

# Why is the Torah important to Jewish people?

Key Vocabulary	
<b>Judaism</b>	The religion developed among ancient Hebrews.
<b>The Torah</b>	In Judaism, the law of God as revealed to Moses and recorded in the first five books of the Hebrew scriptures.
<b>Jewish Commandments</b>	The important laws of the Jews which tell the Jewish people how they should live.
<b>Tradition</b>	The handing down of information, beliefs, or customs from one generation to another.
<b>Diversity</b>	Diversity is the range of human differences.
<b>Orthodox</b>	Following or conforming to the traditional or generally accepted rules or beliefs of a religion, philosophy, or practice.
<b>Sefer Torah</b>	A handwritten scroll by a high Hebrew priest which copies the original scripture.

**Prior learning:**  
 Children will have learnt about Jewish festivals and the importance behind them.  
 Children will have learnt about who is Jewish and how they live.

## Big Ideas Key Concepts



God



The Torah

Key Learning Assessment		
I can...	✓	X
Identify and explain Jewish beliefs about God.		
Give examples of some texts that say what God is like and explain how Jewish people interpret them.		
Make clear connections between Jewish beliefs about the Torah, thinking about how they treat and use it.		
Make clear connections between Jewish commandments and how Jews live.		
Give evidence and examples to show how Jewish people put their beliefs into practice in different ways.		
Make connections between Jewish beliefs studied and explain how and why they are important to Jewish people today.		
Consider the value of tradition, ritual, community, study and worship in the lives of Jewish people today. Detail how they are or are not valuable to people who are not Jewish.		