

Topic: Who is Jewish and what do they believe?

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The religion of the Jewish people is Judaism.

The Star of David is a symbol of Judaism.

Most Jews believe that God is one, creator and cares for all people.

The Shema is a Jewish prayer.

Jews worship in a synagogue.

Shabbat is the Jewish day of rest.



Some Jewish people write G-d, because they do not want the name of God to be erased or defaced.

Good to know

Preparation for Shabbat can include lighting candles, blessing the children, drinking wine, eating challah bread, having a family meal and rest. Some Jewish people call it the 'day of delight', and celebrate God's creation (God rested on the seventh day).

Vocabulary

Synagogue - a Jewish house of worship.

Mezuzah - a small scroll placed in a case fixed to the door.

Menorah - a special candle holder with 9 candles.

Hanukkah - a Jewish festival.

Torah - Hebrew bible - including the story of creation and the 10 commandments (laws of God).