Hanukkah Vocabulary Words

dreidel	a children's game played with a small four-sided top with Hebrew letters marked on the sides, usually at Hanukkah
Kislev	the third month of the Jewish lunisolar calendar, occurring from late November through early December in the Gregorian calendar
latke	a pancake, especially one made of grated potatoes
menorah	a candelabrum or candlestick with seven or nine branches, used in Jewish worship
miracle	an event that cannot be explained by the known laws of nature and is therefore attributed to a supernatural or divine power
temple	a building or place where a deity or deities are worshiped
candle	a cylindrical stick of wax or wax like substance enclosing a wick and burned to give light
festival	an occasion for feasting or celebration, especially a day or time of religious significance that recurs at regular intervals.
gimel	the third letter of the Hebrew alphabet
hallel	a chant of praise used at Passover, Shabuoth, Sukkoth, Hanukkah and Rosh Hashanah
shin	the 22nd letter of the Hebrew alphabet
kugel	a baked pudding of noodles or potatoes, eggs, and seasonings, traditionally eaten on the Sabbath
celebration	to observe an occasion with appropriate ceremony or festivity
candelabra	a large decorative candlestick having several arms or branches
sundown	the time in the evening at which the sun begins to fall below the horizon
tradition	the passing down of elements of a culture from generation to generation, especially by oral communication

Hanukkah Songs

Hanukkah

Oh Hanukkah, oh Hanukkah, come light the Menorah, Let's have a party, we'll all dance the hora. Gather round the table, we'll give you a treat. Sevivon to play with, Latkes to eat. And while we are playing, The candles are burning low. One for each night, they shed a sweet light, To remind us of days long ago; One for each night, they shed a sweet light, To remind us of days long ago;

Who Can Retell

Who can retell, the things that befell us, Who can count them? In every age a hero or sage, Came to our aid.

Hark! In days of yore in Israel's ancient land, Brave Maccabeus led the faithful band. But now all Israel must as one arise, Redeem itself through deed and sacrifice.

Who can retell, the things that befell us, Who can count them? In every age a hero or sage, Came to our aid.

Hanukkah Songs

Dreidel, Spin, Spin, Spin

Dreidel, spin, spin, spin! Chanukah is a good holiday; Chanukah is a good holiday -Dreidel, spin, spin, spin!

It's a happy holiday for the people; A great miracle happened there; A great miracle happened there -It's a happy holiday for the people.

Hanukkah Word Search Worksheet

Directions: Find each word. All words are positioned left to right.

Y	М	М	В	Е	L	R	Е	K	U	G	Е	L	М	Е	N	0	R	A	Н	С	F	K
J	Т	Е	R	G	S	S	Ζ	R	М	W	N	Y	Q	J	С	Ζ	Η	S	Ζ	С	R	Е
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LATKES			MIRACLE
CANDLES	HALLEL	GIMEL	CELEBRATION
TRADITION	KUGEL	FESTIVAL	CANDELABRA
DREIDEL	TEMPLE	LATKE	MENORAH
KISLEV	SUNDOWN	SHIN	
NOLLV			

Hanukkah: Word Scramble Worksheet

Unscramble the words below.

- 1. reclmia_____
- 2. tiesflva_____
- 3. elgmi_____
- 4. sndlcea_____
- 5. kvlies_____
- 6. insh_____
- 7. ptlmee_____
- 8. dediler_____
- 9. gukle_____
- 10. ktlae_____
- 11. laelhl_____
- 12. enmaorh_____
- 13. dnwsnou_____



Do The Research!

Hanukkah

Directions: Research the topic indicated to the right. Then, answer each question.

Topic: Hanukkah

1. Who celebrates Hanukkah?	
2. What other names are used for this holiday?	
3. Why is this holiday celebrated? Describe its origin.	

Hanukkah Vocabulary Quiz Worksheet

Directions: Match each vocabulary word on the left with its definition on the right.

1. miracle	an event that cannot be explained by the known laws of nature and is therefore attributed to a supernatural or divine power
2. sundown	a baked pudding of noodles or potatoes, eggs, and seasonings, traditionally eaten on the Sabbath
3. dreidel	the time in the evening at which the sun begins to fall below the horizon
4. tradition	a children's game played with a small four-sided top with Hebrew letters marked on the sides, usually at Hanukkah
5. temple	a cylindrical stick of wax or wax like substance enclosing a wick and burned to give light
6. candelabra	a chant of praise used at Passover, Shabuoth, Sukkoth, Hanukkah and Rosh Hashanah
7. latke	the 22nd letter of the Hebrew alphabet
8. celebration	the third month of the Jewish lunisolar calendar, occurring from late November through early December in the Gregorian calendar
9. menorah	a large decorative candlestick having several arms or branches
10. Kislev	a building or place where a deity or deities are worshiped
11. candle	a pancake, especially one made of grated potatoes
12. gimel	to observe an occasion with appropriate ceremony or festivity
13. kugel	an occasion for feasting or celebration, especially a day or time of religious significance that recurs at regular intervals

Name	Date
14. hallel	the passing down of elements of a culture from generation to generation, especially by oral communication
15. festival	the third letter of the Hebrew alphabet
16. shin	a candelabrum or candlestick with seven or nine branches, used in Jewish worship

Hanukkah Acrostic Poem

An acrostic poem is a poem where each beginning letter in a name or word is used to tell something about that person or topic.

Example:

Sometimes when we go to the beach, I get a sunburn.

Usually, if I put sun block on my skin, I will not burn.

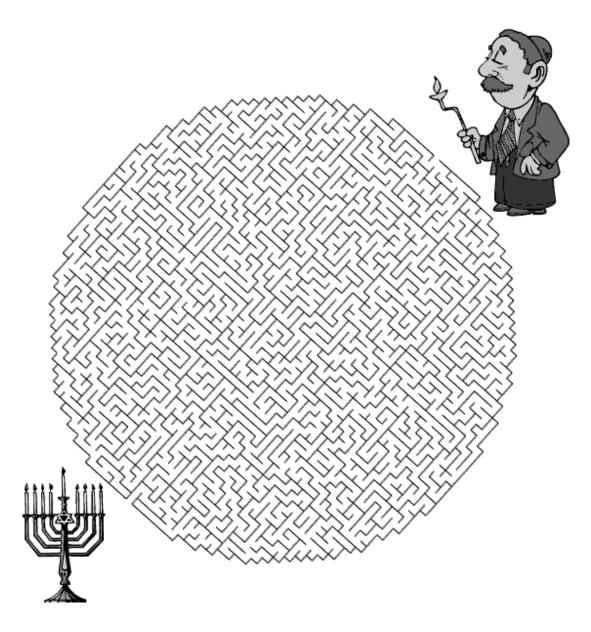
Noontime is when I'm really prone to burning.

Write an acrostic poem using the word below.

Hanukkah Maze Worksheet

Directions:

It's nightfall! Help the man find the menorah, so he can light it.



Hanukkah

K	W	L
What I Know	What I <i>Want</i> To Learn	What I Have Learned

Hanukkah Group Creative Writing

Directions: As a group you have 25 minutes to write a brief story using the words, or variations of the words, below.

candles	festival	kislev	kugel
latkes	dreidel	latke	celebration
miracle	gimel	shin	candelabra
temple	hallel	menorah	sundown

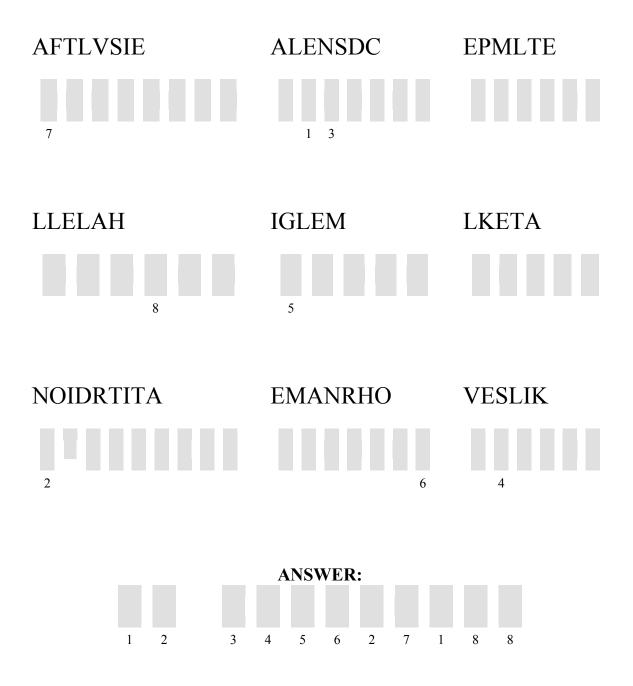


Hanukkah cryptogram

Directions: Unscramble each word by placing the correct letter in the shaded boxes. Use letters from each numbered box to answer the riddle.

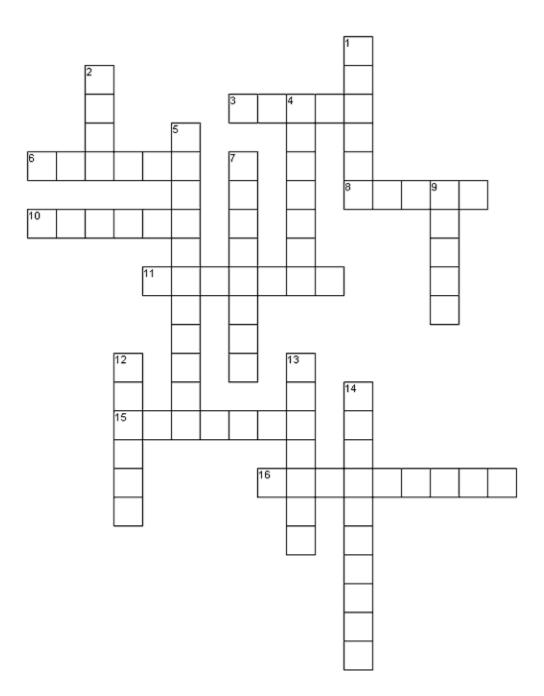
RIDDLE:

This time of day is ideal to light the menorah. What time of day is it?



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Hanukkah Crossword Puzzle Worksheet



Across

3. the third letter of the Hebrew alphabet

6. a cylindrical stick of wax or wax like substance enclosing a wick and burned to give light

8. a pancake, especially one made of grated potatoes

10. a building or place where a deity or deities are worshiped

11. a children's game played with a small four-sided top with Hebrew letters marked on the sides. usually at Hanukkah

15. the time in the evening at

which the sun begins to fall below the horizon

of a culture from generation to generation, especially by oral communication.

Down

1. a chant of praise used at Passover, Shabuoth, Sukkoth, Hanukkah and Rosh Hashanah

2. the 22nd letter of the Hebrew alphabet

4. an event that cannot be explained by the known laws of nature and is therefore attributed to a supernatural or divine power

5. to observe an occasion with appropriate ceremony or festivity

7. an occasion for feasting or celebration, especially a day or time of religious significance that recurs at regular intervals

9. a baked pudding of noodles or potatoes, eggs, and seasonings, 16. the passing down of elements traditionally eaten on the Sabbath

> 12. the third month of the Jewish lunisolar calendar, occurring from late November through early December in the Gregorian calendar

13. a candelabrum or candlestick with seven or nine branches, used in Jewish worship

14. a large decorative candlestick having several arms or branches

Hanukkah Chop Worksheet

Directions: The table below contains words that have been broken apart. Find the parts that fit together to form a word. Write each word on the lines provided.

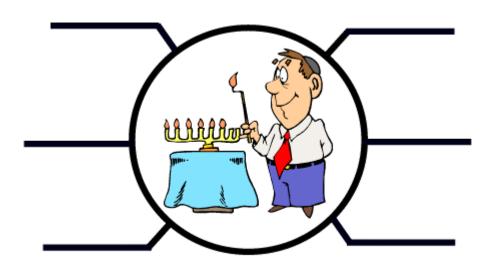
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orah	down	lat	mel
celeb	trad	cande	gel
dre	fest	kis	acle
hal	can	ration	lev
labra	la	dles	mir
gi	ival	ple	sun
men	in	ition	tke
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Answers:

Hanukkah: Adjectives Worksheet

Directions:

Adjectives are words used to describe a noun. Write an adjective on each line to describe a menorah.



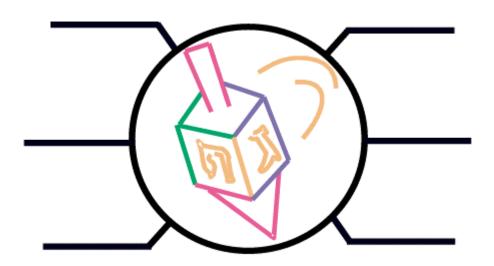
Write a sentence using each of the adjectives above.

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Hanukkah: Adjectives Worksheet

Directions:

Adjectives are words used to describe a noun. Write an adjective on each line to describe a dreidel.



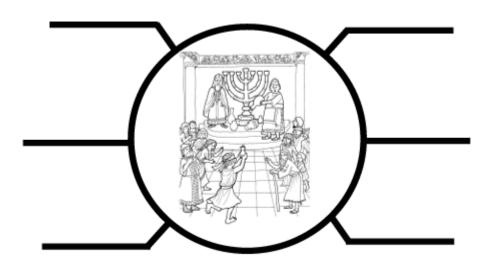
Write a sentence using each of the adjectives above.

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Hanukkah: Adjectives Worksheet

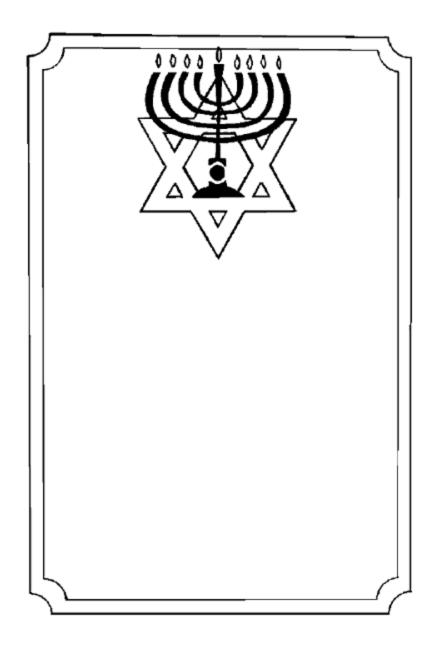
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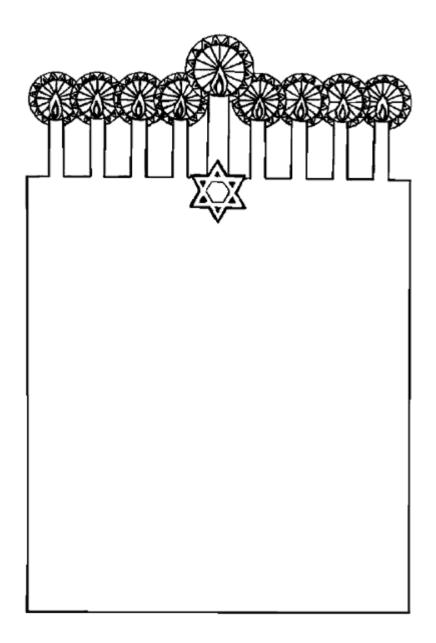
Adjectives are words used to describe a noun. Write an adjective on each line to describe a celebration.

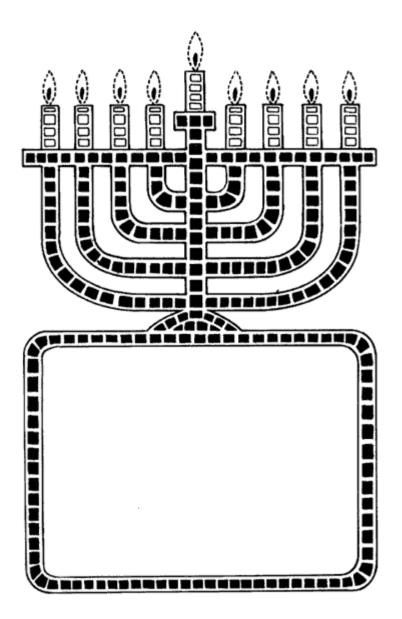


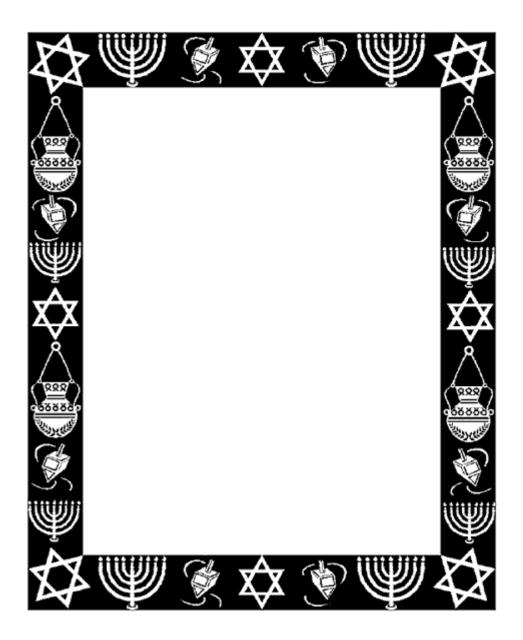
Write a sentence using each of the adjectives above.

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Answer Key

- Page 5 miracle, festival, gimel, candles, Kislev, shin, temle, dreidel, kugel, latke, hallel, menorah, sundown
- Page 6 Answers will vary.
- Page 7 See worksheet page 1.
- Page 13 festival, candles , temple

hallel, gimel, latke

tradition, menorah, Kislev

Page 15 Across: 3. gimel, 6. candle, 8. latke, 10. temple, 11. dreidel, 15. sundown, 16. tradition

Down: 1. hallel, 2. shin, 4. miracle, 5. celebration, 7. festival, 9. kugel, 12. Kislev, 13. menorah, 14. candelabra

Page 16 dreidel, Kislev, latke, menorah, miracle, temple, candle, festival, gimel, hallel, shin, kugel, celebration, candelabra, sundown, tradition