




<b>Religious Education</b> <b>Year 4 Summer 1</b>	<b>Enquiry Question: What is the best way for a Jewish person to show commitment to God?</b>	<b>Religion:</b> <b>Judaism</b>
In this enquiry, we will look at how and why Jewish people show commitment to God.		

<b>What we will learn:</b>	<b>Link to other aspects of belief</b>	<b>Personal connection</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>We all make commitments in our lives</b> (religious or non religious). There are some activities, responsibilities and commitments that we are not allowed to make until we are the right age.</li> </ul> <p><u>As a Jewish boy or girl grows up they are expected to show commitment and take responsibility for their faith. There are lots of ways Jewish people show commitment to God:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Following the <b>Ten Commandments</b></li> <li>• Prayer and worship the <b>Synagogue</b></li> <li>• Following <b>Kashrut</b></li> <li>• Celebrating <b>Passover</b> with a <b>Seder</b> meal</li> <li>• <b>Shabbat</b> - a 'day of rest' to think about God.</li> <li>• <b>Bar Mitzvah.</b> <b>Bat Mitzvah.</b></li> <li>• <b>Tzedakah &amp; Mitzvah Day</b></li> <li>• <b>Shema prayer</b> (found inside the <b>Mezuzah</b>).</li> <li>• The beliefs behind the practices are in the <b>Torah</b>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jewish charities including World Jewish Relief.</li> </ul> <div data-bbox="1176 491 1456 702" style="text-align: center;">  </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Many Jewish people see their relationship with God as a covenant (agreement/contract).</li> </ul> <p>Jewish belief is that the Torah was given to Moses by God. The teachings of the Torah influence all aspects of Jewish life including prayer.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What am I committed to now?</li> <li>• Is there anything I was committed to that I am not anymore?</li> <li>• What will I be committed to in the future?</li> <li>• What could I do to help others?</li> </ul>

## Keywords and definitions

## Impact on believer/daily life

A Jewish Family Celebrating a **Bar and Bat Mitzvah**.



A Family Photo to Commemorate a Girl's Bat Mitzvah



**Tzedakah** is to do good deeds for the world or those who are less fortunate.



- Performing **Tzedakah** is a way of showing God that you are following his instructions and showing him and others respect.
- Environmental concerns are very important so the Tu B'Shevat tree planting ceremony is a way of trying to help the earth.

Reading from the **Torah** is a part of the Bar Mitzvah or Bat Mitzvah Ceremony. A **yad** is a pointer which is used to follow the words, rather than touching the Torah with hands.



Examples of Bar and Bat Mitzvah Invitations



**Mitzvah Day** is a day when Jewish people give their time to help others



<https://mitzvahday.org.uk/>



A man wearing a **kippah** and **tallit**.



**Shema** is one of the most important Jewish prayers.



The Shema can be found inside a **Mezuzah**. There is one on each door frame. When Jewish people pass the Mezuzah they kiss it.



## Home learning ideas/questions:

What could we do to help each other? What could we do to help others including family members, friends, neighbours and those far away? How are these beliefs and practises similar in my own religion, beliefs or life?

