**Ancient Israel Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[The history of ancient Israel from Abraham to Roman rule - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/ancient-israel-overview-reading/)

1. Who is considered the Semitic patriarch that journeyed from Ur in Mesopotamia to Canaan?
2. What significant event took place around the 13th century BCE involving the Israelites?
3. Why were the Israelites initially welcomed in Egypt?
4. Who led the Israelites out of Egypt during the Exodus?
5. Where did the Israelites receive the Ten Commandments?
6. Who was the leader that led military campaigns to establish the Israelites' presence in Canaan after their return?
7. What is the Period of the Judges known for in terms of leadership?
8. Name one of the earliest and most notable judges.
9. Who was the first king of the United Monarchy?
10. Which city did David capture and establish as the political and religious capital?
11. What is Solomon best remembered for?
12. What significant event took place following Solomon's death around 930 BCE?
13. Which Assyrian king laid siege to Samaria, leading to the end of the northern kingdom?
14. What significant event marked the beginning of the Babylonian Exile for the Judeans?
15. Who allowed the Israelites to return to their homeland after the Babylonian Exile?
16. Which Greek leader's conquests impacted Judea in the late 4th century BCE?
17. What revolt was sparked due to the policies of the Seleucid king Antiochus IV Epiphanes?
18. Who was the Roman king known for his extensive building projects, including the renovation of the Second Temple?
19. What significant event took place in 70 CE?
20. Who led the Bar Kokhba Revolt against the Romans?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*How did ancient Israel* [*change*](https://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/change-and-continuity/) *as a result of the Babylonian Exile?*