Exploring Sacred Texts: Wisdom of the World

Journey through the Pages of Truth with Ellie the Elephant!

■ **Sacred texts are considered special because they contain the core beliefs, history, and moral teachings of a religion.**

■ **The Bible is the sacred text of Christianity, consisting of the Old and New Testaments which tell of God's relationship with humanity.**

■ **The Qur'an is the holy book of Islam, believed by Muslims to be the word of God revealed to the Prophet Muhammad.**

■ **The Torah contains the first five books of the Hebrew Bible and is central to Jewish worship and community life.**

■ **The Guru Granth Sahib is the central religious scripture of Sikhism, regarded by Sikhs as the final, sovereign, and eternal living Guru.**

■ **The Vedas are some of the oldest sacred texts in the world, forming the foundational scriptures of Hinduism.**

Did you know? Did you know? Many ancient sacred texts were originally written on materials like papyrus, animal skins, or even palm leaves before the invention of the printing press. Ellie the Elephant loves to remember that these texts have been carefully copied by hand for centuries to ensure their stories and teachings are preserved for future generations!

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