanukkah	Festival of lights. Celebrates the Jews taking back the temple for God.
Esther	A beautiful Jewish lady who became Queen of Persia. She saved the Jews from being harmed by being brave and honest.
Bravery	Having the strength to face something or someone dangerous, scary or difficult.
Honesty	To speak and act truthfully.
Respect	A positive feeling shown towards someone or something important.
Holy	Something very special because it is connected to God.
Special	Someone or something different from normal, more important than other things or people.

Significant people



Artefacts and symbols

