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**MFS Year 6 Jewish Literacy Programme**  
**Core General Knowledge**  
**Study and Review Q. & A.**

Study Sheet 5

21. Q. a. How many sections are there in the משנה?

A. 6

b. What is the משנה?

A. The Oral (spoken) Torah, given to משה together with the Written Torah (the חומש).

c. Who wrote the משנה down?

A. Rabbi Yehudah HaNosi.

d. Why did he write it down?

A. He was worried that the Oral Torah would become forgotten due to Roman oppression and also as Jews spread to many places around the world he foresaw that this could all lead to a breakdown in Torah learning and practice.

22. Q. How many of the nine special שבתות can you list?

(Write on the lines what you know about each one.)

A. i. שבת שירה : \_\_\_\_\_

ii. פְּרֻשַׁת שְׁקָלִים \_\_\_\_\_

iii. פְּרֻשַׁת זְכוֹר \_\_\_\_\_

iv. פְּרֻשַׁת פְּרָה \_\_\_\_\_

v. פְּרֻשַׁת הַחֹדֶשׁ \_\_\_\_\_

vi. שַׁבַּת הַגְּדוּל \_\_\_\_\_

vii. שַׁבַּת חֲזוֹן \_\_\_\_\_

viii. שַׁבַּת נַחְמוּ \_\_\_\_\_

ix. שַׁבַּת שׁוּבָה \_\_\_\_\_