

## RE - Why is the Torah so important for Jewish people?



Identity and Community: People feel they belong to communities, their identity can be expressed through traditions, rituals and symbols.

## **Vocabulary**

- Torah: the Jewish Holy Book made of the five books of law.
- Sefer Torah: the scrolls containing the Torah which are kept in the ark in the synagogue.
- Orthodox: a worldview in Judaism following the traditional interpretation of Jewish law.
- Pesach (Passover): the festival remembering the Israelites leaving slavery in Egypt.
- Synagogue: the Jewish place of worship sometimes called shul.

Every synagogue will have a Sefer Torah contained in an ark.

The Torah will tell Jewish people what God allows them to do.

Orthodox Jewish people will follow what God has told them exactly in the Torah.

Pesach is a very important Jewish festival which can be celebrated differently by the different Jewish groups.

It is to celebrate the exodus of the Jewish people from their slavery in Ancient Egypt.



