	What made the Israelites' religion different from other culture	
2. V	What was the purpose of the prophets?	
3. ∖	What is the Hebrew Bible or the Tanakh?	hall the state of
4. V	What was the name of Israel's religion?	
5. V	What two other religions were influenced by Israel's religion?	

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ESSENTIAL QUESTION How do religions develop?

Beginnings

Describing Why were Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Moses considered important early leaders of the ancient Israelites? In the chart below, briefly describe the significance of each leader.

Leader	Significance
Abraham	1.
Isaac	2.
Jacob	3.
Moses	4.

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	Identifying Identify what the ancient Israelites believed about the following topics.
5.	monotheism:
6.	prophets:
7.	connecting to God:
8.	Assessing What are the long-lasting effects of the Ten Commandments?

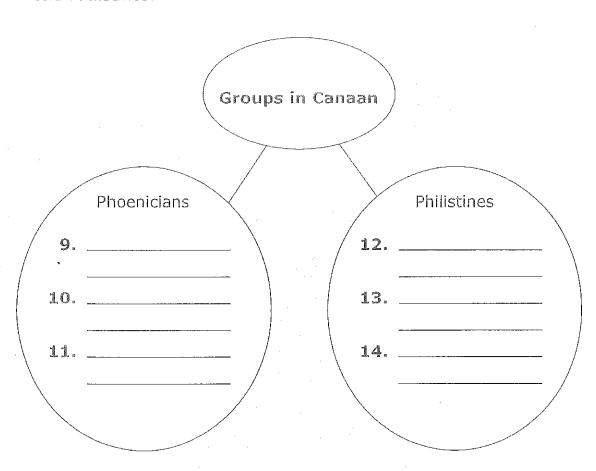
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The Israelites

The Land of Canaan

Identifying When the Israelites returned to Canaan, they found other groups already living there. In the organizer below, identify three facts about two of these groups, the Phoenicians and Philistines.



15.	Deterr	nining	Cause	and	Effect	How	did (Cana	aan'	s land
	and cli	mate af	fect the	Isra	elites'	settle	ment	of	the	region?

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Lesson Quiz 6-1

The Israelites

DIRECTIONS	5: Matching Match each item with the cor	ect statem	ent below.			
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en.			B. Exodus			
vermon reconstruction of the contraction of the con	. an agreement or promise with God	an agreement or promise with God				
	departure of the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt		D. Phoenicians			
4	belief in one all-powerful, Just, and personal God		E. Torah			
race-rational function of the second	the name of the laws that God gave to Mo	oses				
	5: Multiple Choice Indicate the answer of answers the question.	hoice that	best completes the			
6	According to the Hebrew Bible, Jacob's 12	sons beca	ame			
	A. members of the Diaspora.	C. scribe	s.			
	B. priests.	D. the lea	ader of Israelite tribes.			
7 .	The Philistines, an eastern Mediterranea present-day	in group, n	nigrated from near			
	A. Damascus.	C. Rome.				
	B. Greece.	D. Syria.				
8.	According to the Hebrew Bible, who led conquer Canaan?	the Israel	ites in a series of battles to			
	A. Abraham	C. Joshu	3			
	B. Jacob	D. Moses				
9.	According to the Hebrew Bible, the Israe six days and finally took control of what		hed around a city's walls for			
	A. Barak	C. Jerich	0			
	B. Canaan	D. Mount	Sinai			
10.	The Hebrew Bible says the tabernacle h	oused a s	acred object called the			
	A. Ark of the Covenant.	C. Ark of	the Lamb.			
	B. Ark of Joshua.	D. Ark of	the Prophet.			

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The Israelites

Lesson 1 Beginnings

ESSENTIAL QUESTION

How do religions develop?

GUIDING QUESTIONS

- What did the ancient Israelites believe?
- How did the Israelites settle Canaan?

Terms to Know

prophet a messenger sent by God to share God's word with people

monotheism the belief in only one God tribe a group of people who share a family member in the past

Exodus the journey of the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt

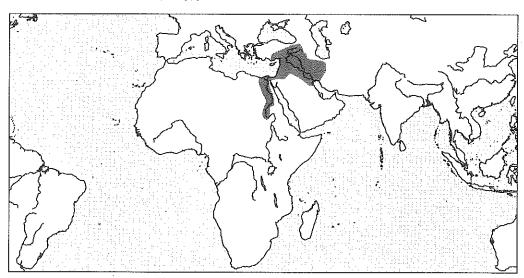
covenant an agreement with God

Torah the teachings that Moses received from God on Mount Sinai; later they became a part of the Hebrew Bible

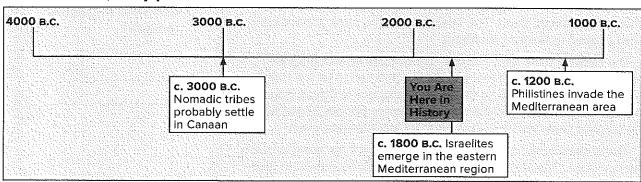
commandment a rule that God wanted the Israelites to follow

alphabet a group of letters that stand for the sounds made when talking

Where in the world?



When did it happen?



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The Israelites

Lesson 1 Beginnings, Continued

Beginnings

Around 1800 B.C., a group called the Israelites appeared in southwest Asia. The Israelites were different from many other groups at the time. They practiced **monotheism**. This means they believed in one God. Other groups practiced polytheism, the worship of more than one god.

The Israelites also believed that God sent **prophets.** These prophets were messengers who shared God's words. The Israelites wrote about their religious beliefs and history. Some of these writings became the Hebrew Bible. These beliefs eventually became a religion called Judaism. Today, the followers of this religion are called Jews.

God told Abraham to settle in Canaan.	
A shortage of food later forced the Israelite Canaan.	s to leave
Many Israelites moved to Egypt.	
The pharaoh enslaved the Israelites.	

Jewish belief states that the Israelites descended from a man named Abraham. The Hebrew Bible says that God told Abraham to settle in Canaan. God promised that Abraham and his descendants would always control Canaan.

Abraham's grandson Jacob was also named Israel. Jacob had 12 sons. His family eventually divided into separate family groups, called **tribes**. Jacob's 12 sons became the leaders of the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

A shortage of food later forced the Israelites to leave Canaan. Many of them moved to Egypt. Eventually, Egypt's leader, the pharaoh, enslaved them. The Israelites had to work at hard labor. They prayed to God for freedom.

The Hebrew Bible says that one day God spoke to a prophet named Moses. God told Moses to tell the pharaoh to let the Israelites go. The pharaoh refused, so God sent 10 plagues to Egypt. Plagues are events that cause great problems for many people. Eventually, the plagues convinced the pharaoh to let the Israelites leave.

The pharaoh then changed his mind. He sent his army to catch the Israelites. The Hebrew Bible states that God parted the Red Sea so that the Israelites could cross.



Defining

1. What is a prophet?



Explaining

2. Place a two-tab Foldable along the dotted line to cover the text that begins "A shortage of food later forced the Israelites to leave Canaan." Write Israelites ... on the anchor tab. Label the top tab . . . left Canaan and the bottom tab ... returned to Canaan. Explain the reasons the Israelites left and then returned to Canaan, Use both sides of the tab.

Explaining

3. According to the Hebrew Bible, why did God send 10 plagues to Egypt?

The Israelites

Lesson 1 Beginnings, Continued

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Examining Details

4. List three details about the Ten Commandments.

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Reading Check

5. How did the Israelites' beliefs differ from most other ancient peoples?

Explaining	

6. What challenge did the Israelites face when they returned to Canaan?

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7. How could an alphabet have helped the Phoenicians trade?

When the Egyptians followed, they drowned. The journey of the Israelites out of Egypt is called the Exodus. The Jewish holy festival of Passover celebrates their freedom from slavery.

During their journey, the Israelites received a covenant, or agreement, with God. The Hebrew Bible says God promised to quide the Israelites safely back to Canaan. The Israelites promised to follow his teachings. The teachings are known as the Torah. These teachings later became part of the Hebrew Bible.

The Ten Commandments are part of the Torah. A commandment was a rule that God wanted the Israelites to follow. The laws of many nations are also based on principles in the Ten Commandments.

Person	Role
Abraham	God promised that his descendants would always control Canaan.
Jacob .	His 12 sons became leaders of the Twelve Tribes of Israel.
Moses	He led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt; this event is known as the Exodus.

The Land of Canaan

The Hebrew Bible says that Moses died before reaching Canaan. A new leader named Joshua led the Israelites to Canaan. They found other groups already living there. Two of these groups were the Phoenicians and the Philistines. These groups had different beliefs and ways of life than the Israelites.

The Phoenicians lived in cities by the Mediterranean coast. They became skilled sailors and traders. Soon, the Phoenicians controlled Mediterranean shipping and trade. This helped spread Phoenician ideas. They developed an alphabet to help them trade. An alphabet is a group of letters that stands for sounds made when talking. Their alphabet influenced the Greek and Roman alphabets. We still use the Roman alphabet today.

The other group was the Philistines. They came from near present-day Greece. The Philistines made iron tools and weapons. They built walled towns and a put together a strong army.

The Israelites

Lesson 1 Beginnings, Continued

The Israelites believed that God wanted them to claim Canaan as their homeland. According to the Hebrew Bible, Joshua led them into battle to achieve this goal. At the city of Jericho, the Israelites marched around the city walls for six days. On the seventh day, the walls fell. The Israelites took control of Jericho.

Joshua led the Israelites into other battles. They divided the lands they captured between the 12 tribes. When Joshua died, leaders called judges ruled the tribes. The judges settled disputes and led troops into battle. A woman judge named Deborah became known for her bravery. She helped advise troops in battle.

After many battles, the Israelites won control of central Canaan. The Hebrew Bible states that they worshiped God in a tabernacle. This is a large tent-like building that could be taken along as they moved from place to place. The tabernacle housed the Ark of the Covenant, a wooden chest. The Israelites believed the Ten Commandments were written on tablets kept in the Ark. They carried the Ark into battle with them. The believed it would ensure a victory, or make certain they won.

Groups livin	g in Canaan
Phoenicians	Philistines
sailors and traders	• settled in southern Canaan
settled throughout Mediterranean world	built walled cities along Mediterranean coast
created an alphabet	made tools and weapons; built a strong army

Check for Understanding List two features of Judaism.
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Name one reason Canaan was important to the Israelites.
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	Identifying
8.	Who was Deborah?
	Reading
	Check
9.	Who were the
	Phoenicians, and what
	was their major contribution to world
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10. Place a one-tab
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the anchor tab Beliefs
and God's Promises. In
the middle of the
Foldable, write The
Hebrew Bible. Draw
five arrows around the
title. List five words or
phrases about the
beliefs outlined in the
Hebrew Bible.