



Key Knowledge



- The day of rest for Jewish people is called Shabbat and is celebrated on a Saturday.
- In Judaism God is called: Almighty / Eternal / the G-d of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. [Jewish people often write 'G-d' to avoid any disrespect to the Almighty.]
- The Jewish story of creation is found in the Torah in Genesis 1.
- Shabbat and creation are linked as it celebrates the seventh day of creation – the day of rest.
- There are different ways of speaking of G-d, and the idea of G-d is open to different views, and is a mysterious idea – but of huge importance to many people, including Jewish people.

Vocabulary

Jews: People who practice Judaism. **Jewish:** Belonging to the faith of Judaism.

The Torah: The Jewish Holy Book.

Ark: The special cupboard in the synagogue in which the Torah is kept safe.

Synagogue: The building where Jews gather to worship together.

Rabbi: A religious leader who leads services in the synagogue. **Hebrew:** The language that the Torah is written in.

Yad: A pointer used by the reader to follow the text during the Torah reading because it is forbidden to touch the parchment.

Shabbat: The Jewish weekly day of rest.

The Jewish Story of Creation is found in Genesis 1:



day one - heavens earth light



day two - sky



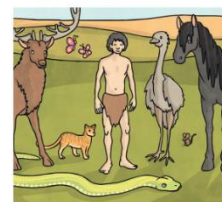
day three - land, water, plants



day four - sun, moon, stars



day five - fish, birds



day six - animals, man



day seven - rest, Sabbath God

Shabbat

The Shabbat is a holy day for Jewish people. Shabbat is Hebrew for Sabbath. It is a special day when Jewish people think about God and the importance of family. It begins at sunset on Friday night and ends at sunset on Saturday night. The Shabbat is a day of rest so all cooking and cleaning must be done before sunset on Friday.

