

KEY VOCABULARY

Torah	the Jewish holy book
Exodus	mass departing of a group of people
Synagogue	a Jewish place of worship
Shabbat	day of rest (from sunset on Friday until sunset on Saturday)
Jew	a follower of the teachings of Judaism
Mezuzah	small parchment with verses from Deuteronomy, placed in a case and hung on a door frame

Key Questions

What is precious to us? What is precious to Jewish people?
What does a mezuzah remind Jewish people about?

How and why do Jewish people celebrate Shabbat?

What does the story of Chanukah make us think about? How do Jewish people think about miracles at Chanukah?

"There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your fellow Israelites who are poor and needy in your land."

- Deuteronomy (Devarim) 15:11.

Outcomes (Learning) Skills (Knowledge)

- Talk about how the mezuzah in the home reminds Jewish people about God.
- Talk about how Shabbat is a special day of the week for Jewish people and give some examples of what they might do to celebrate Shabbat.
- Re-tell a story that shows what Jewish people at the festival of Chanukah might think about God, suggesting what it means.
- Make links between some Jewish teachings and how Jewish people live.
- Express ideas about the value of times of reflection, thanksgiving, praise and remembrance, in the light of their learning about why Jewish people choose to celebrate in these ways.

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