

a

Question Part

Marriage is significant within the Jewish faith as it completes a human being as foretold in the Torah "it is not good for man to be alone". The ceremony occurs under a chuppa and is usually conducted by a rabbi. The use of a plain wedding band symbolizes eternal marriage, reinforced by the signing of the marriage contract. The circling of the bride groom by the bride seven times, is symbolic of God's creation of the world.

b(1)

Question Part

Moses Maimonides was a revolutionary rabbi of the time. His writings, in particular the "Guide of the perplexed" was where Maimonides formulated his thirteen principles, ~~and~~ and also saw him simplify the complex set of laws found in the Torah. His works had ~~been~~ carried huge significance as he made the complex laws ~~or~~ simpler to understand and more easily available to the Jewish community, ~~carrying~~ meaning he had a huge contribution to the expression and understanding of Judaism. He was credited as "the greatest philosopher" by Time magazine and had a great contribution to the Jewish faith.

b) (11)

Question Part

Moses Maimonides had a huge impact on Judaism, mainly through his writings "A Guide of the Perplexed" which saw him formulate his thirteen principles of faith, which included "God is one" and "God is eternal". Thus he was able to summarise the complex rules and laws found in the Torah and make them both simpler to understand and less more available to the less educated and poorer Jewish adherents. This saw him get questioned by other rabbis and influential Jewish thinkers, as they believed God's word could not be simplified and it took out the search for fulfillment they believed was essential for all Jews to carry out.

His works however undoubtedly had a profound impact on Judaism as it allowed Jews to learn more about their faith and allowed them to carry out the Jewish way of life. His ~~at~~ principles were that ~~in~~ influential that they were formulated into a prayer and hence impacted ~~at~~ also on the expression of Judaism.