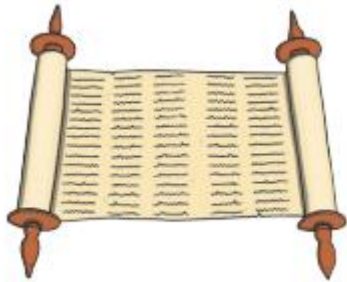


## Making a Torah

Last week we learnt about the Torah. *What do you remember about the Torah?*



The Torah is the holy 'book' in Judaism. Is it not like a book we read in class though, it is a scroll.

Traditionally, the Torah is written in Hebrew (which is written from right to left). Jewish people have a special rule for their Torah: Do not touch it.

The original Torah was given to Moses at the top of the mountain (Mt Sinai) and contained the 10 commandments. This was not a scroll though – it was carved into two stone tablets. Torah scrolls are hand written, usually by a professional and they must be perfect!



Today we would like you to make your own scroll with the story of Exodus inside. You can draw pictures or pick a small section to write.

Here are some ideas for making your scroll.

1. (Grown ups help required!) Soak a tea bag in hot water.
2. Brush the damp (cooled) teabag over a piece of paper to stain it. Leave to dry.
3. In landscape, roll each end of the paper around a pencil or straw and glue the ends down (the pencil will slide out).
4. Write or draw your section of Exodus.
5. Roll together and tie with string or a ribbon.

