

What Kind of Jew Am I?



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I've been asked this question countless times, and I've never had an easy answer. I'm not religious, but I'm not secular either. I'm not Israeli, but I'm not American either. I'm not Ashkenazi, but I'm not Sephardi either. I'm just... me.

I was born to a Jewish mother and a Christian father. My parents divorced when I was young, and I was raised by my mother in a secular household. I went to Hebrew school for a few years, but I never really felt like I fit in. I was the only kid in my class who didn't believe in God, and I was often teased for it.

As I got older, I started to explore my Jewish identity on my own. I read books about Jewish history and culture, and I started to attend synagogue. I found that I was drawn to the community and the sense of belonging that I felt there. But I still didn't feel like I fit in completely.

I was too religious for some people, and not religious enough for others. I was too Israeli for some people, and not Israeli enough for others. I was too Ashkenazi for some people, and not Ashkenazi enough for others. I was always on the outside looking in.

But I've come to realize that it's okay to not fit in. There is no one right way to be Jewish. I am who I am, and I'm proud of it.

I am a Jew by birth, by culture, and by choice. I am a Jew who is proud of my heritage, but who is also critical of my tradition. I am a Jew who is open to new ideas and new ways of thinking. I am a Jew who is committed to social justice and to making the world a better place.

I am a Jew, and I am still trying to figure out what that means. But I'm on a journey, and I'm excited to see where it takes me.

If you are interested in learning more about my journey, I encourage you to read my book, *What Kind of Jew Am I?* In this book, I share my personal experiences and reflections on Jewish identity. I hope that my story will resonate with you and help you on your own journey of self-discovery.



About the Author

I am a writer, speaker, and educator. I have written extensively about Jewish identity, culture, and history. I am the author of the book *What Kind of Jew Am I?* and the co-author of the book *The New Jewish Culture*.

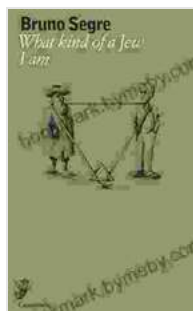
I have spoken at synagogues, universities, and community centers around the world. I have also taught courses on Jewish identity and culture at the University of California, Berkeley and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

I am passionate about helping people to explore their own Jewish identity. I believe that everyone has a unique story to tell, and I am committed to

providing a safe and supportive space for people to share their stories.

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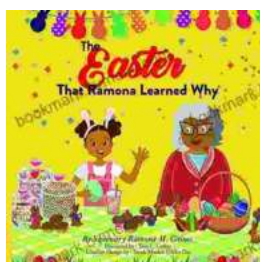
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