

Religion	Judaism
Denomination	Reform
Question answered:	How does your belief in God affect your daily life? (KS2 Q2)
Key Concepts, questions, and outcomes:	God, Worship, Respect, Kosher, choice To what extent do religious beliefs influence and encourage 'good' behaviour? Identify how core beliefs can guide lifestyle choices. Describe and explain what motivates and inspires believers and how this can be reflected in actions/practice.
Key teaching points:	The relationship with God affects relationships with other people. Respect for God is shown in the way others are treated. Engagement with the wider world is a way of showing respect for God.
Prior knowledge:	The 10 commandments; Prayer and worship in the synagogue.

Core Vocabulary:			
<b>Worship</b>	Living life for God as well as praying; demonstrating the worth placed on a person or an object.	<b>Kashrut (Kosher)</b>	The laws about what Jewish people can and cannot eat etc.
<b>World</b>	In this context the world outside of Judaism	<b>Reform</b>	One of the denominations of Judaism; usually more relaxed in respect to some of the laws
<b>Honour</b>	The respect shown to God and other people	<b>Orthodox</b>	One of the denominations of Judaism; usually more observant of the laws of Judaism

Summary of answers:
Taking God seriously leads to taking other people seriously and showing kindness and consideration to others is as important, if not more important than worship. This stems from the understanding that God made human beings and that therefore the spark of God lives in everyone. The second answer explains that this means engaging with the wider world rather than living separately. This points to one of the potential differences between Reform and Orthodox Judaism. Many of the laws from the Torah are interpreted by Orthodox Jews as meaning that they should keep themselves separate from the outside world, not even going into the homes of non-Jews. Reform Judaism seeks to find a way to hold to Jewish laws, such as eating Kosher, while also mixing more widely.

Next Steps:
Is there anything that surprises you in these answers? Examine some of the Jewish food laws, and Sabbath (Shabbat) practices and explore how these are put into practice by different Jewish communities today. Discuss the difference between worship in the synagogue and worship in the wider world. Discuss the question of whether it is more important to pray to God or to live a life that honours other people? Think about the way that other religious groups worship. Are there similarities and differences?  Watch the second half of the film that looks in more detail at Kosher food and debate the role of authority and obedience within a belief system.