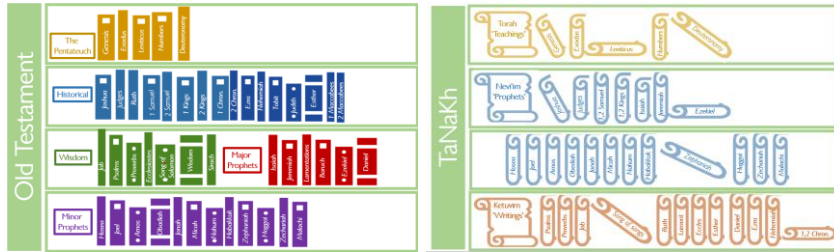




Lesson One and Two

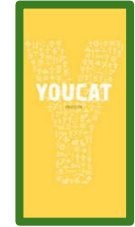
The Hebrew bible - the Tanakh - is a collection of scrolls, assembled over a thousand years. The sacred scrolls of the Tanakh were important and were studied and read aloud – and even learned off by heart by Jewish people. They were written on scrolls by scribes in Hebrew and Greek and were treated with great respect. This is because they were considered to be the ‘Word of God’ – written by humans who were inspired by God’s Holy Spirit. Jesus was Jewish. He would have grown up reading the sacred scriptures of the Hebrew people. Christian Old Testament books are based on these scrolls of the Tanakh – and Christians too believe them to be the inspired word of God. However, there are some differences in organisation and inclusion of some books.



The Bible came together over a period of more than a thousand years and contains sacred texts from Judaism, the four Gospels, and other early writings of the Church. The whole Bible is important for Christians, not just the New Testament. Jesus followers wrote a new collection of writings called the New Testament. The Bible has been translated into many different languages throughout the world.

Lesson Three and Four

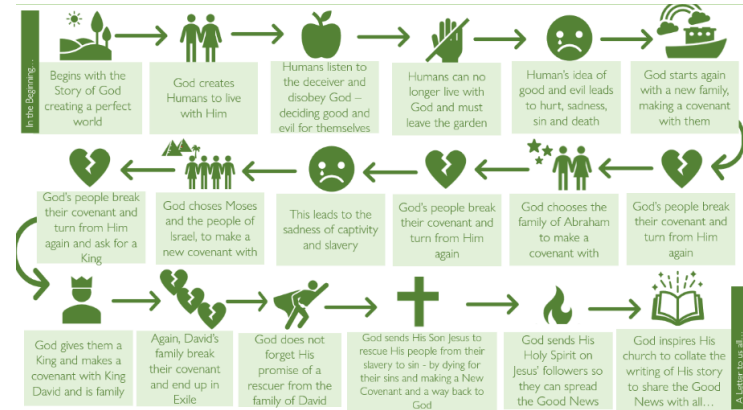
The Bible is made up of many different books and many different styles of writing - and that this can sometimes make it very difficult for people today to read and understand the Bible. The Catholic Church helps Catholics to read and understand the Bible and its meanings.



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The BIBLE is like a long letter written by God to each one of us. For this reason, I should accept the Sacred Scriptures with great love and reverence. First of all, it is important really to read God’s letter, in other words, not to pick out details while paying no attention to the whole message. Then I must interpret the whole message with a view to its heart and mystery: Jesus Christ, of whom the whole Bible speaks, even the Old Testament. Catholics believe that all scripture – both the Old and New Testaments – reveal Jesus to us. Jesus is prefigured and pointed to in the Old Testament and revealed in the New.

Catholics believe that It is essential to understand the genre and purpose of the author when studying different books in the Bible – as this helps us to know the truths that they point to - rather than approaching them all as if they were factual Science or History books.



Old Testament

New Testament

Bible

Tanakh



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## Year Five RE Knowledge Organiser Summer Two – Dialogue and Encounter

### Lesson Five and Six

God's covenant with Abraham is the foundation of the faith of the people of the Old and New Testaments: Judaism and Christianity. God promises Abraham – His Blessing on all the people of the Earth. God's Promise in His Covenant with Abraham is very important to Jewish people today – who are the descendants of the people of Israel.



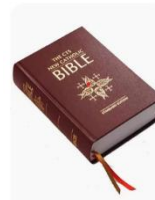
But it is also important to Christians. God has extended this covenant to all people today through one of Abraham's descendants – Jesus. Jesus is the New Covenant – and through Him, God offers this covenant of blessing to all who chose to follow Him and are adopted into His family – through Baptism. The whole Bible is important for Christians, not just the New Testament

### Lesson Seven

The Bible is a very special book that is the inspired word of God, written over thousands of years, passed on from generation to generation, translated into hundreds of languages, treasured and passed on by generations of God's people – some of whom even gave their lives to protect it.

We will think about:

- How we have seen the special book of scripture – The Lectionary - treated in the church during Mass
- How is the Bible treated in the classroom
- How the Scripture is held aloft and processed in for the Mass



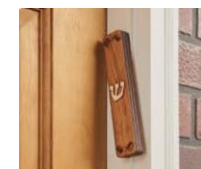
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### Lesson Eight

We hope to encounter someone who follows the Jewish faith—to listen to them speak about the role of scripture in their lives today.

We will learn what Jewish people believe about the Name of God and how Jewish people refer to God in the Tanakh and the different names for God.

We will learn that in the sacred Jewish scripture of the Tanakh, there are some commands from God about how Jewish people should live and pray and one of these is expressed in a very special prayer called the Shema.



This prayer is very special to lots of people who follow the Jewish Faith and it is often kept in a special box called a Mezuzah and placed in a special way on the doorposts of Jewish homes to remind them of the prayer and its meaning.

# Shema      Mezuzah