


Key Facts:		Key Beliefs:	Key Practices:
Symbol		<p><b>The Shema:</b> Statement of Faith - 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord your G-d, the Lord is One.'</p> <p><b>G-d:</b> Jews do not write the name of G-d in full so that it cannot be defaced or destroyed.</p> <p><b>Covenant:</b> The agreement between G-d and the Jewish people, to worship and obey the command of the one true G-d.</p> <p><b>The Promised Land:</b> The land of Israel.</p> <p><b>The Torah:</b> The Law/sacred writing, divinely revealed to Moses on Mount Sinai.</p>	<p><b>Worship in the Synagogue:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ner Tamid</b> - ever burning lamp symbolises that G-d is always present.</li> <li>• <b>Aron Hakodesh</b> - the Ark/cupboard where the Torah scrolls are kept.</li> <li>• <b>Menorah</b> - seven branched candelabra.</li> <li>• <b>Bimah</b> - raised platform/reading desk where the Torah is read during services.</li> <li>• <b>Sefer Torah</b> - Torah scrolls.</li> </ul> <p><b>Bat Mitzvah/Bat Chayil:</b> Daughter of the Commandment/Daughter of Worth - the Rite of Passage from childhood to adulthood for Jewish girls at age 12.</p> <p><b>Bar Mitzvah:</b> Son of the Commandment - the Rite of Passage from childhood to adulthood for Jewish boys at age 13.</p> <p><b>Shabbat:</b> The day of rest from sunset on Friday, until the first three stars appear in the sky on Saturday evening. Lighting candles, Friday night dinner, Worship in the Synagogue, no work, rest and relaxation, and Havdalah at the end of Shabbat.</p> <p><b>Laws of Kashrut:</b> Kosher Food Laws - not eating pork or shell fish, and not mixing meat and milk (dairy) foods.</p>
Followers	Jews		
How many gods?	One God		
Holy Book	The Torah		
Place of Worship	Synagogue	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Philosophical &amp; Ethical Issues</u></b></p> <p><b>Anti-Semitism:</b> Hostility and hatred towards Jews, just because they are Jewish. Features of Anti-Semitism,</p> <p><b>The Holocaust:</b> Examining and responding to what happened during the Holocaust.</p> <p><b>Modern Anti-Semitism in the UK:</b> Examining the rise in Anti-Semitism in the UK in the last decade.</p> <p><b>The Problem of Evil:</b> If God is all loving and all powerful, why does evil exist in the world? Cruel World Argument, Dualism &amp; the Free Will Argument. G-d and the Holocaust.</p>	
Key Festivals	Pesach Rosh Hashanah Yom Kippur Hanukkah		
Other interesting facts ...	The Torah is the first five books of the Old Testament.		

