The Torah

Watch the video segments "Torah" and "Judean Sacred Texts" and consider the following questions:

1. What different sources went into the creation of the first five books of the Bible (known to Jews as the Torah)?

2. The video segment "Torah" emphasizes that the Jews were in exile in Babylon when the Torah was written down. Why would it have been so important for the Jews to record their beliefs, history, and legends at that particular time?