

Exploring Sacred Texts: Wisdom of the World

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey through history to discover the books that shape our world!

- Sacred texts are considered holy books that contain the core beliefs, history, and moral teachings of a religious community.
- For Christians, the Bible is the sacred text, containing both the Old and New Testaments which tell the story of the relationship between God and humanity.
- The Qur'an is the sacred text of Islam, believed by Muslims to be the word of God revealed to the Prophet Muhammad in the Arabic language.
- The Torah is the central sacred text for Judaism, consisting of the first five books of the Hebrew Bible, often kept on decorated scrolls in a synagogue.
- In Hinduism, the Vedas are ancient collections of hymns and rituals, while the Bhagavad Gita is a beloved text that offers guidance on duty and spiritual life.
- Guru Granth Sahib is the sacred scripture of Sikhism; it is treated with immense respect and is considered the living Guru by the Sikh community.

Did you know? Did you know? Many ancient sacred texts were originally written on scrolls made of parchment or papyrus, long before the invention of the printing press. Some are still hand-copied by scribes today to ensure every single letter is perfectly preserved!

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