JUDAISM Practices

KEY QUESTIONS

Worship: practices in Britain and elsewhere

- How do Orthodox Jews worship in the synagogue?
- How do Reform Jews worship in the synagogue?
- How do Jews worship in the home?

The Synagogue

- What are the features of a synagogue in Britain?
- How do British synagogues work to serve Jewish communities in Britain?

Rituals

- What is Brit Milah?
- What is Bar Mitzvah?
- What are the different views of Bat Mitzvah and Bat Chayil?
- What are the features of a Jewish marriage ceremony?
- How do Jews mourn for the dead?

Daily Life

- How are the Tenakh and the Talmud significant in Jewish daily life?
- How does a Jew keep Kosher in Britain?

Festivals: practices in Britain and elsewhere

- What is Rosh Hashanah?
- What is Yom Kippur?
- What is Pesach?
- What is Sukkot?
- Where are the differences in practice between different Jewish traditions?

JUDAISM Beliefs and Teachings

KEY QUESTIONS

The Nature of God

- What do Jews believe that God is like?
- What do Jews believe about God as a Law-Giver and Judge?
- What is Shekinah?
- Why is Shekinah important?

Messiah (Mashiach)

- What is the Mashiach?
- What do Orthodox Jews believe about the nature and role of the Messiah?
- What do different groups of Reform Jews believe about the nature and role of the Messiah?

Covenant

- What is the Abrahamic Covenant?
- What is the Covenant with Moses at Sinai?
- Why are the Ten Commandments important to Jews?

Life on Earth

- What do Jews believe about the sanctity of life?
- What are the 613 mitzvot?
- What is the relationship between the 613 mitzvot and free will?

The Afterlife

- What do we understand by life after death?
- What are Orthodox Jewish beliefs about life after death?
- What are Reform Jewish beliefs about life after death?