

# WORD UP: JUDAISM

*Cut apart the cards below and match each Jewish term or concept to its definition or description.*

**Bar Mitzvah/  
Bat Mitzvah**

**Diaspora**

**halakhah**

**Israel**

**mitzvot**

**Pesach**

**rabbi**

**Rosh Hashanah**

**Shabbat**

**synagogue**

**Talmud**

**Tanak**

**Torah**

**Yom Kippur**

literally means “[son or daughter] of the commandment.” When Jewish youth turn 13 (boys) or 12 (girls), these ceremonies recognize them as adults who are responsible for keeping the commandments.

Jewish communities outside of the land of Israel

a particular way of life that involves adherence to the Jewish law

1. the name God gave to Jacob; 2. the nation formed by Jacob’s descendants; 3. the kingdom ruled by Saul, David, and Solomon; 4. the “Northern Kingdom” after Solomon’s death; 5. a nation in the Middle East founded in 1948

commandments; also can refer to good deeds

the Passover; the eight-day festival celebrating Israel’s liberation from slavery in Egypt

literally means “teacher”; an interpreter of the Torah and a spiritual leader in current-day Jewish communities

the Jewish New Year

the sabbath; from sundown Friday until sundown Saturday

where Jews gather for worship and study

a written compilation of oral traditions, commentaries, and rabbinic teaching; consists of the Mishnah and the Gemara

the Jewish Bible; consists of the Torah, Nevi’im, and Ketuvim

1. the first five books of the Tanak; 2. the entire collection of Jewish sacred texts; 3. the Jewish way of life

the Day of Atonement; when Jewish persons repent of their sins and spend the day in prayer and fasting