Component 3 A Study of a World Faith—Judaism: Practices

1) Worship: Practice in Britain and Elsewhere

- 1. Orthodox and Reform synagogue services.
- What is Shabbat? How is it celebrated? (Exodus 20:8-10)
- 3. Prayer: Why is it important? How is it carried out?
- 4. What is the Shema? The Amidah The Muzuza?
- 5. Daily prayer—Modeh Ani, Chumash and Siddur.
- 6. How is Shabbat celebrated in the home by Orthodox and Reform Jews? (Exodus 20:8-10)
- 7. Religious clothing—What is the Tallit gadol, the kip-pah or yarmulkah amd Tefillin?

2) The Synagogue

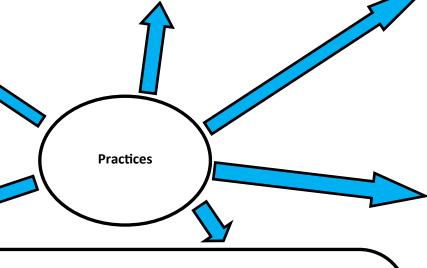
- 1. What is a synagogue? How is it used by the community?
- 2. The features of a synagogue. Magen David—Star of David. Synagogue should face Jerusalem. No pictures or statues. Aron Ha-Kodesh—The Ark. The Torah Scrolls—Sefer Torah. The Ner Tamid and Menorah—Everlasting light and the seven branched candlestick. The Bimah—raised platform for the scrolls. Women's seating

3) Key Words / Concepts

- Synagogue Torah
- Shekinah
 Mitzvot
- ShabbatMessiah
- Kosher Covenant

6) Festivals: Practices in Britain and Elsewhere

- Know the origins of, meaning of and how Jews celebrate the following festivals:
- Rosh Hashanah—New Year
- Yom Kippur—Day of Atonement
- Sukkot
- Pesach: Exodus 12:14 (Passover)
- The Seder Meal
- Know the differences and similarities amongst Orthodox and Reform Jews when they practice these festivals.



5) Daily Life

- 1. What is the Tenakh, the Oral Torah, the Mishnah, the Talmud, the Midrash?
- 2. What is the importance of the Tenakh and Talmud in everyday Jewish life.

Dietary Laws and Their Importance

- 1. What is Kosher and Trefah?
- 2. Why and how do Jews separate milk and meat?
- 3. What are the requirements of a Kosher kitchen? Read Leviticus11:1-23.
- 4. Is it easy or hard keeping Kosher in Britain? Benefits and challenges.

4) Rituals

- The role and importance of Brit Milah: Covenant identity and the main parts of the ceremony. What additional ceremony do Orthodox
 Jews observe for a first born son?
- 2. Bar Mitzvah: Religious law and personal responsibilities. What are the main features of the ceremony?
- 3. What are the Orthodox and Reform views regarding Bat Mitzvah and Bat Chayil?
- 4. How are these two ceremonies carried out?
- 5. Marriage: Genesis 2:24.
 What happens at a Jewish wedding? The marriage contract. The Marriage Chuppah. Orthodox and Reform. Part 1 Kiddushin, Part 2 Nisuin.