

**Judaism revision plan: Year 10 end of year exams 2025**

<b>Week beginning</b>	<b>Judaism</b>
21/04	<p><b>Judaism and covenants- Abraham's covenant and Sinai covenant</b></p> <p><b>Judaism: covenants:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is a covenant and the importance of covenants within Judaism</li> <li>• The key promises of the covenant with Abraham</li> <li>• The importance of Abraham's covenant for Jews</li> <li>• The mark of Abraham's covenant- Circumcision</li> <li>• The events and terms of the covenant at Mount Sinai</li> <li>• The Ten commandments and their significance for Jews</li> <li>• How might both covenants influence Jews today?</li> </ul> <p><b>The nature of God in Judaism: God as One, God as creator</b></p> <p><b><u>God as one</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What do Jews believe about God as one?</li> <li>• The Shema- how does it express Jewish beliefs about God as one?</li> <li>• Similar beliefs between Judaism and Christianity about God as one (Monotheism)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>God as creator</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish beliefs about God as creator</li> <li>• Different Jewish beliefs on God as creator- differences between orthodox and reform</li> <li>• Similar beliefs between Judaism and Christianity about God as creator</li> </ul>
28/04	<p><b><u>The nature of God in Judaism: God as Shekinah, lawgiver (mitzvot)-</u></b></p> <p><b><u>God as lawgiver/mitzvot</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish beliefs about God as lawgiver</li> <li>• The 613 mitzvot- mitzvot between God and man and mitzvot between man and man</li> <li>• Different attitudes to the mitzvot- how reform and Orthodox Jews interpret them differently</li> <li>• The relationship between mitzvot and free will- do they contradict/restrict free-will?</li> </ul> <p><b><u>God as Shekinah</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish beliefs about God as divine presence</li> <li>• Biblical examples of God as Shekinah</li> <li>• The shekinah as the female aspect of God.</li> <li>• The importance of the Shekinah for Jews today- example when they come together in prayer</li> </ul>
05/05	<p><b><u>Nature of God: God as judge, Jewish beliefs about the afterlife, Jewish beliefs about the Messiah (Online session)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>God as judge</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish beliefs about God as the judge</li> <li>• How do Jews understand God as a merciful judge? Genesis 3</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Jewish beliefs about the afterlife</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish beliefs about life after death including judgement and resurrection</li> <li>• Sheol, Gan Eden and Olam Ha Ba</li> <li>• Why are there different beliefs on the afterlife? Why do Jews focus on this life?</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Jewish beliefs about the Messiah</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish beliefs about the importance of the Messiah- including scripture</li> <li>• Different Jewish beliefs about the Messiah and the Messianic era</li> <li>• How do Jewish and Christian beliefs about the Messiah differ?</li> </ul>

12/05	<p><b>Judaism beliefs</b>  <b>Judaism and morality; Key morals principles in Judaism, Pikuach nefesh and sanctity of life</b>  <b><u>Key moral principles in Judaism</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key moral principles in Judaism: justice</li> <li>• Key moral principles in Judaism: Healing the world</li> <li>• Key moral principles in Judaism: Charity- Maimonides level of giving</li> <li>• Key moral principles in Judaism: Kindness to others</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Pikuach nefesh and sanctity of life</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish belief in the sanctity of life and the importance of this belief</li> <li>• Key moral principles in Judaism: Healing the world</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Judaism practices: festivals</u></b></p> <p><b>Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The origins of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur</li> <li>• How are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur celebrated by Jews in Britain today</li> <li>• The importance of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur for Jews.</li> </ul> <p><b>Pesach</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The origins of Pesach</li> <li>• How is Pesach celebrated by Jews today?</li> <li>• The importance/significance of Pesach</li> </ul> <p><b>Revisit week 1 topics</b></p>
19/05	<p><b>Judaism practices: Worship in the synagogue and worship at home</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The synagogue and its importance.</li> <li>• The design and religious features of synagogues including reading platform (bimah), ark (aron hakodesh), ever burning light (ner tamid) and associated practices; differences between Orthodox and Reform synagogues.</li> <li>• Public acts of worship including:</li> <li>• synagogue services in both Orthodox and Reform synagogues</li> <li>• the significance of prayer, including the Amidah, the standing prayer.</li> <li>• Shabbat in the home and synagogue and its significance.</li> <li>• Worship in the home and private prayer.</li> <li>• The written law (Tenakh) and the oral law (Talmud), and their study, use and significance in daily life</li> </ul> <p><b>Revisit week 2 topics</b></p>
26/05	<p><b>Judaism practices (online session)</b>  Shabbat, Dietary laws, Family life- brit milah, bar mitzvah, marriage, mourning</p> <p><b>Shabbat</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.What is Shabbat</li> <li>2.Why is Shabbat important for Jews?</li> <li>3.How do Jews celebrate Shabbat both in the synagogue and at home</li> <li>4.Orthodox/reform Jews and how they celebrate Shabbat differently</li> </ol> <p><b>Dietary laws</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.What are the dietary laws?</li> <li>2.How do Kosher laws impact Jews daily life- e.g. layout of kitchen etc</li> <li>3.How do orthodox/reform Jews approach dietary laws?</li> <li>4.The importance and significance of dietary laws in Judaism</li> </ol> <p><b>Brit Milah</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.How is the Brit Milah ceremony celebrated?</li> <li>2.How does Brit Milah link to the covenant with Abraham?</li> <li>3.Other practices associated with birth for girls including Brit Bat</li> </ol> <p><b>Coming of age ceremonies (Bar/Bat-mitzvah)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.How do Jews celebrate bar/bat mitzvah ceremonies?</li> <li>2.Difference between Orthodox and reform celebrations</li> <li>3.Meaning and importance of coming of age ceremonies for Jews</li> </ol> <p><b>Revisit week 3 topics</b></p>

02/06	<p><b>Judaism practices</b></p> <p><b>Marriage</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.What happens during a Jewish wedding ceremony- the significance of different marriage rituals</li><li>2.The importance of the marriage ceremony for Jews</li><li>3.How orthodox/reform celebrate marriage ceremony- what's differences?</li><li>4.Key evaluation- does the marriage ceremony show equality/inequality between genders?</li></ol> <p><b>Mourning rituals</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.What are the different periods of mourning and why are they significant?</li><li>2.The importance of mourning rituals and how they reflect Jewish beliefs about Life after death</li><li>3.Arguments for/against- are the mourning rituals more beneficial for the living or the dead?</li><li>4.How is a funeral celebrated and what's the significance?</li></ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><u><a href="#">Review all topics</a></u></p>
-------	---

**For each topic you should review class notes, create your own revision mind-maps using the revision notes you have been given, clarify and test understanding of your mind-maps (using question and answer flash-cards/brain dumps) and practice some past-paper questions (You have been given a booklet of questions that you can use). Seek feedback in RE clinic on past-paper questions.**