

## Judaism- Vocabulary List

Tier 2 Vocabulary		Tier 3 Vocabulary	
<b>Significant</b>	Important to be worthy of attention/ having a particular meaning	<b>Polytheism</b>	Belief in more than one god
<b>Importance</b>	The state or fact of being of great significance or value.	<b>Monotheism</b>	Belief in one God
<b>Origins</b>	Beginning of something	<b>Covenant</b>	An agreement between God and people
<b>Circumcision</b>	The removal of a baby boy's foreskin at the age of eight days in Judaism	<b>Tanakh</b>	The main Jewish scripture, including Torah, Nevi'im and Ketuvim.
<b>Sacrifice/ Sacrificed</b>	An act of slaughtering an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity.	<b>Mitzvot</b>	Jewish laws (613 in total); singular is mitzvah
<b>Laws</b>	The system of rules which a country or community recognizes as regulating the actions of its members and which it may enforce by the imposition of penalties.	<b>Torah</b>	Holiest scripture for Jews- book of teachings and laws
<b>Prophets</b>	Messengers of God	<b>Nevi'im</b>	Book of history and prophets
<b>Writings</b>	Books, stories, or other written works	<b>Ketuvim</b>	Book of Psalms and poetry
<b>Scroll</b>	A roll of parchment or paper for writing on	<b>Talmud</b>	A collection of teachings from rabbis giving information about the Torah
<b>Hebrew</b>	Language of the Jews	<b>Mishnah</b>	The early teachings of rabbis, which were passed on orally
<b>Eternal</b>	No beginning or end- has always been and will always be	<b>Midrash</b>	Jewish writings that include rabbi's interpretations of the Torah, Jewish law and moral issues
<b>Congregation</b>	People who attend a religious service	<b>Shema</b>	Most important Jewish prayer
<b>Community</b>	The condition of sharing or having certain attitudes and interests in common.	<b>Mezuzah</b>	A small box attached to doorposts in Jewish homes, containing the Shema
<b>Jerusalem</b>	A city in and the capital of Israel: an ancient holy city and a centre of pilgrimage for Jews, Christians and Muslims.	<b>Omnipotence</b>	God is all-powerful
<b>Commandments</b>	A divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments	<b>Omniscience</b>	God is all-knowing
<b>Divergent</b>	Tending to be different or develop in different directions.	<b>Omnipresence</b>	God is everywhere
<b>Sabbath</b>	A day of religious observance and abstinence from work, kept by Jews from Friday evening to Saturday evening, and by most Christians on Sunday	<b>Synagogue</b>	Jewish place of worship
<b>Cease</b>	Come or bring to an end	<b>Ark</b>	Cupboard in a synagogue where the Torah scrolls are stored
<b>Observance</b>	The practice of observing the requirements of law, morality, or ritual.	<b>Bimah</b>	The platform from where the Torah scrolls are read
		<b>Kashrut</b>	Jewish food laws
		<b>Kosher</b>	Food that is acceptable to eat; world means 'fit'
		<b>Trefah</b>	Food that Jews are forbidden to eat
		<b>Shabbat</b>	A day of rest and religious observance
		<b>Genesis</b>	First book of the Torah