



Worksheet: Judeophobia and Judaism in the Ancient World

Using the reading, complete these questions before the presentation on antisemitism.

1. Why weren't ancient peoples necessarily hostile to Jews and Judaism in the ancient world?
2. Why was the Babylonian exile important for the development of Judaism?
3. How did the influx of Greeks during the Hellenistic period impact or influence Judaism?
4. What challenges to identity did Jews face in the wake of the Hellenistic movement?
5. What was one example of Jewish rebellion during the Hellenistic period?
6. What was the peculiar situation of Jews within the Roman Empire?