

# Wellesley Park Primary School – Religions Education

**Topic: Unit 1: What do Jewish people believe about G-d and the Covenant and Torah?**  
**Links with Passover**

**Year 3 Spring term**

## Essential Core (Summary Of Unit)

- I will learn that God made a **covenant agreement** with Abraham
- I will understand God promised to be the father of a great nation, and that people of Israel were **enslaved** in Egypt
- I will learn that God sent 10 **plagues**; the **Pharaoh** released the Jews; this hasty departure is known as the **Exodus**.
- I will learn about the **Passover** festival; the **Seder** meal, the Exodus and **symbolic** food.
- I will understand that this as a key event in Jewish history because it shows: (a) God was at work in the events of history (b) they have been chosen to have a special relationship with God
- I will recall the story of the giving of the 10 **commandments** to **Moses**: which were the rules that Jews had to live by

## What Should I Already Know?

- Jews believe in one God that created the universe
- The Jewish name for God is **Adonai** which means Lord, Jews use the name with great respect
- Jewish people write the word God, but never say God because of its sacredness.
- A **Synagogue** is a Jewish **holy** place.
- The Star of David is a symbol of Judaism and it represents the 6 days of creation
- Jews live all over the world, but Israel is considered very special
- **Pesah** (Passover) is the most important Jewish festival
- David was a great king and he made Jerusalem the most important Jewish place
- Jewish people have a day of rest on the **Sabbath**

## Important Facts

- A **covenant** is a two way relationship
- The same and similar stories can be found in both the Christian and Jewish religion
- Jewish people believe that God saved them from being slaves in Egypt
- God is almighty with no limits to his power, he loves and helps those who believe in him
- Moses helped the Jews cross the Red sea by separating it, this allowed them to escape from slavery
- Passover festival is celebrated around the time of Easter
- Jewish people have a special meal and use a plate called a **Sedar plate**.
- Moses had the 10 Jewish commandments written on two stone tablets
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## Vocabulary

<b>Hebrew</b>	The language used in the <b>Tenakh</b> (the 24 books of the Jewish Bible).	
<b>Star of David</b>	A Jewish symbol for the 6 days of Creation	
<b>Sedar Plate</b>	A special plate used during the Passover meal	
<b>Matzah</b>	A flat cracker like bread	
<b>Pesah</b>	Also known as Passover and it celebrates Jews escaping from Egypt	