

Main Beliefs

I am the Lord
your God

You shall have no
gods before me

You shall not take the
Lords name in vain

Remember and keep the
Sabbath holy

Honour your father
and mother

You shall not
kill

You shall not
commit adultery

You shall not
steal

You shall not
bear false witness

You shall not covet
your neighbour's wife
nor goods

Aim

- To understand the Ten Commandments.

Success Criteria

- I can discuss the ten commandments to show the rules Jews believe we should live by.
- I can ask questions about the relevance of the Ten Commandments today.
- I can discuss why it is so important for Jews today.

Rules – Why?

- What rules do you have at home and at school? How are they different?
- Why do we have these rules and why are they important?
- What would our class/school/society be like if there were no rules?
 - When else do we need rules?
 - Who makes up these rules?

The Ten Commandments

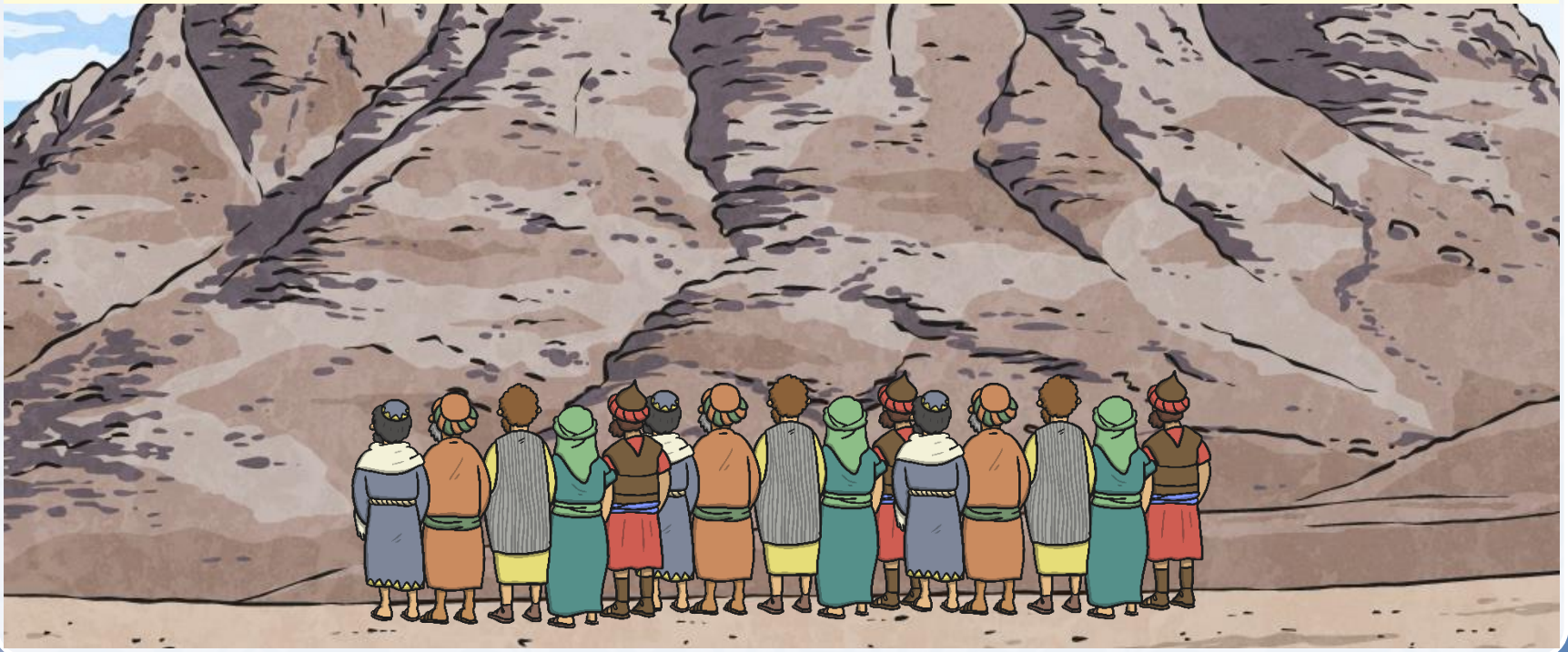
- What are the Ten Commandments?
- Why did the Israelites need rules and what rules did God give them?

Moses



The Israelites had been travelling in the desert for about 3 months, on their way to Canaan, when they got to Mount Sinai.

Moses was over 80 years old now and he was leading the Israelites. When they got to Mount Sinai, Moses walked up the mountain to talk to God.



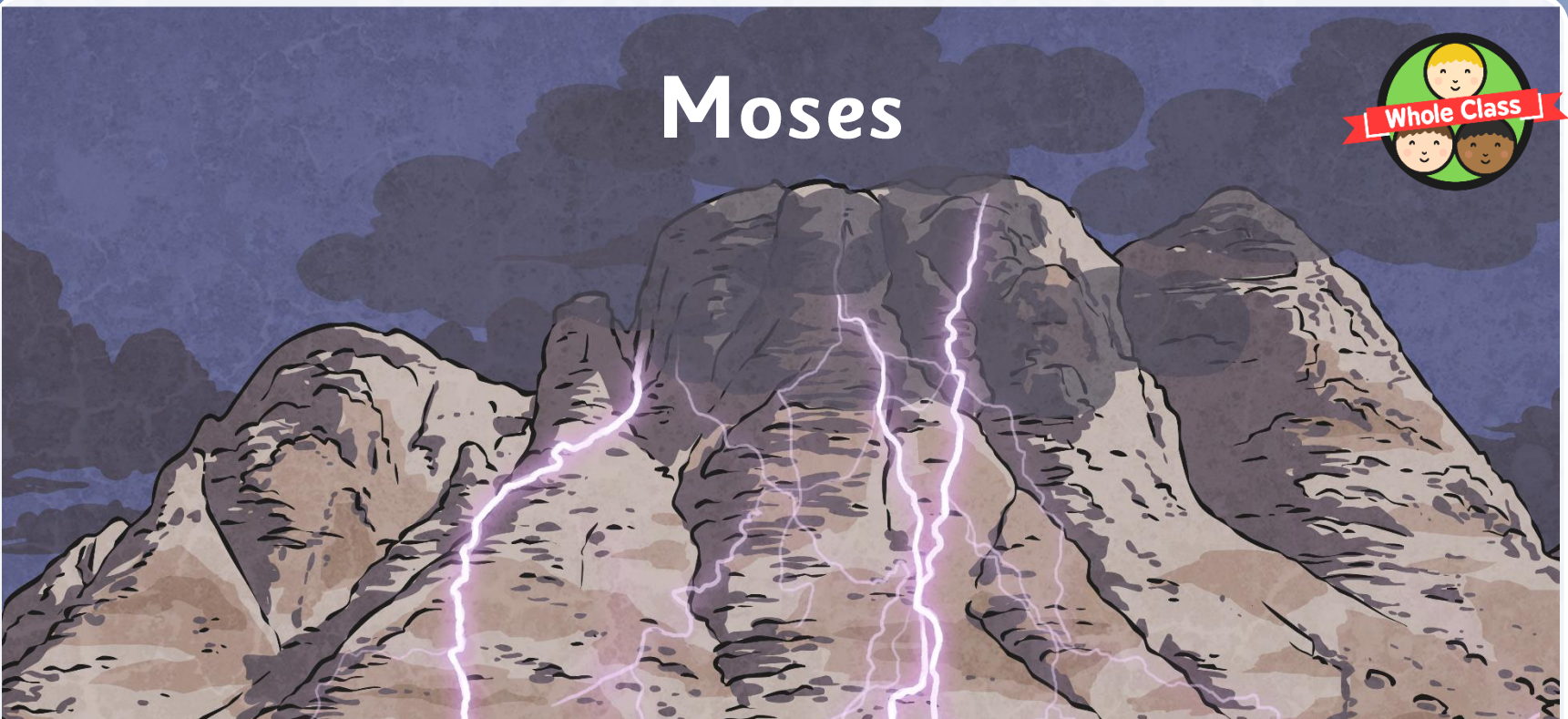
Moses



God told Moses to tell the Israelites to get ready. Moses came down to tell the people to have a wash and to clean all their clothes. This meant they would be ready to hear God's important words.

On the third morning after Moses had talked to God, the Israelites were having their breakfast when suddenly there was a flash of light over the mountain and a large rumble.

Moses



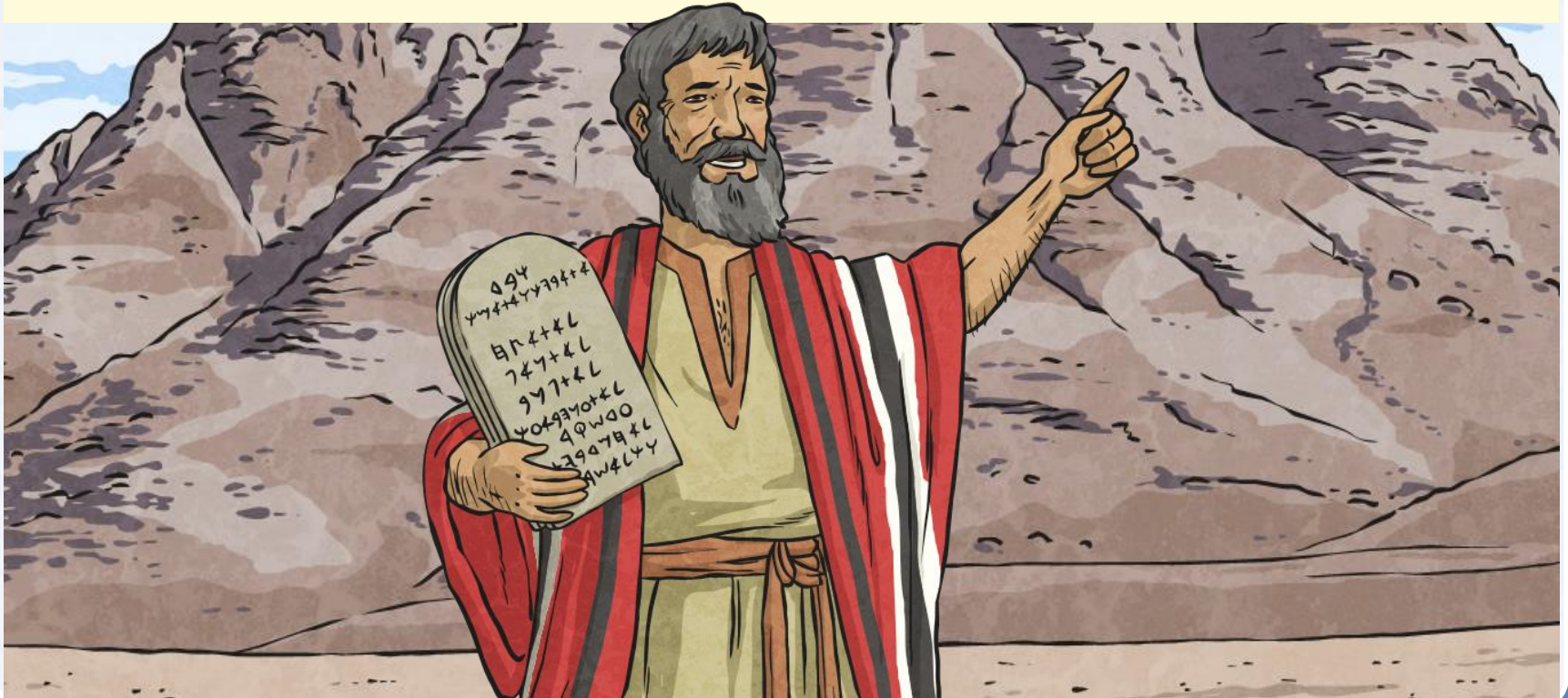
There was lightning and thunder over the mountain and a thick cloud covering the top of the mountain. The mountain shook and trumpet sounds got louder and louder.

So Moses went up the mountain to listen to God again. This time, God told Moses, “Go down to the people and tell them not to follow you up the mountain, the mountain is a special place because I am here.” So Moses told the people not to go too close to the Mountain and not to touch it.

Moses



After passing on the message, Moses went back up the mountain and stayed for a very long time (40 days and 40 nights). God wanted to tell the people how to live and to let them know that by following his rules they would lead happier lives and have less sadness. He gave Moses 10 very important life rules.



The Ten Commandments



The ten rules (commandments) given to Moses are as follows:

- The first commandment is to **put God first**.
- The second command is to **worship only God**.
- The third commandment is to **use God's name with respect**.
- The fourth commandment is to **remember God's Sabbath**.
- The fifth commandment is to **respect our parents**.
- The sixth commandment says **don't hurt others**.
- The seventh commandment tells us to **be faithful in marriage**. He wants us to love our wife or husband and treat them with respect.
- The eighth commandment is **don't steal**.
- The ninth commandment is **don't lie**.
- The last commandment is **don't be envious of others**.

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