



KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER: RE Year 2 Block 5 - Judaism

Key Vocabulary		Diagram / Visual	'Sticky' Knowledge
Sabbath	The holy day for Jews.	<p style="text-align: center;">Items found in a Jewish home</p>	<p>Sabbath</p> <p>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.</p>
Ark	The place where the Torah is kept in a synagogue.		<p>Hebrew</p> <p>Hebrew is the special language used by Jewish People. The Torah is written in Hebrew and Jews learn to read it.</p>
Star of David	The star of David is the symbol of the Jewish community and is named after King David of ancient Israel.		
Seder plate	Is a special plate containing symbolic foods eaten at the Passover Seder.		
Chanukah	Is known as the festival of lights which lasts for eight days.	Important Facts	
Synagogue	A place of worship for Jewish people.	<p>What is Judaism?</p> <p>Judaism is one of the world's six major religions and was founded by Abraham over 4,000 years ago. Jews believe that God is the Creator of all life.</p>	
The menorah candle	The oldest symbol in Judaism is the Menorah. The seven branches represent the seven days of the week.	<p>Beliefs</p> <p>Jews believed in one God. They also try to live by the Ten Commandments. Jews believe God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses.</p>	
Torah	The holy book for Jews. It is considered so special that nobody is allowed to touch it so a special pointer called a yad is used when reading it.	<p>Shabbat</p> <p>Is the seventh day of the Jewish week and is the day of rest. It can also be known as the Sabbath day.</p>	
The Mezuzah	Is a scroll which Jewish people keep inside a case. It is placed on doorframes to constantly remind Jewish people of God's presence.	<p>Place of worship</p> <p>Jewish people go to a synagogue to worship. Men and women sit separate 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</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Seder Plate</p> <p>Beitzah - hardboiled egg symbolises the festival offerings brought to the Holy Temple.</p> <p>Zeroa - shank bone symbolises the lamb sacrificed at the Holy Temple in ancient times.</p> <p>Karpas - vegetable such as parsley, onion or potato is dipped in salt water and symbolises tears.</p> <p>Charoset - mix of apple, nuts, spices and wine symbolises bricks and mortar to show the hard work of a slave.</p> <p>Maror - bitter herbs (horseradish) symbolises the bitterness of slavery in Egypt.</p> <p>Chazeret - bitter vegetable (celery or lettuce) symbolises the bitterness of slavery.</p>