



Mezuzah

What special things do we keep in our house?



How do we look after our special things?



Jewish people keep many special things in their house.





One very special thing is a
Mezuzah.





The Mezuzah is a special box
with a prayer inside it.





The Mezuzah is put on the door. When Jewish people go in and out of their door they kiss the Mezuzah.

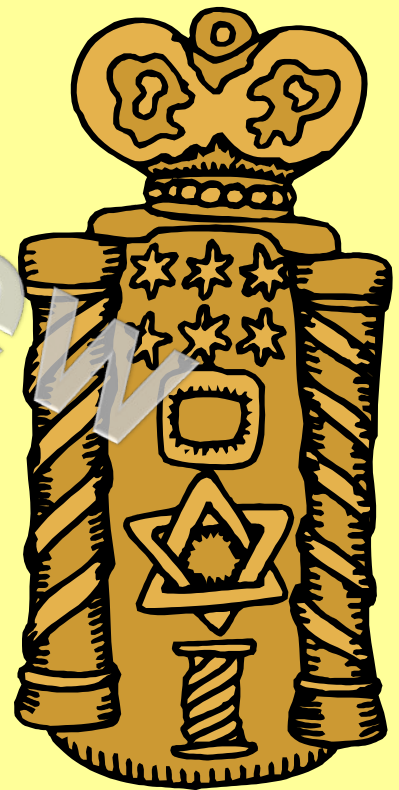
The mezuzah is fixed to the doorframe on the right hand side as you go into the house or room. The mezuzah must be fixed at an angle so that the top is nearest to the room.



The Mezuzah is decorated
to make it special.



There are lots of different ways in which people decorate them.





Inside each mezuzah is a little parchment scroll with the words of part of the Shema written on it in tiny Hebrew writing.



In the Shema it says "Write the words of the Torah on the doorposts of your home".