

Religions Pack

Judaism - Text

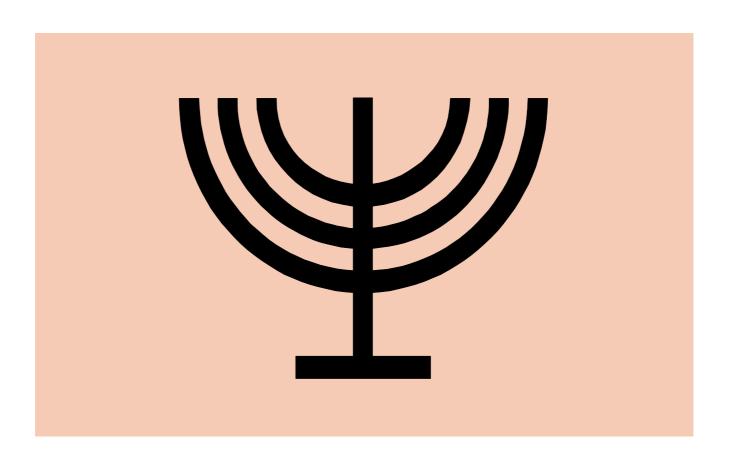
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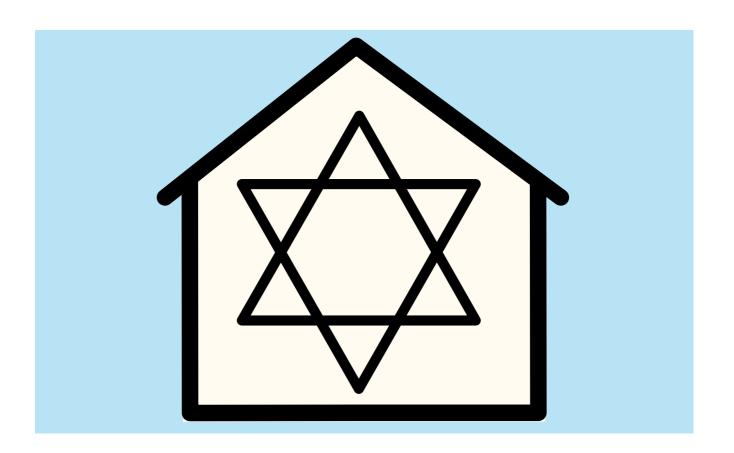


The Jewish religion is called Judaism.

It began in the Middle East 3,500 years ago.

Judaism has about 15 million followers today.

It is the tenth largest religion in the world.



Jews worship in a temple called a Synagogue.

Synagogues have a large hall for prayer.

The front faces towards Jerusalem and has an Ark.

Inside the Ark are the sacred scrolls of the Torah.

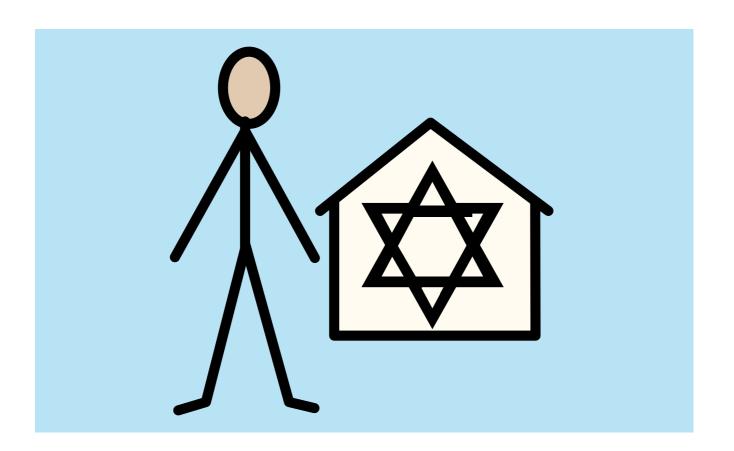


The Torah is part of the Jewish Bible.

Laws and teachings of Judaism come from the Torah.

The Torah contains instructions about living well.

The Talmud contains peoples writings about the Torah.

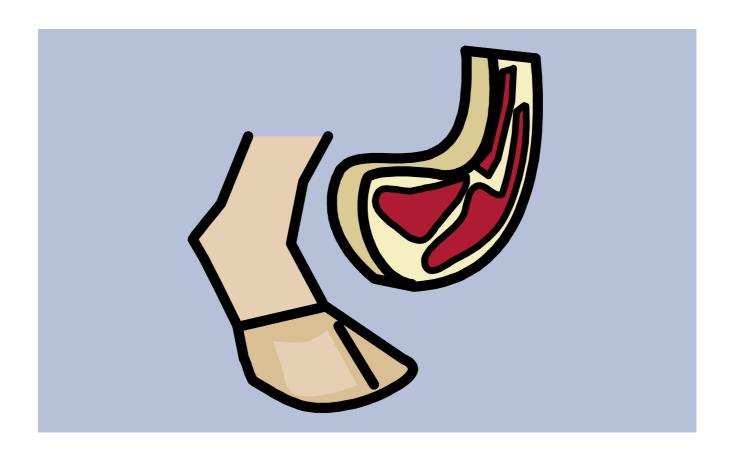


A Jewish leader is called a Rabbi.

The name Rabbi means teacher.

Rabbis are qualified to decide on Jewish law.

Rabbis give advice to Jewish people.

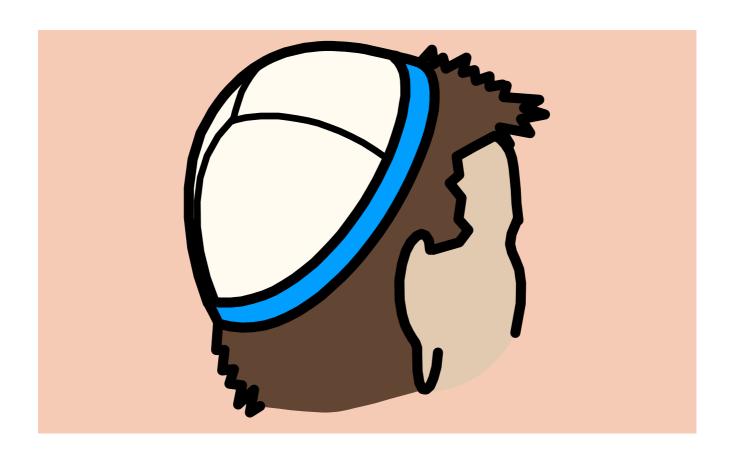


Jews eat special foods prepared by special rules.

Foods that a Jew can eat are called kosher foods.

Kosher food is prepared in a strict way.

There are many non-kosher foods Jews can't eat.

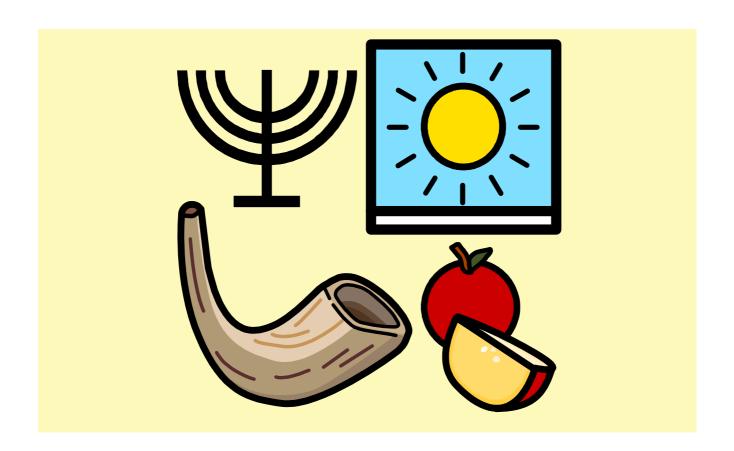


Jewish people often wear special clothing.

The tallit is a special prayer shawl.

The kippah is a hat worn by Jewish men.

Married Jewish women often cover their hair.



There are many important holidays in Judaism.

Passover is a special celebration lasting a week.

Rosh Hashanah is another important holy day.

Hanukkah is celebrated near to christmas time.



Jews have a day of rest called the Sabbath.

The Sabbath starts Friday night and ends Saturday night.

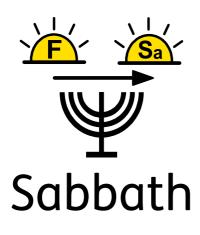
It is a day to worship God and be with family.

Jews stop working and pray to God.





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