



Key Concepts:

Covenant, Law, Interpretation

Key Objectives:

Explore Jewish beliefs about God and the significance of the Torah.

Understand how diversity in interpretation shapes Jewish law and ethics.

Appreciate the central role of Torah in Jewish life.

Vocabulary:

God

Personal beliefs

Torah

Holy text

Scroll

Laws and teachings

Progressive

Orthodox



Who is God in Judaism? How do Jewish people view God differently?

What is the Torah? How do Jewish people live by the Torah?

The most holy Jewish book is the *Torah* (the first five books of the Hebrew Bible). Others include Judaism's oral tradition, the written form of which is known as the Talmud. The Torah (or teachings) contains the five books revealed to Moses by God on Mount Sinai.

1. Genesis
2. Exodus
3. Leviticus
4. Numbers
5. Deuteronomy

The *Torah* is stored inside the Ark. No one is allowed to touch the Torah, so a special pointer called a *yad* is used to follow words when reading it.