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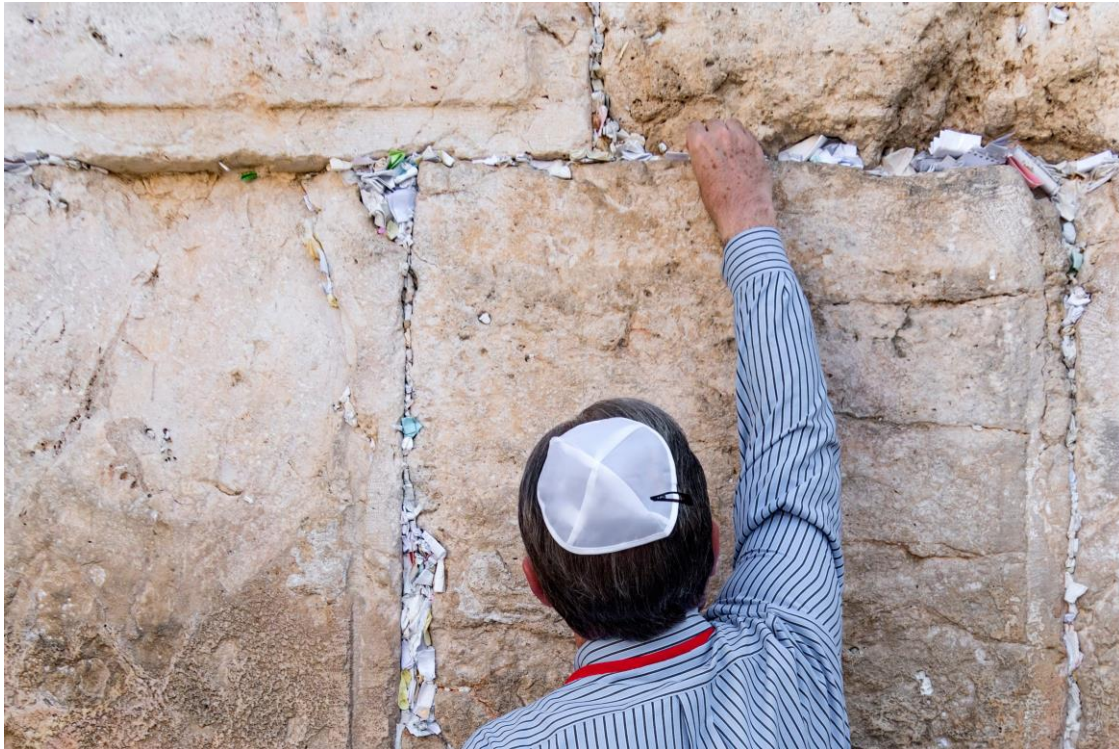
LO: Jewish special places: The Western Wall

Go to : <https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Western-Wall/627392#:~:text=The%20Western%20Wall%20is%20all,and%20pray%20for%20its%20restoration.>

Answer these questions:

- a. Why is the Western Wall important to Jewish people?
- b. Click on the word pilgrimage. What does it mean to go on a pilgrimage?
- c. Why is the wall also known as the 'Wailing Wall'?

Visitors write prayers on slips of paper and wedge them into cracks between the stones on the Western Wall.



Imagine you are travelling to a special place. It could be a holy place or just somewhere special to you and your family.

Write a prayer or some hopes on a piece of paper and fold it up small and hide it or bring it to school to put on the reflection table.

See the next page for ideas on how to write a prayer.

My Special Prayer

Think carefully before you write your prayer. Will it be a prayer of thanks? Will it ask for help or forgiveness? Will it focus on others or yourself?



You could start your prayer with:

Dear God

Dear Lord

Or just start with:

I hope...

I wish...

I dream...

Finish it with Amen or Thank you

Dear God,

Please hear my prayer. Guide me in all I do and help me to be brave and kind in the coming weeks. Help me to support my friends and family. Help me to be grateful for the simple things like food to eat, a place to live, education and time to play.

Amen

You may wish to copy up your prayer in your best handwriting and decorate it.

