



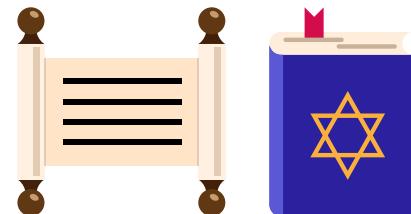
## R&amp;W - Is scripture central to religion?

Abrahamic	Religions that believe in one God and are related to Abraham. These include the Jewish, Christian and Muslim worldviews.	response	A reaction or reply to something.
central	In religious contexts, the most important.	revelation	The act of revealing or making something known that was previously hidden or secret.
faith	A strong belief in something without needing proof.	sacred	Something that is greatly respected, treated with care and connected to God.
holy*	Related to God or religion, considered special and to be respected by followers.	Tenak*	A collection of Hebrew scriptures, including the Torah, the Nevi'im and the Ketuvim.
prophet	A person who is believed to be chosen by God to share a God-given message to the people.		



Many religious people believe that God sent down revelations through significant people to help people live better lives.

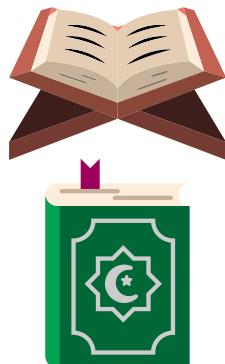
Many Jewish, Christian and Muslim people share similar beliefs about God and his communication with the prophet Abraham. These worldviews are sometimes referred to as **Abrahamic** religions.



The **Torah scroll\*** or **Sefer Torah** is the first of the five books of Moses in the **Jewish** worldview.

The Torah scroll is central to the Jewish worldview and is used as a scroll in the **synagogue** because it is the way it was written originally.

The **Chumash** is a copy of the Torah in book form, which some Jewish people use at home and in the synagogue to help them read and understand the Torah.



The **Qur'an** is central to the **Muslim** worldview. Many Muslims believe the Qur'an was revealed to the **Prophet Muhammad** in Arabic.



The first part of the **Christian Bible**, the Jewish Tenak and the Qur'an all contain the same stories and religious texts. They are called the **Old Testament** by Christians.

The **New Testament\*** is the second part of the **Christian Bible** and it contains the teachings and stories related to **Jesus**.