



GCSE RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Study of a World Faith - Judaism

Route A and Route B - Component 3



GCSE Religious Studies Route A Component 3 Judaism

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Beliefs and Teachings	Covered in class or as homework	I'm not sure	l'm getting there	I've got it ©	Links to other topics	Key words linked to this topic	Possible sources of wisdom and authority
The nature of God							
God as: One/Creator/Law-giver/Judge							
The teachings about God in the Shema							
Shekinah (nature and significance of God's Divine Presence)							
Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.							
Messiah (Mashiach)							
The nature and role of Messiah in Orthodox Judaism							
The nature and role of Messiah in Reform Judaism							
Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.							
Covenant							
The meaning and significance of the Abrahamic Covenant							
The meaning and significance of the Cove- nant with Moses							
The importance of the idea of a 'Promised Land' in both Covenants							
The importance of the Ten Commandments							
Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above							

Life on earth				
 Beliefs and Teachings about sanctity of life (Pikuach Nefesh) in Judaism 				
The relationship between free will and duties to God and other people with particular fo- cus on the 613 Mitzvot				
 Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. 				
The afterlife				
Beliefs and Teachings about life after death (death/judgement/resurrection/soul/focus on moral behaviour and its relationship to the after-life etc.) in Orthodox Judaism				
Beliefs and Teachings about life after death (death/judgement/resurrection/soul/focus on moral behaviour and its relationship to the after-life etc.) in Reform Judaism				
Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.				

Practices	Covered in class or as homework	I'm not sure	l'm getting there	l've got it ♥	Links to other topics	Key words linked to this topic	Possible sources of wisdom and authority
Worship: practices in Britain and elsewhere							
The nature and importance of synagogue services, including Shabbat services, prayer and Amidah in Orthodox synagogues							
The nature and importance of synagogue services, including Shabbat services, prayer and Amidah in Reform synagogues							
Worship in the home, including Siddur/recit- ing Shema & Modeh Ani, mezuzah.							
The importance of preparing for and celebrating Shabbat in the home.							
Items worn for worship: tallith/tefillin/kippah							
Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.							
The Synagogue							
 Features of different synagogues in Britain: bimah/aron hakodesh/Torah scrolls/ner tamid/seating/minyan 							
Worship, social and community functions of Orthodox synagogues in Britain							
Worship, social and community functions of Reform synagogues in Britain							
Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.							

Festivals: practices in Britain and elsewhere				
The origins, meanings and celebrations of:				
Rosh Hashanah				
Yom Kippur				
Pesach				
• Sukkot				
Diversity of practice between different Jewish traditions in how these festivals are observed				
 Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above. 				

Rituals					
	The role and importance of Brit Milah: Covenant/identity/features of the ceremony.				
	Bar Mitzvah: Law/personal responsibilities/ features of the ceremony				
I	Different Orthodox and Reform views of Bat Mitzvah and Bat Chayil. Features of the ceremonies				
• 1	Marriage: features of the ceremony				
	Mourning rituals: onan/kaddish/sheva/yar- zheit				
• 1	Role of the Chevra Kaddisha				
	Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.				
Daily life	е				
	The significance of the Tenakh in daily Jew- sh life				
	The significance of the Talmud in daily Jew- sh life				
ı	Dietary laws: kosher/treyfah/prohibition of milk and meat/requirements of a kosher kitchen				
	Keeping kosher in Britain: benefits/challeng- es				
	Teachings in the sources of authority relating to the above.				