Judaism THE COVENANT WITH MOSES **Beliefs and Teachings** [1 mark] Where did God make the covenant with Moses? A) Egypt B) Sinai C) Jerusalem D) Bethlehem [2 marks] Give two facts about Moses' early life. Born in Egypt/ at risk of death from Pharaoh/ placed in a basket amongst the reeves in the Nile/ found by Pharaoh's daughter/ raised in Pharaoh's household [4 marks] Explain two Jewish teachings about how God rescued the Israelites from Pharaoh. God sent ten plagues on Egypt e.g. Darkness/river of blood/ boils etc God sent Moses to speak to Pharaoh "let my people go" Created a path through the red sea

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4. Explain two ways that belief in the Covenant with Moses affects Jews [5 marks] today.

Jews follow the 10 commandments> e.g. do not kill/honour your father and mother etc

Jews follow the 613 Mitzvot> e.g. those between humans and God and those between each other

5. 'The 10 Commandments are outdated.'

Reasons to agree:

They are old> they are over 3 thousand years old and therefore out of date> e.g. "remember the sabbath day and keep it holy" is an unrealistic expectation in the Western world in 2020 where work, leisure and business do not stop on any day of the week. "do not make idols" Idolatry is an archaic practice that Jews do not need to worry about any more. Jews should instead focus on the three moral princples: "Tikkun Olam", "chesed" and tzedakah" rather than the ten outdated commandments. "Do not commit adultery" applies to sex before marriage and homosexual sex, both of these are socially acceptable today.

Reasons to disagree:

Just because they are old, does not mean they are outdated. They were given by God and God is unchanging and so his rules should always be followed. They are part of the covenant and covenants are permanent agreements so should always be followed - following the ten commandments are the Jews part of the agreement. The rules are still relevant "do not lie, do not steal and do not lie" are, and always will be relevant, no matter how old. "do not commit idolatry" is still relevant as people in 2020 still worship created things like money and power. "Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy" is the sign of the covenant and a special time every week for Jews to spend with God and family.

[12 marks]