

KEY TERMS

Introduction

Culture
Ethnicity
Identity
Judaism
Nation
Nationality
People
Race
Religion
Social identity

Chapter 1. Narratives

Ashkenazi
Becoming white
“Fact”
Jew of Color
Mizraḥi
Narrative
 Dominant
 Subordinated
Passover/*Pesaḥ*
 Passover *Seder*
People of Color
Sephardi
“Truth”
“White” Jew

Chapter 2. Sinais

Bible (*Tanakh* or Torah, Prophets, Writings)
 Biblical canon
 Biblical criticism (Documentary Hypothesis)
 Biblical Law (and ritual observance)
 Biblical Narrative
Building texts upon texts
Bnei Yisrael (Children of Israel)
Chosenness
Monism
Revelation (Sinai vs. ongoing)
Sacred place
Sacred text
Sinai
 Mount Sinai
 Literal Sinai
 Metaphorical Sinai
Textual interpretation
 PaRDeS—*pshat, remez, drash, sōd*
Theism
Torah (Five Books of Moses)
 Oral Torah
 Torah scroll
 Written Torah

Chapter 3. Zions

Assyrian Exile
Babylonian Exile
Destruction of the First and Second Temples
Diaspora
Exile
Israelite
Jerusalem
Jew
Judean
Kingdoms of Judah and Israel
Land of Israel
Proto-Jew
Ritual (how something becomes sacred)
Sacred center vs. Sacred centers (spider vs. starfish)
Temple vs. Temples
Zion

Chapter 4. Messiahs

Axis/axes mundi
Bar Kokhba
Christian Jew
Hasidism
Jesus
Messiah—anoointed one
 Priests
 Prophets
 Kings
Messiah son of David and messiah son of Joseph
Messianic age
Olam haba
Sabbatai Tzvi
Schneerson, Menachem Mendel (the Rebbe)
Tikkun olam
Tzadik

Chapter 5. Laws

Agaddah
Custom (vs. halakhah)

Feminism
 Contextualized
 Radical
Gemara
Halakhah
“Invisible Gorilla”
Kippah
Kosher
Maimonides or Rambam
Midrash (and midrash)
Midrash Halakhah
Mikveh
Mishnah (and mishnah)
Mishneh Torah
Priest
Rabbi (and “the Rabbis”)
Sanhedrin
Shma
Shulhan Arukh
Talmud
 Babylonian Talmud
 Jerusalem or Palestinian Talmud
Tallit
Tefillin
Yeshivah

Chapter 6. Mysticisms

Baal Shem Tov
Breaking the Vessels
De León, Moses
Ein Sof
Good and Evil (*yetzer hatov* and *yetzer hara*)
Hasidism
Kabbalah
 Kabbalist
Karo, Joseph
Philosophers vs. Kabbalists (or Philosophers/
Kabbalists)
Reward and punishment
Safed

Saint
Sefirot
Sōd
Soul
 Nefesh
 Ruah
 Neshamah
Tikkun olam
Tzadik
Zohar

Chapter 7. Cultures

“Arab Jew”
Assimilation
Babylonian Jew
“Black Jew”
Chinese Jew (e.g., Kaifeng)
Culture (i.e., culturally Jewish)
Dhimmi (Jews living among Muslims)
Egyptian Jew
Ethiopian Jew (including *Feres Mora*)
Ethnicity (i.e., ethnically Jewish)
Greco-Roman Jew/Judean
Greek Jew
 Romaniote
 Salonikan
“Hyphenated” Jew
Indian Jew
 “Cochini” Jew
 Bnai Israel Jew
 “Baghdadi” Jew
Integration
Iraqi Jew
Isolation
Israeli Jew
Jew living among Christians
Kurdistani Jew
Persian Jew
Religion

Sephardi Jew
Spanish (and Portuguese) Inquisitions
Syrian Jew
“White Jew”
Yemenite Jew

Chapter 8. Movements

Christian Jew
Conservative Judaism
Essene Jew
Haskalah, Maskil
Hasmonean
Jewish Theological Seminary
Maccabee
Matrilineal and patrilineal descent
Mehitzah vs. mixed seating
Mendelssohn, Moses
Movement vs. denomination
Nondenominational
Orthodox Judaism
 Modern Orthodox
 Ultra-Orthodox, *Haredi*
Pharisee Jew
Pittsburgh Platform
Postdenominational
Reconstructionist Judaism
Reform Judaism
Religion
 Religious
 Not secular (problematic of binary)
Renewal Judaism
Saducee Jew
Secularism (i.e., secularly Jewish)
Secular Humanist Judaism
Sicarii
Synagogue
Transdenominational
Unaffiliated
Zealot Jew

Chapter 9. Genocides

Antisemitism

- Holocaust denial
- Anti-Israelism
- Stereotypes
- Bigotry vs. antisemitism (and defining each)

Collective memory

Collective trauma

Genocide

- Physical
- Cultural
- Spiritual

Holocaust

Lemkin, Raphael

Miscegenation

Nazi definitions of a Jew

Nazi-targeted groups (i.e., Jews, Roma, Sinti, non-abled bodied, Slavs, Communists, Socialists, Jehovah's Witnesses, homosexuals)

"Never again"

Self-hating Jew

Shoah

- One-of-a-kind event
- Relevant to all Jews
- Relationship to Israel
- Non-Ashkenazi Jews
- Education (e.g., "March of the Living")

Six million

Universalism vs. particularism

Victim vs. survivor

Chapter 10. Powers

1967 or "Six Day" War

"A land without people for a people without a land"

Al-Nakba (The Catastrophe)

Anti-Zionism

"Arab Jew"

Becoming white

David and Goliath (archetypes)

Dati and *ẖiluni* (religious and secular)

Gaza

Hekscher

Herzl, Theodor

Hillel and "Open Hillel"

Israel

- Land of Israel
- People of Israel (*Bnei Yisrael* or Children of Israel)
- State of Israel

Independence ("miracle" of establishment of the State of Israel)

"Israel Lobby"

"Israeli Arab"

Israeli Jew

- Cultural/national identity
- Legal identity (i.e., "Law of Return")

Israeli military and masculinity

Jewish Orientalism

"Jew of muscle"

- Jewish gangster
- Jewish Israeli soldier (i.e., Israeli military)

Masada

Names for Israel and Palestine

Occupation

- Military occupation

Palestine

- British-occupied Palestine
- Historic Palestine
- Ottoman-controlled Palestine
- State of Palestine

Palestinian

- Palestinian in Israel (Palestinian Israeli or "Arab Israeli")
- Palestinian in the occupied West Bank or Gaza (also commonly called Palestine)

Power

- Different meanings
- How it appears
- How it manifests among American Jews and Israeli Jews

Religion vs. nationalism

Secularism

War of Independence

West Bank

Zealot

Zionism

 Cultural Zionism

 Political Zionism

 Religious Zionism

 Stateless Zionism

Chapter 11. Borders

African Hebrew Israelite of Jerusalem

Ashkenazi-centric

Authenticity (i.e., *Real* Israelites/*Real* Jews)

Bnei Yisrael (Children of Israel)

Border characteristics

Denial of rabbinic authority

“Half-Jew”

Kabbalah Centre

Karaite

Matrilineal and patrilineal descent

Messianic Jew

 Jew for Jesus

Minyan

Samaritan

Shul

Siddur

Chapter 12. Futures

Counting Jews (i.e., Jewish population)

Environmental Jew

“Hebrew school”

Intermarriage (also called outmarriage)

Israel education

Jewish continuity

Jewish Federation

Jewish parochial school

Jewish summer overnight camp

Multiethnic Jews (Multicultural Jews)

Professional Jew

Raising a child Jewishly

 “Strong Jewish identity” vs. “weak Jewish identity”

Shaping Jewish identities

Taglit-Birthright Israel

Unaffiliated Jew