

BACKLIST

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Iconic Jewish Children's Books

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**Rifka Takes a Bow**

Betty Rosenberg Perlov, Cosei Kawa
9780761381280
Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1
Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3
\$9.99 USD
32 pages
Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Rifka's parents are actors in the Yiddish Theater in New York, but one day Rifka finds herself center stage in a special role! A slice of immigrant life on New York's Second Avenue, this is a unique book about a vanished time and a place – the Yiddish theater in the early 20th century—made real through the telling of the true life story of the 96-year-old author as a little girl.

Contributor Bio:

Betty Rosenberg Perlov, age 96, grew up in the Yiddish Theater, where her mother was an actress and her father a producer. Always artistic, she was a "child star" on her father's weekly Yiddish radio soap opera. In her 50's, she decided to go to college, where she acquired a BA and then, in her 60's, an MS in Speech Pathology. She has always worked hard to share her artistic vision; this book is her triumph. She lives in the Park Slope section of Brooklyn, New York and will be n...

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**And There Was Evening, And There Was Morning**

Ellen Kahan Zager, Harriet Cohen Helfand
9781512483642
Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1
Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3
\$17.99 USD
24 pages
Hardcover

Summary: *The world began when God said "Light," And changed the world from dark to bright.*

Gentle rhyming couplets tell the story of how God created the world, describing six days of work fashioning everything from seas and clouds to animals and people, to—finally—resting on Shabbat.

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Kahan Zager has served the Jewish community in many ways with her creative abilities, from designing museum installations to serving on Federation and day school boards. Ellen lives in Baltimore.

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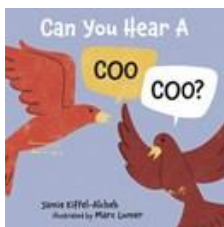
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**Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?**

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Marc Lumer

9781512444438

Pub Date: 1/1/18, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: *Was that noise a roar, roar? Lions! Shake the floor, floor.*

Animals board Noah's Ark two-by-two, heralding their arrival with sounds both ferocious and gentle.

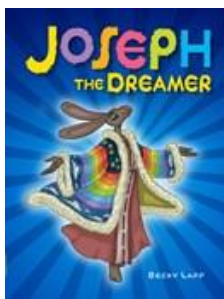
Introduce young readers to the classic bible story through delightful rhymes and colorful illustrations.

Contributor Bio:

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh regularly writes for National Geographic KIDS. Her many books include *Hard Hat Cat*, *Kol Hakavod: Way to Go!*, *A Hoopoe says Oop!*, *Rah! Rah! Mujadara*, *Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?* and *Listen! Israel's All Around*. She is also a lyricist for pop songs, advertisements and motion pictures. She lives in Burbank, California. Marc Lumer is a children's book writer/illustrator and an animator. He worked as a visual development artist on

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**Joseph the Dreamer**

Becky Laff

9781467778503

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 10, Grades K to 4

\$7.99 USD

48 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Joseph has always believed he is special. He's his father's favorite son—out of twelve!—and he has amazing dreams unlike anyone else's. But when his father gives him a beautiful multicolored coat—a coat fit for a king—Joseph's jealous brothers decide enough is enough. Joseph's life suddenly changes forever. Finding himself a prisoner in a foreign land, he must draw strength from within and use his gifts in ways he never imagined possible.

Contributor Bio:

Becky Laff is an author, illustrator and story artist. Her theater illustrations and poster art have been used by the Tony Award-Winning Children's Theatre Company in Minneapolis, Minnesota as well as Columbia Children's Theater in Columbia, South Carolina. This is her first children's book. She lives in Minneapolis.

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**Miriam at the River**

Jane Yolen, Khoa Le

9781541544000

Pub Date: 2/4/20, On Sale Date: 2/4

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

A lyrical kid-friendly telling of the famous Bible story of baby Moses in his basket being set on the River Nile by big sister Miriam, who continues to watch over him as he becomes the Prince of Egypt

Summary: The biblical story of baby Moses as told by his big sister.

Giving her baby brother a kiss, brave little Miriam places Moses's basket into the river. With one quick push, she sends him into the water, hoping her wish will come true and her brother will be saved from Pharaoh's orders. But will Pharaoh's daughter arrive in time to rescue him?

Contributor Bio:

Jane Yolen lives in Massachusetts and has written more

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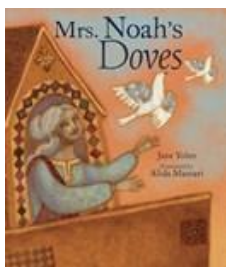
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**Mrs. Noah's Doves**

Jane Yolen, Alida Massari

9781728424262

Pub Date: 5/1/22, On Sale Date: 5/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

32 pages

Hardcover

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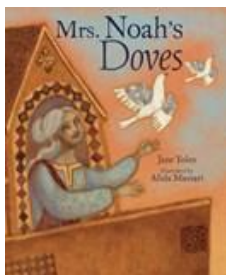
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Contributor Bio:

Jane Yolen lives in Massachusetts and has written more than 400 books across all genres and age ranges, including the Sydney Taylor Honor book *Miriam at the River*. In 2022 she was named the The Sydney Taylor Body-of-Work Winner. She has been called the Hans Christian Andersen of America and the Aesop of the twentieth century.

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**Nicanor's Gate**

Eric A. Kimmel, Alida Massari

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Pub Date: 8/1/20, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Other Formats

9781541574533 \$7.99 8/1/2020

Summary: Set in biblical times, the story of Nicanor's Gate—one of the entrances to the Temple in Jerusalem—shows how a man's faith is important to living a happy, fulfilled life. Nicanor, a wealthy merchant from Alexandria, is thrilled when King Herod calls on him to assist in rebuilding the ruined Temple in Jerusalem. Nicanor orders massive, beautifully intricate doors to be built, especially for the Eastern Gate of the Temple, but disaster strikes while the gates are being shipped from Alexan...

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**Og's Ark**

Allison Marks, Wayne Marks, Martina Peluso

9781467761499

Pub Date: 1/1/16, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Series: Bible

Summary: Og the giant is so big that no bed is large enough or strong enough to hold him. He never gets a good night's sleep—but all the animals know he has a gentle heart under his groggy grumpiness. Then a man named Noah asks for Og's help, and Og's life changes forever.

Contributor Bio:

Allison Marks worked for over two decades as the librarian at Temple Israel in Akron, Ohio. She also reviewed Jewish children's books for the Association of Jewish Libraries newsletter. Alongside her husband, she has co-written multiple books, such as *Og's Ark* and *The Art Lesson*.

Wayne Marks has worked as a proofreader and copywriter for 30 years. Wayne plays fiddle in a local Irish group and writes and records novelty tunes with the band, The Brothers Marks, played on the *Dr. De...*

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**The Littlest Mountain**

Barb Rosenstock, Melanie Hall

9780761344971

Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: God realizes that the people of the world need rules to live by, and decides to speak to them from a mountaintop. Beautiful Mount Carmel, tall Mount Hermon, and majestic Mount Tabor all vie for the honor of being chosen. But little Mount Sinai is silent. Which mountain will God select?

Contributor Bio:

Orbis Pictus Honoree **Barb Rosenstock** grew up in a rural suburb south of Chicago. She married and raised two sons who loved picture books, so Barb read thousands of them. She started writing for children while finishing a Master's Degree in teaching.

Melanie Hall grew up in Manchester-By-the-Sea, Massachusetts. She attended the Rhode Island School of Design and Pratt Institute, receiving her B.F.A. from Pratt Institute. She went on to earn her Master's Degree at Marvwood Universit...

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**The World Needs Beautiful Things**

Leah Rachel Berkowitz, Daniele Fabbri

9781512444483

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Young Bezalel is different from the other Israelite slaves in Egypt. He loves to collect stones, bugs, bits of string—these all seem beautiful to him. He keeps everything in his Beautiful Things Box and takes it with him everywhere. As the Israelites wander in the desert, God asks them to build a very special house—and Bezalel may be the only one who can create something beautiful enough to honor God.

Contributor Bio:

Rabbi Leah Rachel Berkowitz is a graduate of Brandeis University and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. She has written extensively for adults and teens about Judaism, spirituality, and women's experiences. She lives in Poughkeepsie, New York.

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32 pages

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**Where's the Potty on This Ark?**

Kerry Olitzky, Abigail Tompkins

9781512483703

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

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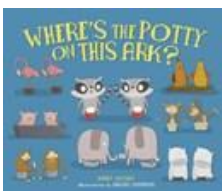
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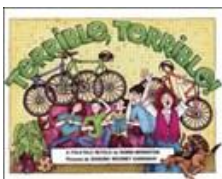
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**Terrible, Terrible! : A Folktale Retold**

Robin Bernstein, Shauna Mooney Kawasaki

9781580130172

Pub Date: 8/1/98, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 10, Grades P to 4

\$6.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When Abigail and her mom move in with her new stepfather and siblings, the house is too crowded. She turns to the rabbi, the wisest person she knows, but even Abigail isn't prepared for what happens when she follows her advice.

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**Rosh Hashanah: A Family Service : A Family Service**

Judy Abrams, Katherine Janus Kahn
 9780929371160
 Pub Date: 8/1/90, On Sale Date: 8/1
 Ages 4 to 11, Grades P to 5
 \$4.95 USD
 32 pages
 Trade Paperback

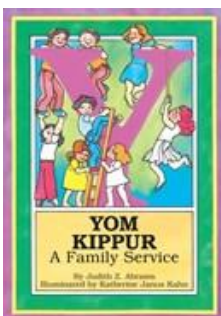
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**Yom Kippur: A Family Service : A Family Service**

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**A Dreidel in Time : A New Spin on an Old Tale**

Marcia Berneger, Beatriz Castro
 9781541546721
 Pub Date: 9/1/19, On Sale Date: 9/1
 Ages 8 to 13, Grades 3 to 7
 \$17.99 USD
 88 pages
 Hardcover

Summary: Devorah and Benjamin are excited to open their Hanukkah present from Bubbe and Zayde, which turns out to be an ugly old dreidel. It's a big disappointment—until the dreidel transports them out of modern Los Angeles to join the ancient Maccabees! Once they convince a suspicious Judah Maccabee and their new friends that they've arrived to help, they use what they know about the Hanukkah story from Hebrew school to aid the Maccabees in their battle against Antiochus. The kids know that the...

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**A Hanukkah with Mazel**

Joel Edward Stein, Elisa Vavouri

9781467781763

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Misha, a poor artist, has no one to celebrate Hanukkah with until he discovers a hungry cat in his barn. The lucky little cat, whom Misha names Mazel, inspires Misha to turn each night of Hanukkah into something special. He doesn't have money for Hanukkah candles, but he can use his artistic skills to bring light to his home—as Mazel brings good luck to his life.

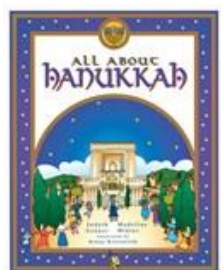
Contributor Bio:

Joel Stein is a former staff writer for CTB/McGraw-Hill. A member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, he lives in Florida with his wife, son, two birds, and a tortoise. His books include *A Hanukkah with Mazel*, *The Pigeon Man*, and *The Capture of Rafael Ortega*.

Elisa Vavouri was born in Athens, Greece. She studied art, graphic design, and painting at the Vakalo Art and Design College in Athens. She has illustrated more than 70 books. She lives in Germany.

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**All About Hanukkah**

Judyth Groner, Madeline Wikler, Kinny Kreiswirth

9781580130516

Pub Date: 8/1/99, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 11, Grades K to 5

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: The story of Hanukkah complete with candle blessings, rules for playing dreidel and other games, recipes, songs, and thoughts on miracles, giving, and more.

Contributor Bio:

Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler founded Kar-Ben Copies, Inc. in 1975, with the publication of *My Very Own Haggadah*, which they wrote and illustrated. The book has sold over 2 million copies and is still in print. They have authored more than two dozen books, as well as 36 editions of *My Very Own Jewish Calendar*, and have received the prestigious *Sydney Taylor Body of Work Award* from the Association of Jewish Libraries.

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**Barnyard Bubbe's Hanukkah**

Joni Klein-Higger, Barbara Sharf, Monica Gutierrez
9781541522152

Pub Date: 9/1/19, On Sale Date: 9/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: Neigh! Oink! Bah! Whimsical farm animals leave presents for Bubbe during Hanukkah. What will Bubbe do with these thoughtful gifts?

Contributor Bio:

Joni Klein-Higger is an award-winning children's book author, songwriter, and musical theater playwright. Joni's songs have been featured in motion pictures, and her children's songs and musicals can be frequently heard in schools across the country. Joni lives in Tampa Bay, Florida.

Barbara Sharf is a children's book author and actor who loves writing fun, quirky picture books. Her love for animals frequently shines through in her work. Just ask her dog, Sophie! Originally from ...

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**Dinosaur on Hanukkah**

Diane Levin Rauchwerger, Jason Wolff
9781580131438

Pub Date: 8/1/05, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: This tale of a mischievous dinosaur who visits a boy on Hanukkah and causes a commotion as he helps celebrate the holiday will bring giggles to children who may recognize themselves (or their siblings!) in some of the dino's exploits.

Contributor Bio:

Diane Levin Rauchwerger (The Dinosaur on Hanukkah) is a children's librarian as well as a synagogue librarian, where she runs a Jewish Mother Goose program using many of her own original songs and rhymes. She enjoys reading, hiking, quilting, photography, singing, and knitting. She and her husband have two grown children and live in Sunnyvale, CA.

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**Dreidel Day**

Amalia Hoffman

9781541502451

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

18 pages

Board Book

Summary: A sweet and playful cat encourages the reader to count to eight to celebrate Hanukkah. Can you spot the hidden objects? Celebrate Hanukkah, the eight-day Festival of Lights, with *Dreidel Day*!

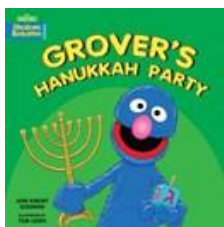
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**Grover's Hanukkah Party**

Joni Kibort Sussman, Tom Leigh

9781541529236

Pub Date: 9/1/19, On Sale Date: 9/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: At Hanukkah, 8 is especially great! Use this fun board book to count party guests, candles, latkes, and more!

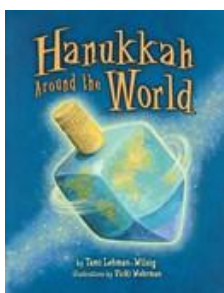
Contributor Bio:

Joni Sussman's books include *My First Yiddish Word Book*, and four Jewish-themed *Sesame Street* board books.

Tom Leigh is a children's book author and longtime illustrator of *Sesame Street* and *Muppet* books. He lives on Little Deer Isle off the coast of Maine.

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**Hanukkah Around the World**

Tami Lehman-Wilzig, Vicki Wehrman

9780822587620

Pub Date: 8/1/09, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5

\$7.99 USD

48 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Take a trip to Italy, Uzbekistan, Tunisia, and beyond to see how Hanukkah is celebrated around the world. Join the torch relay in Modi'in, Israel; the Ladino concert in Istanbul, Turkey; and the candle lighting on the beach in Sydney, Australia. Try the delicious and unusual recipes for fried burmelos, latkes, and precipizi that recall the miracle of the little jug of oil in the Hanukkah story.

Contributor Bio:

Born in the United States, **Tami Lehman-Wilzig** now lives in Israel. She has a Bachelor's Degree in English Literature and an M.A. in Communications from Boston University. She is one of Israel's leading English language copywriters. Her children's books include *Tasty Bible Stories*, *Keeping the Promise*, *Passover Around the World*, *Hanukkah Around the World* and *Luis de Torres Sails to Freedom*. She lives in Kfar Saba, Israel.

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**Hanukkah Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781467752411

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Hanukkah

Summary: Readers join a cute family and their dog as they light the menorah, eat latkes, unwrap gifts, sing songs, play dreidel, eat chocolate Hanukkah gelt, and march like Maccabees during the eight nights of Hanukkah in this cute 12-page board book. Includes "3D-feeling" art by Viviana Garofoli.

Contributor Bio:

Tracy Newman has written numerous books for children, including *Itzhak: A Boy who Loved the Violin*, which won a Schneider Family Honor. Her writing inspiration comes from her adventures raising her children. She lives in Connecticut.

Viviana Garofoli was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she lives with her husband and two daughters. She has illustrated more than 70 children's books.

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**Hello, Hanukkah!**

Susan S. Novich

9781728403441

Pub Date: 10/1/21, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

18 pages

Board Book

Unusual cut paper artwork makes this concept Hanukkah book stand out

Summary: "Hello, Hanukkah!" says the friendly badger as he prepares to count the candles in the Hanukkah menorah. This whimsical board book features a cute and clever badger teaching counting and coloring concepts along with Hanukkah customs.

Contributor Bio:

Susan S. Novich finds inspiration in the tiny scraps of paper that other people would likely throw away. She has a BA from Simmons College and a certificate in Children's Book Illustration from the Rhode Island School of Design. The mother of three grown children, she lives in Providence, Rhode Island, with her husband, Bruce, and dog, Coco, a

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**It's Hanukkah Time!**

Latifa Berry Kropf, Tod Cohen

9780761383062

Pub Date: 8/1/11, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$8.95 USD

24 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: This photo essay shows preschoolers celebrating with their grandparents at a Hanukkah party. Vibrant full-color photos show students lighting the menorah, playing dreidel and telling the story of Judah Maccabee. This book is ideal for helping educators initiate Hanukkah celebrations in their own classrooms and kids will love seeing children their own age in the pictures. A perfect companion to *It's Challah Time!* and *It's Sukkah Time!*

Contributor Bio:

Latifa Berry Kropf teaches preschool, remedial reading, and Israeli dancing. She is the author of *It's Challah Time!*, *It's Sukkah Time!*, *It's Seder Time!*, and *It's Hanukkah Time!* She lives in Charlottesville, Virginia.

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**Kugel for Hanukkah?**

Gretchen M. Everin, Rebecca Ashdown

9781541534711

Pub Date: 9/1/19, On Sale Date: 9/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$8.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: As each of Hanukkah's first seven nights brings an unusual new present to a little girl, the mystery deepens. While the gifts grandma receives add up to a delicious Hanukkah treat, her granddaughter's gifts don't seem to make much sense. Until the eighth night they finally do!

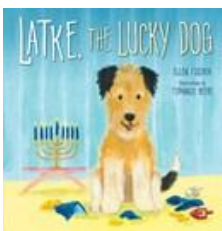
Contributor Bio:

Gretchen M. Everin wrote her first story when her oldest child was a baby and hasn't stopped since. When not writing, she volunteers in an elementary school library. She lives in Rhode Island with her husband and three children.

Rebecca Ashdown is an award-winning and internationally published author and illustrator. She grew up on the south coast of England, where she spent most of her childhood running wild, drawing and writing, or lost in the pages of a book. She lives with he...

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**Latke, the Lucky Dog**

Ellen Fischer, Tiphonie Beeke

9780761390398

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

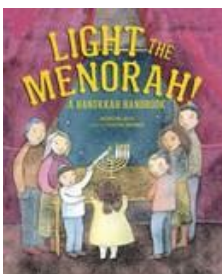
Summary: Rescued from an animal shelter on the first night of Hanukkah, Latke has trouble learning the house rules. Despite a series of mishaps, he is one Lucky Dog!

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Fischer was born in St. Louis. Following graduation from Washington University, she taught children with special needs and then ESL at a Jewish Day School. She lives in Greensboro, North Carolina with her husband. They have three children.

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**Light the Menorah! : A Hanukkah Handbook**

Jacqueline Jules, Kristina Swarner

9781512483697

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 11, Grades P to 5

\$8.99 USD

40 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: In this Hanukkah manual for the contemporary Jewish family, holiday history, rituals, activities, songs, and recipes provide tools for creating meaningful family moments in the light of the menorah. The book includes brief reflections to read aloud before reciting the candle-lighting blessings on each of the eight nights of Hanukkah.

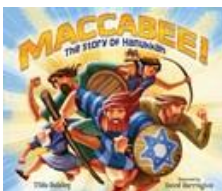
Contributor Bio:

Jacqueline Jules is an award-winning author and poet. Her many children's books include *The Hardest Word* (National Jewish Book Award finalist), *What a Way to Start the New Year! A Rosh Hashanah Story*, and *Moses and the Runaway Lamb*. She lives in Long Island, New York.

Kristina Swarner decided to become an artist at the age of 3, and has been drawing ever since. A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design, she has created award-winning illustrations for many children's books. ...

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**Maccabee! : The Story of Hanukkah**

Tilda Balsley, David Harrington

9780761345084

Pub Date: 8/1/10, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Judah and the little army of Maccabees fight to free Jerusalem from the cruel King Antiochus in this vibrant and action-filled rhyming version of the famous Hanukkah story.

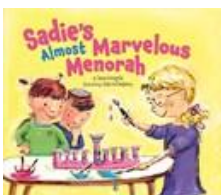
Contributor Bio:

Tilda Balsley has written many books for Kar-Ben, bringing her stories to life with rhyme, rhythm, and humor. Tilda lives with her husband and their rescue Shih Tzu in Reidsville, North Carolina.

David Harrington attended and graduated from Art Center College of Design with a BFA in illustration, awarded with honors, in Pasadena, California. His art has been used in TV, film and video in addition to children's books. He lives in Laguna Hills, CA.

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**Sadie's Almost Marvelous Menorah**

Jamie Korngold, Julie Fortenberry

9780761364955

Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When Sadie runs to show her mother the Hanukkah menorah she made in school, she trips, the menorah shatters, and she is devastated. But she finds that the shammash candle is unbroken, and a new family tradition is born.

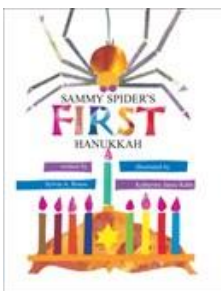
Contributor Bio:

Rabbi Jamie S. Korngold received ordination from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is the founder and spiritual leader of the Adventure Rabbi Program. She lives in Boulder, Colorado with her two daughters, Sadie and Ori.

Julie Fortenberry is an abstract painter and a children's book illustrator. She has a Master of Fine Arts from Hunter College in New York, and lives in Philadelphia.

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**Sammy Spider's First Hanukkah**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9780929371467

Pub Date: 8/1/93, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Sammy Spider watches longingly as Josh Shapiro lights another candle and receives another brightly-colored dreidel each night of Hanukkah.

Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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**Sammy Spider's First Taste of Hanukkah : A Cookbook**

Genene Levy Turndorf, Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9781467752435

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Other Formats

9781467752374 \$16.99 8/1/2015

Summary: This 15th book in Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series finds Sammy and his human friend Josh presenting a delightful cookbook of Hanukkah recipes and crafts. With four chapters of Hanukkah recipes for snacks, meals, treats and crafts, this book is a nice addition to the **Sammy Spider** series and a fun and useful book for families looking to enhance their Hanukkah celebrations. Includes Katherine Kahn's iconic Sammy art.

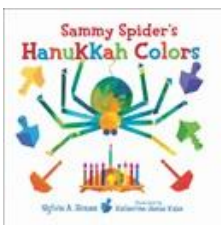
Contributor Bio:

Genene Levy Turndorf is a graduate of Stephens College with a degree in early childhood and elementary education, and she has developed a popular cooking class for children. Genene and her family live in Los Angeles, California.

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series.

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**Sammy Spider's Hanukkah Colors**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781467752381

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

Summary: Sammy Spider and his buddy Josh are back in their third holiday board book! This time Sammy is enjoying the Hanukkah celebration with his human while also learning about colors. A companion to *Sammy Spider's Passover Shapes* and *Sammy Spider's First Book of Jewish Holidays*.

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**The Count's Hanukkah Countdown**

Ellen Fischer, Tilda Balsley, Tom Leigh
9780761375579

Pub Date: 8/1/12, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: At a Hanukkah party on Sesame Street, Grover and the Count welcome visiting Israeli Muppet friends Brosh and Avigail, tell the story of Hanukkah, feast on latkes, and learn that EIGHT is the perfect Hanukkah number.

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Fischer was born in St. Louis. Following graduation from Washington University, she taught children with special needs and then ESL at a Jewish Day School. She lives in Greensboro, North Carolina with her husband. They have three children.

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Tom Leigh is a children's book author and I...

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**The Missing Letters : A Dreidel Story**

Renee Londner, Iryna Bodnaruk
9781467789332

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: It's almost Hanukkah and the dreidel-maker's shop is busy. But all is not well for the four Hebrew letters that will soon go on the wooden tops. The *Heys*, the *Nuns*, and the *Shins* are jealous of everyone's favorite letter, the *Gimel*. They decide to hide the *Gimels* so that the dreidel-maker can't use them. But then the other letters learn that the Hanukkah story wouldn't be complete without the *Gimels*! Is it too late for the missing letters to be found?

Contributor Bio:

Renee Londner is the author of children's books including *Ruby's Whistle* and *Stones for Grandpa*, a Sydney Taylor Honor Book. Her stories have also appeared in magazines including *Jewish Family*, *Shofar*, and *Spider*. She lives in Connecticut.

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32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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**The Three Latkes**

Eric A. Kimmel, Feronia Parker-Thomas

9781541588929

Pub Date: 10/1/21, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

A fun new Hanukkah story for this perpetually popular category

Summary: When three Hanukkah latkes fight over which of them tastes the best, the winner is decided by the family cat. Which will he choose? The excited latkes can't wait to find out, but perhaps they should be careful what they wish for!

Contributor Bio:

Eric A. Kimmel has been writing for children for more than 40 years. His 100-plus titles include such classics as *Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock* and *The Chanukkah Guest*. He lives in Portland, Oregon.

Feronia Parker-Thomas was born and raised in South West England. She studied at Camberwell College of Art in London. She and her family now call Bristol home.

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**There Was a Young Rabbi : A Hanukkah Tale**

Suzanne Wolfe, Jeffrey Ebbeler

9781541576087

Pub Date: 9/1/20, On Sale Date: 9/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Hanukkah is a very busy time! Join the young rabbi as she makes festive preparations—spinning the dreidel, cooking a tasty meal, lighting the menorah, and more—in this cumulative, rhyming story reminding readers of the Hanukkah miracle of long ago! Learn about Hanukkah's festivities and rituals, and about the Jewish holiday itself.

Contributor Bio:

Suzanne Wolfe is a retired teacher living in Jenks, Oklahoma, a suburb of Tulsa. A graduate of The University of Central Arkansas in Conway, Arkansas, she taught for over 34 years in public schools in Oklahoma and Texas.

Jeffrey Ebbeler loves the creative potential of storybook art. He gives lectures and demonstrations in schools, colleges, and museums about the process of bringing words to life through pictures. He lives in Cincinnati with his wife and twin daughters. His books ...

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**Way Too Many Latkes : A Hanukkah in Chelm**

Linda Glaser, Aleksandar Zolotic

9781512420920

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

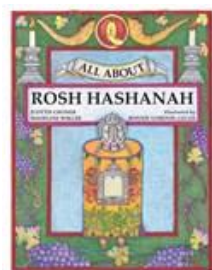
Summary: Faigel makes the best Hanukkah latkes in Chelm, but somehow, this year she's forgotten how to make them! She sends her husband, Shmuel, to ask the rabbi for help. And in Chelm, the village of fools—oy vey!—this becomes a recipe for disaster!

Contributor Bio:

Aleksandar Zolotic is an award-winning illustrator who lives in Serbia with his family. In addition to illustrating children's books, he has worked on comic books and video games.

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**All About Rosh Hashanah**

Judyth Groner, Madeline Wikler, Bonnie Gordon Lucas

9781580130042

Pub Date: 8/1/97, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades P to 5

\$10.95 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

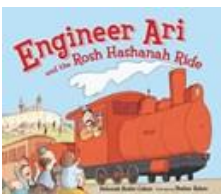
Summary: With its delightful folktales, songs, and blessings, this illustrated introduction to Rosh Hashanah captures the essence of the holiday of renewal.

Contributor Bio:

Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler founded Kar-Ben Copies, Inc. in 1975, with the publication of *My Very Own Haggadah*, which they wrote and illustrated. The book has sold over 2 million copies and is still in print. They have authored more than two dozen books, as well as 36 editions of *My Very Own Jewish Calendar*, and have received the prestigious *Sydney Taylor Body of Work Award* from the Association of Jewish Libraries.

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**Engineer Ari and the Rosh Hashanah Ride**

Deborah Bodin Cohen, Shahar Kober

9780822586500

Pub Date: 8/1/08, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

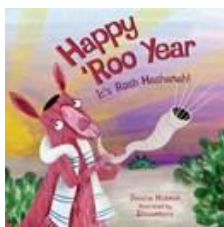
Summary: A Rosh Hashanah story based on the first historic train ride from Jaffa to Jerusalem in 1892, shortening the journey between the two cities from 3 days to 3 hours. Engineer Ari's train is coming to Jerusalem collecting goodies along the way to celebrate the Jewish new year, and he learns an important lesson along the way.

Contributor Bio:

Deborah Bodin Cohen was ordained at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. She is the author of many children's books including the Engineer Ari series, *The Seventh Day*, *Papa Jethro*, and *Nachshon Who Was Afraid to Swim*. Her books have received numerous honors, including a National Jewish Book award, Sydney Taylor honor designations and the Sugarman prize. She lives in Rockville, MD, with her husband David and three children.

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**Happy Roo Year : It's Rosh Hashanah**

Jessica Hickman, Elissambura

9781728427904

Pub Date: 8/1/21, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

12 pages

Board Book

A kangaroo family and friends celebrate Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year in their own special way

Summary: *They think about the year gone by.*

They celebrate and schmooze.

They're really just like you and me—

except they're KANGAROOS.

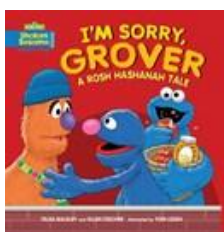
Join a kooky cartoon-y kangaroo family in the Australian outback as they celebrate Rosh Hashanah! Learn about the traditions of the Jewish New Year in this rhyming board book, as a community of rambunctious 'roos celebrates the holiday.

Contributor Bio:

Jessica Hickman is a South Florida native, proud mama, and children's book author. She lives in Austin, Texas, with

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**I'm Sorry, Grover : A Rosh Hashanah Tale**

Ellen Fischer, Tilda Balsley, Tom Leigh

9780761375616

Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 6, Grades P to K

\$6.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: **Hello everybodeee! This is your furry friend Grover wishing you a Shanah Tovah. That is Hebrew for "Happy New Year."**

I am here in Israel with my favorite Cookie Monster, and I am going to tell you how my friend Brosh learned to be an even better friend in the New Year.

Brosh can't find his blue cap, and suspects that one of his friends has taken it. When Grover returns the lost item, Brosh is glad that the High Holidays offer him a chance to say, "I'm sorry."

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Fischer was born in St. Louis. Following graduation from Washington University, she taught children with special needs and then ESL at a Jewish Day School. She lives in Greensboro, North Carolina with her husband. They have

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**Rosh Hashanah Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781467779883

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: Introduce young children to Jewish life with Very First Board Books.

Crack the eggs. Hear the sound?

Make this braided challah round.

Rosh Hashanah is coming.

This sweet board book celebrates the Jewish New Year, and is the fourth in Tracy Newman's Jewish holiday series. As Kirkus said of *Shabbat is Coming!*, a previous book in this series, ". . . the bouncy verse and Garofoli's richly colored, slightly three-dimensional cartoons against canvas-textured background provide a compelling...

Contributor Bio:

Tracy Newman has written numerous books for children, including *Itzhak: A Boy who Loved the Violin*, which won a Schneider Family Honor. Her writing inspiration comes from

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**Rosh Hashanah with Uncle Max**

Varda Livney

9781728429069

Pub Date: 8/1/21, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 0 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

24 pages

Board Book

It's the birthday of the world and Uncle Max shows up for the party

Summary: Uncle Max is coming to celebrate Rosh Hashanah, the birthday of the world, with the people he loves. They watch the sun go down, eat their holiday meal, dip challah and apples into honey for a sweet year, and listen to the sound of the shofar.

Contributor Bio:

Varda Livney grew up in the United States and now lives with her family on Kibbutz Gezer, between the baseball field and the dairy barn. She can hear the crack of the bat and smell the cows while she draws. She has illustrated 10 children's books, including one she also authored.

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**Sammy Spider's First Rosh Hashanah**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9780929371993

Pub Date: 8/1/96, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Sammy Spider wants to taste the golden honey the Shapiros set out for a sweet New Year. Mom tells him to stick to spinning webs, but will curious Sammy listen?

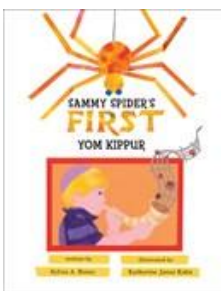
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**Sammy Spider's First Yom Kippur**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9780761391968

Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When Josh breaks the rules and plays ball indoors, he finds himself apologizing not only to his parents, but to Sammy Spider as well. A Yom Kippur story about saying, "I'm sorry."

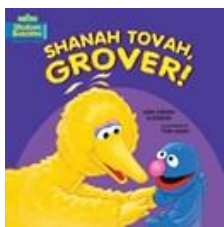
Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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**Shanah Tovah, Grover!**

Joni Kibort Sussman, Tom Leigh
9781541529229

Pub Date: 8/1/19, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: *Shanah Tovah, everybodeeee! Help Grover get ready to welcome the Jewish New Year.*

Familiar *Sesame Street* characters teach the objects and rituals of the Jewish New Year in this bright and fun board book.

Contributor Bio:

Joni Sussman's books include *My First Yiddish Word Book*, and four Jewish-themed *Sesame Street* board books.

Tom Leigh is a children's book author and longtime illustrator of *Sesame Street* and *Muppet* books. He lives on Little Deer Isle off the coast of Maine.

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**Something New for Rosh Hashanah**

Jane Yolen, Christine Battuz

9781728403403

Pub Date: 8/1/21, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Well-known author Jane Yolen does it again, this time in a fun and offbeat High Holiday story

Summary: Becca refuses to try any news foods, until her family persuades her that Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, is a time to try something new. While dad suggests shaving off his mustache for a new look, and mom thinks she'll take up knitting as a new project, Becca decides she's ready to try something new, too!

Contributor Bio:

Jane Yolen lives in Massachusetts and has written more than 400 books across all genres and age ranges, including the Sydney Taylor Honor book *Miriam at the River*. In 2022 she was named the The Sydney Taylor Body-of-Work Winner. She has been called the Hans Christian Andersen of America

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**Talia and the Rude Vegetables**

Linda Elovitz Marshall, Francesca Assirelli

9780761352181

Pub Date: 8/1/11, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$6.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: "How can a vegetable be 'rude'?" Talia wonders, when she mis-hears her grandmother asking her to gather "root" vegetables for a Rosh Hashanah stew. As Talia digs in the garden, she collects the twisted, ornery carrots and parsnips—the "rude" vegetables that she thinks her grandmother wants—and finds a good home for the rest.

Contributor Bio:

Linda Elovitz Marshall raised her four children, a small flock of sheep, lots of zucchinis and countless rabbits in a historic farmhouse overlooking the Hudson River in upstate New York. A graduate of Barnard College of Columbia University, she is a cultural anthropologist who has written almost two dozen books for kids. In addition to writing and farming, Linda taught early childhood and parenting education, and owned a bookstore.

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**Talia and the Very YUM Kippur**

Linda Elovitz Marshall, Francesca Assirelli
9781467752404

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When Grandma begins her preparations for breaking the Yom Kippur fast, Talia mishears the holiday as "Yum" Kippur, setting off a topsy-turvy series of misunderstandings.

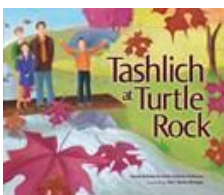
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Francesca Assirelli studied painting at the Ac...

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**Tashlich at Turtle Rock**

Susan Schnur, Anna Schnur-Fishman, Alex Steele-Morgan
9780761345107

Pub Date: 8/1/10, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 12 to 14, Grades K to 3

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Annie is excited about the Tashlich ceremony on the afternoon of Rosh Hashanah, when her family will walk to Turtle Rock Creek and throw crumbs into the water, as symbols of mistakes made the past year. As Annie leads her family through the woods stopping at favorite rocks, bridges, and waterfalls in her family's own Tashlich ritual, they think about the good and bad things that happened during the past year, and make plans for a sweeter new year. This story focuses on ecological connec...

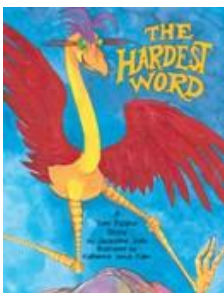
Contributor Bio:

Susan Schnur is a Reconstructionist rabbi whose "paper pulpit" is *Lilith* magazine, a Jewish women's quarterly. Susan lives with her husband in Boston, Massachusetts.

Anna Schnur-Fishman is a senior at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. She loves linguistics, Yiddish, and writing.

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**The Hardest Word : A Yom Kippur Story**

Jacqueline Jules, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781580130288

Pub Date: 8/1/01, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Loosely based on the Hasidic legend "The Tear of Repentance", *The Hardest Word* is a story about forgiveness.

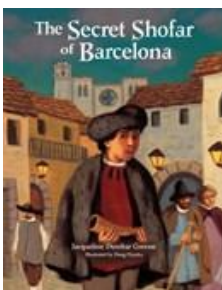
The Ziz, a wonderful bird who lived long ago, is so big and clumsy that he can't keep from bumping into things. When a tree he knocks over destroys the children's garden, he seeks God's help to fix things. "Bring me the hardest word," God instructs him, and the Ziz flies off to search. He brings back words like rhinoceros, rock, and Rumpelstiltskin, but none is acceptable, until...

Contributor Bio:

Jacqueline Jules is an award-winning author and poet. Her many children's books include *The Hardest Word* (National Jewish Book Award finalist), *What a Way to Start the New Year! A Rosh Hashanah Story*, and *Moses and the Runaway Lamb*. She lives in Long Island, New York.

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**The Secret Shofar of Barcelona**

Jacqueline Dembar Greene, Doug Chayka
9780822599449

Pub Date: 8/1/09, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Symphony conductor Don Fernando longs to hear the sounds of the shofar. Like other conversos during the Spanish Inquisition, he has to hide his Jewish religion and pretend to follow the teachings of the church. But when he is asked to perform a concert celebrating the new world, he and his son Rafael devise a clever plan to usher in the Jewish New Year in plain sight of the Spanish nobility.

Contributor Bio:

Jacqueline Dembar Greene is the award-winning author of more than 30 books for young readers, including the American Girl® Rebecca Rubin series and *The Secret Shofar of Barcelona*. She lives in Wayland, Massachusetts.

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**What a Way to Start a New Year! : A Rosh Hashanah Story**

Jacqueline Jules, Judy Stead

9780761381174

Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Beginning the New Year in a new city isn't easy, and it definitely isn't starting out very well for Dina and her family! But when they're welcomed by warm and generous hosts in their new community it becomes a very happy New Year for all.

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**37 Days at Sea : Aboard the M.S. St. Louis, 1939**

Barbara Krasner

9781541579125

Pub Date: 5/1/21, On Sale Date: 5/1

Ages 8 to 13, Grades 3 to 7

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

168 pages

Hardcover

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**Behind the Bookcase : Miep Gies, Anne Frank, and the Hiding Place**

Barbara Lowell, Valentina Toro

9781541557260

Pub Date: 9/1/20, On Sale Date: 9/1

Ages 7 to 11, Grades 2 to 5

\$7.99 USD

40 pages

Trade Paperback

Other Formats

9781541557253 \$17.99 9/1/2020

A unique take on the Anne Frank story through the eyes of her protector, Miep Gies

Summary: Anne Frank's diary is a gift to the world because of Miep Gies.

One of the protectors of the Frank family, Miep recovered the diary after the family was discovered by Nazis, and then returned it to Otto Frank after World War II. Displaced from her own home as a child during World War I, Miep had great empathy for Anne, and she found ways—like talking about Hollywood gossip and fashion trends—to engage her. The story of their relationship—and the impending danger to the family in hiding—...

Contributor Bio:

Barbara Lowell is the author of several books for children, including *Sparky & Spike: Charles Schulz and the Wildest*,

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**Benno and the Night of Broken Glass**

Meg Wiviott, Josée Bisaillon

9780822599753

Pub Date: 1/1/10, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 7 to 11, Grades 2 to 5

\$8.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Benno was the neighborhood's favorite cat.

During the week, he napped in a sunny corner of Mitzi Stein's dress shop and begged scraps from Moshe the butcher. But one night in Berlin, the Nazis changed everything. Life would never be the same.

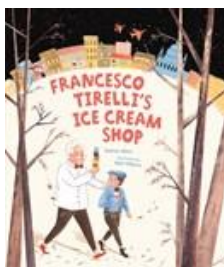
This cat's-eye view introduces the Holocaust to children in a gentle way that can open discussion of this period.

Contributor Bio:

Josee Bisaillon grew up in St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, Canada. Her illustrations are a mixture of collage, drawings, and digital montage, taking us into a richly detailed and multidimensional world.

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**Francesco Tirelli's Ice Cream Shop**

Tamar Meir, Yael Albert

9781541534650

Pub Date: 8/1/19, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 6

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: An inspiring true story of the Holocaust

Francesco Tirelli loved to eat gelato from his uncle's cart. So when he moves from Italy to Hungary, Francesco decides to open his own ice cream store. There young Peter learns to love ice cream as much as Francesco did. But when the war comes and Francesco closes his shop for the winter, he uses the shop for a special purpose—to hide his Jewish friends and neighbors from danger. This heroic tale is based on true events.

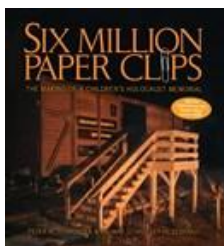
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Contributor Bio:

Tamar Meir holds degrees in Talmud and Jewish philosophy, and a PhD in literature from Bar-Ilan University. She is head of the Literature Department at the Givat Washington College of Education and teaches at Efrata College and at Bar-Ilan

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**Six Million Paper Clips : The Making of a Children's Holocaust Memorial**

Dagmar Schroeder-Hildebrand, Peter W. Schroeder

9781580131766

Pub Date: 1/1/05, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 8 to 13, Grades 3 to 7

\$9.99 USD

64 pages

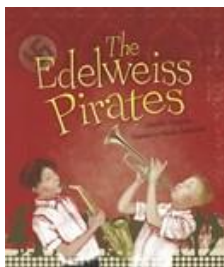
Trade Paperback

Summary: The true story of students who helped quantify the horrors of the Holocaust

At a middle school in a small, all white, all Protestant town in Tennessee, a special after-school class was started to teach the kids about the Holocaust, and the importance of tolerance. The students had a hard time imagining what six million was (the number of Jews the Nazis killed), so they decided to collect six million paperclips, a symbol used by the Norwegians to show solidarity with their Jewish neighbors.

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**The Edelweiss Pirates**

Jennifer Elvgren, Daniela Stamatiadi

9781512483604

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 6

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

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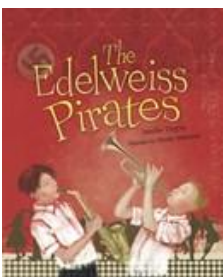
The Hitler Youth patrol the night streets looking for anyone who breaks the rules. Albert is a member of the Edelweiss Pirates, a secret group of young people who defy the Hitler Youth. They play the forbidden music and work against the Nazis any way they can. Albert's younger brother, Kurt, loves jazz and longs to be a Pirate, too. Although he's too young to be an Edelweiss Pirate, Kurt can still find a way to take a ...

Contributor Bio:

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Paperback Picture Book

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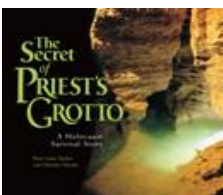
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**The Secret of Priest's Grotto : A Holocaust Survival Story**

Peter Lane Taylor, Christos Nicola
9781580132619
Pub Date: 1/1/07, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 10 to 11, Grades 5 to 12
\$8.95 USD
64 pages
Trade Paperback

Summary: According to legend, a group of Jewish families survived the Holocaust by hiding out for months in the 77 miles of caves in Ukraine known as Priest's Grotto. Cavers Taylor and Nicola chronicle their trip to explore the caves and uncover the story of the survivors.

Contributor Bio:

Peter Lane Taylor is an award-winning writer, photographer, and filmmaker specializing in science, adventure, and exploration, whose work has taken him to some of the rarest and most extreme locations on Earth. His articles have appeared in *National Geographic*, *Ranger Rick*, and *Outside*, while his films have been shown on The Learning Channel and PBS. Taylor is a co-founder of Frontier Media Ventures (www.frontiermediaventures.com), a media firm specializing in science and advent...

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**The Whispering Town**

Jennifer Elvgren, Fabio Santomauro
9781467711951
Pub Date: 1/1/14, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 7 to 11, Grades 2 to 5
\$8.99 USD
32 pages
Paperback Picture Book

Summary: The dramatic story of neighbors in a small Danish fishing village who, during the Holocaust, shelter a Jewish family waiting to be ferried to safety in Sweden - based on a true story.

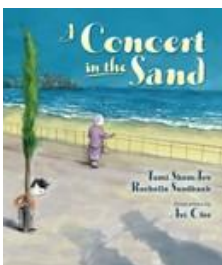
It is 1943 in Nazi-occupied Denmark. Anett and her parents are hiding a Jewish woman and her son, Carl, in their cellar until a fishing boat can take them across the sound to neutral Sweden. The soldiers patrolling their street are growing suspicious, so Carl and his mama must make their way to the harbor...

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**A Concert in the Sand**

Tami Shem-Tov, Rachella Sandbank, Avi Ofer
9781512400991

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: A grandma and her little grandson take a walk along a Tel-Aviv street and encounter the conductor and musicians of the Israel Philharmonic gathering for their first performance. This beautiful book is based on the true story of the creation of the Israel Philharmonic just before the birth of the State of Israel.

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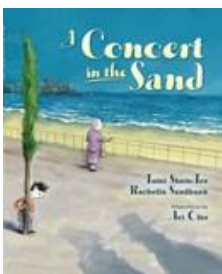
Tami Shem-Tov was born in Kiryat Ono, Israel, and lives in Tel Aviv. She teaches creative writing at the University of Haifa. Her previous children's books have won many awards, including an Andersen Honor and the Bialik Prize.

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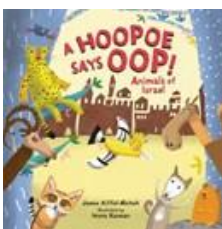
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**A Hoopoe Says Oop! : Animals of Israel**

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Ivana Kuman
9781541500495

Pub Date: 3/1/19, On Sale Date: 3/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: *Ibexes on crater ledges
Call out, "Maa!" and walk the edges.*

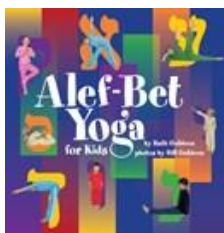
A rhyming introduction to some of Israel's unique animals like the hoopoe (the national bird of Israel), hyrax, and sand cats.

Contributor Bio:

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh regularly writes for National Geographic KIDS. Her many books include *Hard Hat Cat*, *Kol Hakavod: Way to Go!*, *A Hoopoe says Oop!*, *Rah! Rah! Mujadara*, *Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?* and *Listen! Israel's All Around*. She is also a lyricist for pop songs, advertisements and motion pictures. She lives in Burbank, California. Award-winning illustrator **Ivana Kuman** is a graduate of the Arts Academy in Zagreb. She has written and illustrated many picture books for children an...

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**Alef-Bet Yoga for Kids**

Bill Goldeen, Ruth Goldeen

9780761345060

Pub Date: 1/1/09, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

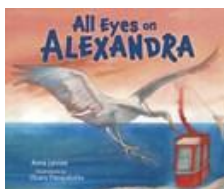
32 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Learn the Hebrew alphabet through yoga! Using traditional and modified yoga poses, kids can create the letters and also benefit from the stretching and strengthening offered by each pose.

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**All Eyes on Alexandra**

Anna Levine, Chiara Pasqualotto

9781512444391

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Alexandra Crane is terrible at following her family in their flying Vee. She can't help it that the world is so full of interesting and distracting sights! When it's time for the Cranes to migrate to Israel's Hula Valley for the winter, Alexandra is excited but her family is worried. Will Alexandra stay with the group? And might Alexandra discover that a bad follower can make a great leader?

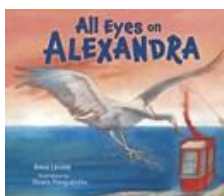
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**Ella's Trip to Israel**

Vivian Newman, Akemi Gutierrez

9780761360292

Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$8.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Excited Ella and her stuffed monkey, Koofi, take a family trip to Israel. Ella enjoys visiting all the famous places in Israel, but Koofi experiences Israel in his own special way!

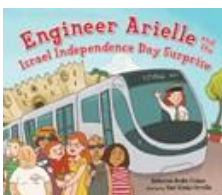
Contributor Bio:

Vivian Newman has an M.S. in Early Childhood Education from Bank Street College of Education and a certificate in Jewish Early Childhood Education from Hebrew College. In addition to writing, she is an Educational Consultant for PJ Library, an initiative of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. Her previous children's books include *Ella's Trip to Israel* and *Tikkun Olam Ted*.

Akemi Gutierrez was an assistant animator for Walt Disney Features, where her films included *Mulan*, *Pocahontas*, an...

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**Engineer Arielle and the Israel Independence Day Surprise**

Deborah Bodin Cohen, Yael Kimhi Orrelle

9781512420951

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Engineer Arielle drives a train in Jerusalem, just like her great-great-grandfather, Engineer Ari. Except she drives a light rail train, and today is a special day. It's Israel's Independence Day! Arielle works all day taking people to their holiday destinations—but how will Arielle celebrate? Her brother Ezra, a pilot in the Israeli Air Force, has something special in mind.

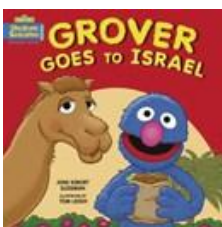
Contributor Bio:

Deborah Bodin Cohen was ordained at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. She is the author of many children's books including the Engineer Ari series, *The Seventh Day*, *Papa Jethro*, and *Nachshon Who Was Afraid to Swim*. Her books have received numerous honors, including a National Jewish Book award, Sydney Taylor honor designations and the Sugarman prize. She lives in Rockville, MD, with her husband David and three children.

Yael Kimhi Orrelle was born and raised on...

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**Grover Goes to Israel**

Joni Kibort Sussman, Tom Leigh

9781541529205

Pub Date: 3/1/19, On Sale Date: 3/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: Shalom! Hop aboard a plane with Grover to visit Israel in this board book from Kar-Ben featuring characters from *Sesame Street*. Join Grover as he tours the sights of Israel, munching on pita at Machane Yehuda and swimming in Eilat.

Contributor Bio:

Joni Sussman's books include *My First Yiddish Word Book*, and four Jewish-themed *Sesame Street* board books.

Tom Leigh is a children's book author and longtime illustrator of *Sesame Street* and *Muppet* books. He lives on Little Deer Isle off the coast of Maine.

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**Hard Hat Cat!**

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Maxine Lee

9781541546356

Pub Date: 1/1/20, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Of all the stray cats in Israel, a kitten sits high in a tree above girders, beams, cement mixers and cranes. Avi wants to adopt the friendly kitten although his mom—and the family dog— don't like the idea. But every day the clever cat comes back, becoming a family's "forever cat"!

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Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh regularly writes for National Geographic KIDS. Her many books include *Hard Hat Cat*, *Kol Hakavod: Way to Go!*, *A Hoopoe says Oop!*, *Rah! Rah! Mujadara*, *Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?* and *Listen! Israel's All Around*. She is also a lyricist for pop songs, advertisements and motion pictures. She lives in Burbank, California.

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**In the Jerusalem Forest**

Devora Busheri, Noa Kelner

9781541534728

Pub Date: 10/1/19, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary:

A child and her mother take a walk in the forest near Jerusalem, gazing at their reflections in a rippling pond and appreciating their time together.

Inspired by the poem "The Pond" by Hayim Nahman Bialik.

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**Listen! : Israel's All Around**

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Steve Mack

9781541509696

Pub Date: 3/1/19, On Sale Date: 3/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: *In Eilat, a blub, blub, blub—Swimmers' snorkels glub, glub, glub.*

Tour Israel's most fun places—kibbutz, beach, market, and more—and discover each spot's special sound in this rhyming tribute to the sounds of Israel.

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**Meg Goldberg on Parade**

Andria Warmflash Rosenbaum, Christopher Lyles

9781467739078

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Other Formats

9781467739061 \$17.99 8/1/2015

Summary: New York City's Israel Parade is extra special this year for 'timid and small' Meg Goldberg. This shy little girl with a big imagination finds plenty of ways to join the fun—and maybe, just maybe, earn the Grand Marshal's crown.

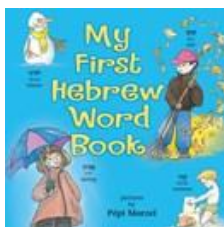
Contributor Bio:

Andria Warmflash Rosenbaum has an MA from Bank Street College of Education, and lives in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, with her husband and kids. Her previous children's books include *A Grandma Like Yours/A Grandpa Like Yours*.

Christopher Lyles spends much of his time working in a variety of media. He has contributed to children's publications, greeting cards, editorial illustrations, and gallery installations. Chris lives in the small town of Simsbury, Connecticut with his wife and the...

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**My First Hebrew Word Book**

Judyth Groner, Pépi Marzel

9781580131261

Pub Date: 8/1/05, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$18.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

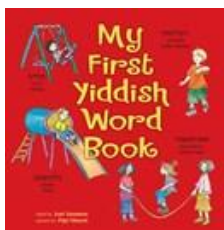
Summary: A first Hebrew vocabulary book for children, it includes 150 words used at home, in school, and on the playground in Hebrew, transliteration, and in English. With words arranged by category and only a few words on each page, this book is accessible even to pre-schoolers.

Contributor Bio:

Pépi Marzel, a graduate of the Bezalel Arts Academy in Jerusalem, does freelance design and illustration. She has worked with many Israeli publishers on more than 90 books and lives in Israel.

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**My First Yiddish Word Book**

Joni Kibort Sussman, Pépi Marzel

9781467751759

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$12.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Did you know that Yiddish is written in Hebrew letters but pronounced more like German? Introduce your kids to their mama loshen (mother tongue) and open the door to their cultural heritage! The basic Yiddish vocabulary includes more than 150 words for family members, objects in the home and school, colors and numbers. Each concept is presented with a bright picture, the Yiddish word, and the translation and transliteration. The once-thriving language, spoken by millions, is undergoing ...

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**My Sister Is Sleeping**

Devora Busheri, Michel Kichka

9781541542440

Pub Date: 4/7/20, On Sale Date: 4/7

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: A big sister in an Israeli family draws pictures as she eagerly anticipates her baby sister waking from her nap. She lovingly describes the baby, imagining all the things she will do when the baby wakes up: holding the baby in her lap, feeding her oatmeal, and taking her for a walk in the stroller. The book includes Hebrew words in the descriptions of the joys of having a new baby in the family.

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**Pickled Watermelon**

Esty Schachter, Alex Orbe

9781512499902

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 9 to 13, Grades 4 to 7

\$8.99 USD

144 pages

Trade Paperback

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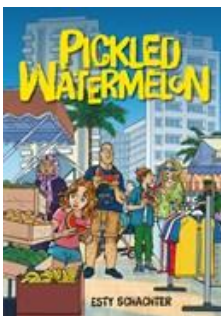
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**Rah! Rah! Mujadara**

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Claudine Gévry
9781541585003
Pub Date: 3/1/21, On Sale Date: 3/1
Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P
\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD
12 pages
Board Book

Everybody likes hummus, but that's just one of the great variety of foods found in Israel among its diverse cultures.

Summary: *Rah, rah, mu-JA-dara! Lentil rice tastes so nice!*

A rhyming, rhythmic story follows a diverse group of Israeli children as they taste a variety of different ethnic foods found in Israel

Contributor Bio:

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh regularly writes for National Geographic KIDS. Her many books include *Hard Hat Cat*, *Kol Hakavod: Way to Go!*, *A Hoopoe says Oop!*, *Rah! Rah! Mujadara*, *Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?* and *Listen! Israel's All Around*. She is also a lyricist for pop songs, advertisements

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**Sammy Spider's First Trip to Israel**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781580130356
Pub Date: 8/1/02, On Sale Date: 8/1
Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$7.99 USD
32 pages
Paperback Picture Book

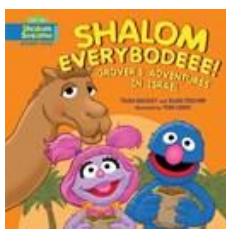
Summary: Join Sammy Spider on his stow-away adventure as he tours Israel and learns the many meanings of "shalom."

Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California. **Katherine Janus Kahn** studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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**Shalom Everybody! : Grover's Adventures in Israel**

Ellen Fischer, Tilda Balsley, Tom Leigh
9780761375586
Pub Date: 1/1/16, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 2 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$16.99 USD
24 pages
Hardcover
Series: Israel

Summary: Journey to Israel with furry loveable Grover from Sesame Street as he visits the Western Wall, participates in an archaeological dig, shops in the Machane Yehuda market, eats yummy drippy falafel, visits a kibbutz, hikes the twisty snake path to the top of Masada, floats in the Dead Sea, rides a camel and shares the hospitality of a Bedouin family. The fifth in Kar-Ben's 'Shalom Sesame' series.

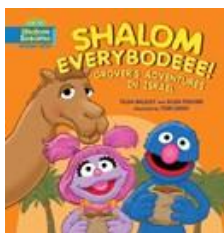
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**Stork's Landing**

Tami Lehman-Wilzig, Anna Shuttlewood
9781467713962

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$8.99 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

Other Formats

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Summary: When a migrating stork gets tangled in a net in the fish ponds on Maya's kibbutz, Maya wonders what to do. Can she and her father find a way to nurse it back to health and send it back into the wild? Set in Israel, one of the bird capitals of the world with the highest number of migrating birds anywhere, this story brings the beauty of nature in Israel to life and highlights an unusual part of Israeli life—the kibbutz.

Contributor Bio:

Born in the United States, **Tami Lehman-Wilzig** now lives in Israel. She has a Bachelor's Degree in English Literature and an M.A. in Communications from Boston University. She is one of Israel's leading English language copywriters. Her children's books include *Tasty Bible Stories*, *Keeping the Promise*, *Passover Around the World*, *Hanukkah Around the World* and *Luis de Torres Sails to Freedom*. She lives in Kfar Saba. Israel.

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**The Colors of Israel**

Rachel Raz
9781467755399

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Series: Israel

Summary: Blue and white are not the only colors of Israel! This book by author/photographer Rachel Raz (*ABC Israel*) showcases the many vibrant and beautiful colors of the land of Israel, from the red double-decker train in Akko to the white dome of the Shrine of the Book, from pink postage stamps to orange beach umbrellas in Tel Aviv. *The Colors of Israel* includes the English, Hebrew, and transliterated words for all the colors along with beautiful color photographs.

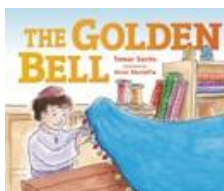
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Rachel Raz is an educator, a photographer, and a traveler. She frequently visits Israel, where she took the photographs featured in this book. A native Israeli, Rachel lives with her family in Massachusetts.

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**The Golden Bell**

Tamar Sachs, Yossi Abolafia

9781541526129

Pub Date: 3/1/19, On Sale Date: 3/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: In biblical times, Itamar, the tailor's son, has carefully carried the High Priest's robe—with its little golden bells sewn onto the hem—home for his father to mend. But one day, one of the bells is missing! When nobody turns in the lost bell at the Claiming Stone, Itamar wonders if the tiny bell will ever be found. A surprise ending brings the story into modern times when an archaeologist finds a golden bell at a Jerusalem dig.

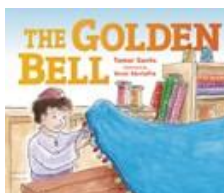
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24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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**The Six-Day Hero**

Tammar Stein

9781512458718

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 9 to 13, Grades 4 to 7

\$16.99 USD

256 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Motti knows that war is coming. Israel is only nineteen years old—the same age as Motti's brave older brother, Gideon—and the tiny country is surrounded by enemies. It's only a matter of time before Egypt, Jordan and Syria attack. Motti wishes he could join the Israeli army like Gideon and be a hero. But when his best friend's family flees the country and his brother goes off to fight, Motti realizes this war isn't a game. His family is in danger, and Israel's very survival is at stake....

Contributor Bio:

Tammar Stein is the award-winning author of four young adult novels including *Beni's War*, which was named a Sydney Taylor Notable Book of Jewish Content. She is a graduate of the University of Virginia with a degree in English Literature. She has lived on three continents, in four countries and five states. She lives in Virginia with her family.

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The Upside-Down Boy and the Israeli Prime Minister

Sherri Mandell, Robert Dunn

9781541534704

Pub Date: 4/1/21, On Sale Date: 4/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

24 pages

Hardcover

A fun relatable story about a school field trip that goes awry. In this case it's a trip to the house of the Israeli Prime Minister that ends with a surprising twist

Summary: Daniel likes to do things backwards and upside down. He walks on his hands, walks backwards, and eats cereal for dinner. His teacher reminds him that when he visits the Prime Minister's office, he must be on his best behavior. But when something unexpected happens, can Daniel resist his urge to do a headstand? Uh oh! What would the Prime Minister say?

Contributor Bio:

Sherri Mandell is the author of several books including the National Jewish Book Award winner *The Blessing of a Broken Heart*. She is also the author of *Writers of the Holocaust (Facts on File)* and has been a contributor to USA Today, The Times of Israel, Hadassah Magazine, and the Jerusalem Post.

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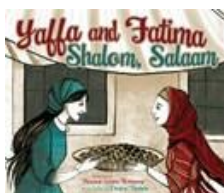
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Yaffa and Fatima : Shalom, Salaam

Fawzia Gilani-Williams, Chiara Fedele

9781467789387

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

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Hardcover

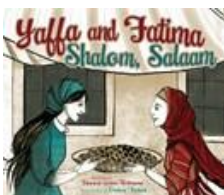
Summary: Two neighbors—one Jewish, one Muslim—have always been best friends. When they both fall on hard times, can they find a way to help each other? In Fawzia Gilani's retelling of this folktale—which has both Jewish and Arab origins—differences are not always causes for conflict and friendship can overcome any obstacle.

Contributor Bio:

Fawzia Gilani was born and raised in England where she became a teacher. She is the author of many children's books, including *A Treasury of Eid Tales*, and is currently working on an Islamic fairy tale series. She serves as an international educational consultant with a PhD in children's literature and character development. She is a Global Representative for the International Positive Education Network and works for the Abu Dhabi Education Council. She spends her time in the Un...

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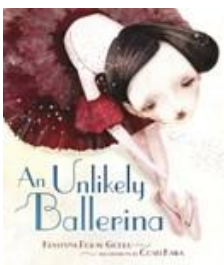
Summary: Two neighbors—one Jewish, one Muslim—have always been best friends. When they both fall on hard times, can they find a way to help each other? In Fawzia Gilani's retelling of this folktale—which has both Jewish and Arab origins—differences are not always causes for conflict and friendship can overcome any obstacle.

Contributor Bio:

Fawzia Gilani was born and raised in England where she became a teacher. She is the author of many children's books, including *A Treasury of Eid Tales*, and is currently working on an Islamic fairy tale series. She serves as an international educational consultant with a PhD in children's literature and character development. She is a Global Representative for the International Positive Education Network and works for the Abu Dhabi Education Council. She spends her time in the Un...

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**An Unlikely Ballerina**

Krystyna Poray Goddu, Cosei Kawa

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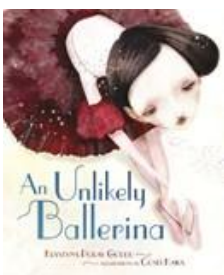
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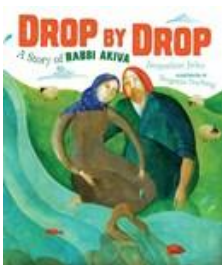
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Jacqueline Jules, Yevgenia Nayberg

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Summary: Akiva is just a poor shepherd living an ordinary life, until he falls in love with Rachel. Rachel thinks her husband could become a great man of learning—but Akiva can't even read! Is he too old to be a scholar or can he follow the example of the water in the nearby brook? Water is soft, yet drop by drop, it can soften the hardest stone.

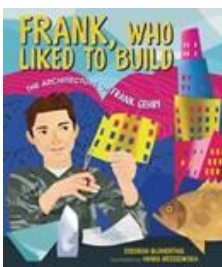
Contributor Bio:

Jacqueline Jules is an award-winning author and poet. Her many children's books include *The Hardest Word* (National Jewish Book Award finalist), *What a Way to Start the New Year! A Rosh Hashanah Story*, and *Moses and the Runaway Lamb*. She lives in Long Island, New York.

Yevgenia Nayberg is an illustrator, painter, and set and costume designer. She received a Sydney Taylor Silver Medal for her illustrations for *Drop by Drop*. She lives in New York.

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**Frank, Who Liked to Build : The Architecture of Frank Gehry**

Deborah Blumenthal, Maria Brzozowska

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Hardcover

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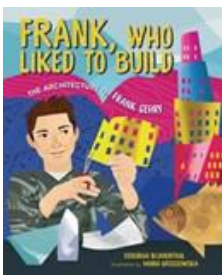
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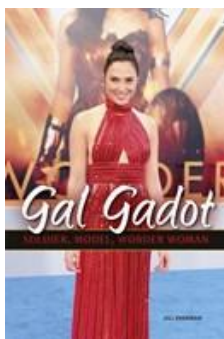
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**Gal Gadot : Soldier, Model, Wonder Woman**

Jill Sherman

9781541543706

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 9 to 14, Grades 4 to 8

\$9.99 USD

48 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: In 2017 the movie Wonder Woman became a box-office hit, breaking records and earning hundreds of millions of dollars. Israeli actor Gal Gadot played Wonder Woman—a fierce and compassionate Amazonian warrior. Prior to her time in the spotlight, Gadot served in the Israeli military, won a Miss Israel pageant, and studied to be a lawyer. When Gadot began acting, she wanted to play strong, independent women. She hopes to be a role model for her daughters as well as an inspiration to both wo...

Contributor Bio:

Jill Sherman writes fiction and nonfiction books for young readers. She started out her career in publishing as an editor, but soon discovered that her real joy was in writing. She has written dozens of books for young people, including fiction works, as well as news and magazine articles for print and digital publications. She thoroughly enjoys researching new topics to provide young readers with the best information that they can use in their own studies. Jill lives and writes

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**Goldie Takes a Stand : Golda Meir's First Crusade**

Barbara Krasner, Kelsey Garrity-Riley

9781467712019

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 10, Grades K to 4

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Even at the age of nine, little Golda Meir was known for being a leader. As the president of the American Young Sisters Society, she organizes her friends to raise money to buy textbooks for immigrant classmates. A glimpse at the early life of Israel's first female prime minister, who was born in Russia and grew up in Milwaukee, this story is based on a true episode in the early life of Golda Meir.

Contributor Bio:

Barbara Krasner publishes the popular blog, The Whole Megillah: The Writer's Resource for Jewish-Themed Story. She is the author of many articles, short stories, poems, and books. She lives in New Jersey and teaches in the English and History departments of New Jersey colleges and universities.

Kelsey Garrity-Riley grew up in Germany and Belgium before moving to the United States. She received a BFA from Savannah College of Art and Design and continues to live in

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**Hannah G. Solomon Dared to Make a Difference**

Bonnie Lindauer, Sofia Moore

9781728415741

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Ages 5 to 10, Grades K to 4

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

A picture book bio of the founder of the National Council of Jewish Women, an inspiring woman

Summary: When Hannah G. Solomon looked around Chicago, the city where she was born, she saw unfairness all around her. Many people were poor and living in terrible conditions. Immigrants from other countries struggled to survive in their new home. Hannah decided to help change that. When she grew up, she founded the National Council of Jewish Women—the first organization to unite Jewish women around the country—and fought to make life better for others, especially women and children, in Chicago ...

Contributor Bio:

A former high school teacher and college librarian, **Bonnie Lindauer** loves reading children's books as much as she loves her favorite vanilla ice cream. She plays piano and

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**Judah Touro Didn't Want to be Famous**

Audrey Ades, Vivien Mildenberger

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32 pages

Hardcover

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**Marcel Marceau : Master of Mime**

Gloria Spielman, Manon Gauthier

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Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5

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32 pages

Hardcover

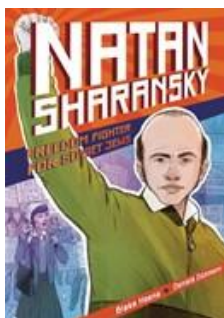
Summary: From the age of five, Marcel Marceau knew he wanted to be a silent actor, just like Charlie Chaplin. When World War II intervened, he joined the resistance, helping to get young Jews to safety during this dangerous time. But Marcel never forgot his dream of being a mime artist and entertaining the world.

Contributor Bio:

Manon Gauthier lives in Montreal, Canada, where she works as a professional illustrator. A graphic designer by training, she decided to devote herself entirely to books for children in 2006. She likes mixing techniques and media. Her work has been recognized by the Governor General of Canada Awards and has won the Illustration Jeunesse Prize.

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**Natan Sharansky : Freedom Fighter for Soviet Jews**

Blake Hoena, Daniele Dickmann

9781541588998

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Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5

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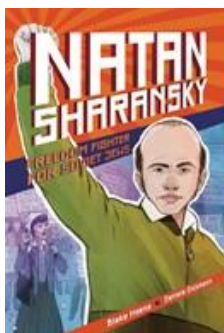
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**Rena Glickman, Queen of Judo**

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Pub Date: 5/1/22, On Sale Date: 5/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

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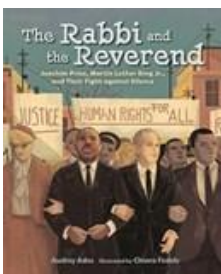
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**The Rabbi and the Reverend : Joachim Prinz, Martin Luther King Jr., and Their Fight against Silence**

Audrey Ades, Chiara Fedele

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Ages 4 to 10, Grades P to 4

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

A timely tale of Black and white Americans working together for a cause.

Summary: When Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his "I Have a Dream" speech at the March on Washington, he did not stand alone. He was joined by Rabbi Joachim Prinz, a refugee from Nazi Germany, who also addressed the crowd. Though Rabbi Prinz and Dr. King came from very different backgrounds, they were united by a shared belief in justice. And they knew that remaining silent in the face of injustice was wrong. Together, they spoke up and fought for a better future.

Contributor Bio:

Audrey Ades grew up in New England and holds degrees in theater and psychology. She lives in South Florida with her husband, son, and persnickety Pomeranian, Cookie.

Chiara Fedele was born in Milan. where she attended the

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**The Spy Who Played Baseball**

Carrie Jones, Gary Cherrington

9781512458640

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Ages 5 to 10, Grades K to 4

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Moe Berg is not a typical baseball player. He's Jewish—very unusual for the major leagues in the 1930s—has a law degree, speaks several languages, and loves traveling the world. He also happens to be a spy for the U.S. government. When World War II begins, Moe trades his baseball career for a life of danger and secrecy. Using his unusual range of skills, he sneaks into enemy territory to gather crucial information that could help defeat the Nazis. But he also has plenty of secrets of hi...

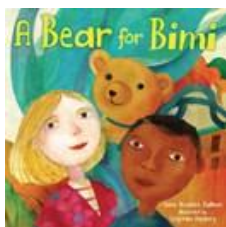
Contributor Bio:

Carrie Jones is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the *NEED* series and spends her time in Maine where she lives with her family, which includes a kitten named Sparta, an obese cat, and two very silly and very large white dogs. She has won numerous awards for her writing and photographs, but she would prefer to win cowboy hats.

Gary Cherrington has always daydreamed and drawn from his imagination. A former touring puppeteer, he illustrates

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**A Bear for Bimi**

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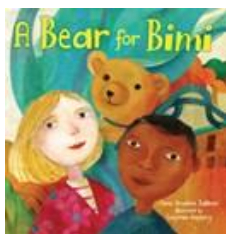
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Jane Breskin Zalben, an author, artist and abstract painter, was born in New York City, went to the High School of Music & Art in Harlem, graduated Queens College, and went on to study printmaking at the Pratt Graphics Center in Manhattan. She has created more than 50 award-winning books for children. Her work has been exhibited in libraries, galleries, and museums. Her studio is on Long Island, New York.

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32 pages

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Contributor Bio:

Lela Nargi wrote her first story in a notebook with a marbled cover that her mother bought her the summer before she started first grade; she's been writing ever since. She lives in Brooklyn, New York with her husband and daughter, and a very large rabbit.

Valeria Cis was born and raised in Argentina, where she still lives with her son, Facundo, daughter, Olivia and husband, Sebastian. Valeria studied fine art at the University of Humanities and Arts in Rosario, Argentina.

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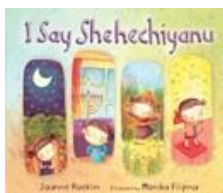
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**I Say Shehechyanu**

Joanne Rocklin, Monika Filipini

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Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$6.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

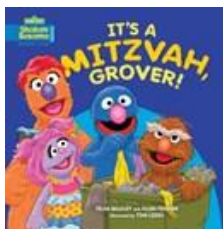
Summary: Let's say 'Shehechyanu,' the special Jewish blessing for saying thank you when we experience something new for the first time!

Contributor Bio:

Monika Filipini grew up in the beautiful old city of Thorn, Poland surrounded by cats and many other animals that are her main inspiration. After earning her B.A. and M.A. in Illustration in the United Kingdom, she lives in Thorn with her fiancé and two cats.

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**It's a Mitzvah, Grover!**

Ellen Fischer, Tilda Balsley, Tom Leigh

9780761375630

Pub Date: 1/1/13, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$6.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Grover does a *mitzvah* (good deed) by joining his friends to spruce up the neighborhood playground. Even Moishe Oofnik comes out of his trash can to help, eating up all the trash, and separating the cans for recycling.

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Fischer was born in St. Louis. Following graduation from Washington University, she taught children with special needs and then ESL at a Jewish Day School. She lives in Greensboro, North Carolina with her husband. They have three children.

Tilda Balsley has written many books for Kar-Ben, bringing her stories to life with rhyme, rhythm, and humor. Tilda lives with her husband and their rescue Shih Tzu in Reidsville, North Carolina.

Tom Leigh is a children's book author and I...

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**Jumping Jenny**

Ellen Bari, Raquel García Maciá

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32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

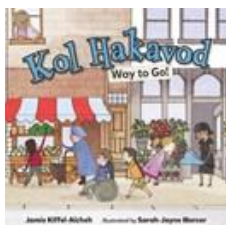
Summary: Jenny loves to jump. But when jumping gets her in trouble, she decides to retire her pogo stick. Then her school decides to hold a fundraising fair, and she discovers that her skill can be used for a good cause.

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Bari has created award-winning museum exhibits and programs for clients including The Children's Museum of Manhattan, Sesame Workshop, PBS, Nickelodeon and the US Holocaust Memorial Museum. Ellen, a fluent Hebrew speaker, lived in Israel and enjoys writing about a variety of Jewish topics. She lives in New York.

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**Kol Hakavod : Way to Go!**

Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Sarah-Jayne Mercer

9781541522114

Pub Date: 8/1/19, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: What is "kavod"? It's "gee!" It's "wow."

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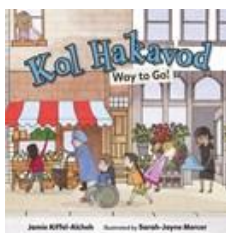
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Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh, Sarah-Jayne Mercer

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Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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32 pages

Hardcover

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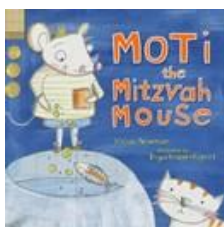
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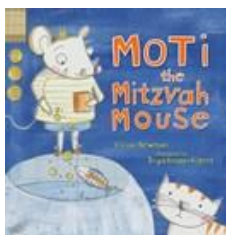
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**One Good Deed**

Terri Fields, Deborah Melmon
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Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3
\$7.99 USD
24 pages
Paperback Picture Book

Summary: It all started with some berries...

In this version of paying it forward, one good deed leads to another as people in a multicultural neighborhood, including a Jewish family, change the life of the community.

"The author lets her characters make her point (the world is a much better place when people are kind), only introducing the Jewish term for this behavior - mitzvot - at the end of the story. Melmon's upbeat illustrations are similarly nondenominational and will help listeners vis...

Contributor Bio:

The author of over twenty children's books, Terri Fields has won numerous awards for her writing, including recognition from the American Library Association. She and her husband live in Arizona.

Deborah Melmon has been a freelance illustrator in the San

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**Rosie Saves the World**

Debbie Herman, Tammie Lyon
9781512420852
Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1
Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$17.99 USD
32 pages
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Summary: Rosie can't wait to start doing good deeds to save the world. But as she helps the people in her neighborhood, she is soon so busy saving the world that she doesn't have time for her own family! It turns out, though, that the greatest acts of *tikkun olam*—repairing the world—start in her own home.

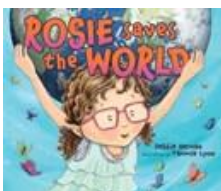
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**Sammy Spider's First Mitzvah**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

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Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

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\$17.95 USD

24 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

Summary: Sammy Spider is back in his fifteenth adventure story, learning about Jewish holidays and values with his buddy Josh Shapiro. In this story, when Josh gets a cold—"Achoo!"—his friend Moti delivers some chicken soup to him, and Sammy Spider learns about the mitzvah of visiting the sick. You'll also learn the Hebrew word for "Gesundheit!"

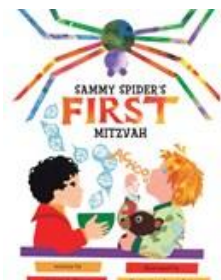
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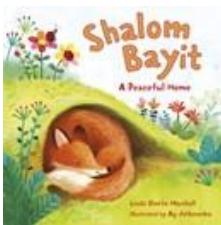
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**Shalom Bayit**

Linda Elovitz Marshall, Ag Jatkowska
9781541542471
Pub Date: 3/3/20, On Sale Date: 3/3
Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P
\$6.99 USD
12 pages
Board Book

A book that covers the topic of "peace in the home," a popular curricular subject for the Jewish preschool set.

Summary: A home's a cozy, restful place, a safe and loving family space.

Contributor Bio:

Linda Elovitz Marshall raised her four children, a small flock of sheep, lots of zucchinis and countless rabbits in a historic farmhouse overlooking the Hudson River in upstate New York. A graduate of Barnard College of Columbia University, she is a cultural anthropologist who has written almost two dozen books for kids. In addition to writing and farming, Linda taught early childhood and parenting education, and owned a bookstore.

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**Thank You, God! : A Jewish Child's Book of Prayers**

Judyth Groner, Madeline Wikler, Shelly O. Haas
9781580131018
Pub Date: 1/1/03, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$8.99 USD
32 pages
Paperback Picture Book

Summary: A first prayer book for young children, with 21 traditional prayers in simple Hebrew, transliteration, and English. Contains blessings for a new day, bounty of our food, Sabbath, and holiday rituals.

Contributor Bio:

Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler founded Kar-Ben Copies, Inc. in 1975, with the publication of *My Very Own Haggadah*, which they wrote and illustrated. The book has sold over 2 million copies and is still in print. They have authored more than two dozen books, as well as 36 editions of *My Very Own Jewish Calendar*, and have received the prestigious *Sydney Taylor Body of Work Award* from the Association of Jewish Libraries.

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**The Mitzvah Magician**

Linda Elovitz Marshall, Christiane Engel
9780761356554
Pub Date: 8/1/12, On Sale Date: 8/1
Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$7.95 USD
24 pages
Hardcover

Summary: "One-wish, two-wish, Jew-wish!"

Gabriel's magic wand gets him into trouble around the house, until he learns that the greatest magician is a Mitzvah Magician, using his powers to do good deeds.

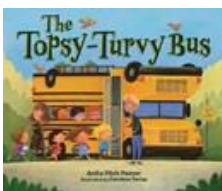
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Christiane Engel is a freelance illustrator ba...

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**The Topsy-Turvy Bus**

Anita Fitch Pazner, Carolina Fariás
9781728419497
Pub Date: 3/1/22, On Sale Date: 3/1
Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD
32 pages
Hardcover

A timely fun eco-friendly story about ways even a child can help heal the planet

Summary: Reuse, recycle, renew, and rethink!

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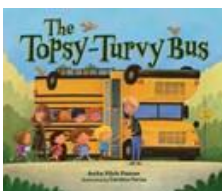
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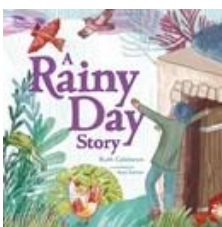
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Hardcover

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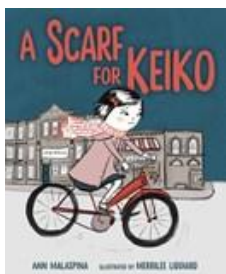
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**A Scarf for Keiko**

Ann Malaspina, Merrilee Liddiard

9781541521650

Pub Date: 2/1/19, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 5 to 10, Grades K to 4

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: It's 1942. Sam's class is knitting socks for soldiers and Sam is a terrible knitter. Keiko is a good knitter, but some kids at school don't want anything to do with her because the Japanese have bombed Pearl Harbor and her family is Japanese American. When Keiko's family is forced to move to a camp for Japanese Americans, can Sam find a way to demonstrate his friendship?

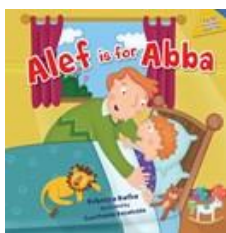
Contributor Bio:

Ann Malaspina has written many books for children, including *Touch the Sky: Alice Coachman*, *Olympic High Jumper* and *Finding Lincoln*. She lives in New Jersey with her husband and two sons.

Merrilee Liddiard grew up in a home filled with delightful artistic chaos and ample creativity. She is known for her love of kids' art design, toys and DIY crafts. Merrilee loves to

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**Alef is for Abba**

Rebecca Kafka, Constanza Basaluzzo

9781467721578

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Kids learn twenty Hebrew words that start with alef, the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, in this unusual "flip book." From one side mom (a word that starts with alef in Hebrew) goes through a typical day with her little one doing all things that start with alef, while from the "flip side," dad (the Hebrew word for dad also starts with alef) does the same. The family meets in the middle.

Contributor Bio:

Constanza Basaluzzo was born in Argentina where she still lives with her husband and kitten. In her spare time she enjoys reading (especially children's books), and visiting toy stores.

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**Always an Olivia : A Remarkable Family History**

Carolivia Herron, Jeremy Tugeau

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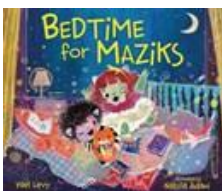
Summary: An elderly black grandmother passes on the story of the family's Jewish origins to her young granddaughter, Carol Olivia. As family members flee the Spanish Inquisition, are kidnapped by pirates and eventually sail to America, one daughter in each generation is given the name Olivia, from the Hebrew Shulamit meaning "peace," to honor the Jewish part of their ancestry. Critically-acclaimed author Carolivia Herron (*Nappy Hair*) shares this engaging, multicultural tale is based on her own f...

Contributor Bio:

Jeremy Tugeau graduated from Syracuse university with a degree in Illustration. He has illustrated many children's books including *Always an Olivia* and *Nathan Blows Out the Hanukkah Candles*. He lives in Ohio with his wife and children.

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**Bedtime for Maziks**

Yael Levy, Nabila Adani

9781728424279

Pub Date: 4/1/22, On Sale Date: 4/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

24 pages

Hardcover

A Jewish take on the classic picture book *Where the Wild Things Are*

Summary: After a day of roly-poly fun and shenanigans, it's bedtime for maziks, the Yiddish word for pranksters or little mischief-makers, a name Jewish parents may lovingly call their rambunctious little ones. Join the maziks as they joyfully make their way through the day in this fun-filled rhyming tale.

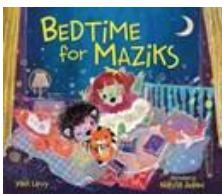
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**Chelm for the Holidays**

Valerie Estelle Frankel, Sonja Wimmer
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Pub Date: 8/1/19, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 8 to 15, Grades 3 to 9

\$15.99 USD

72 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Celebrating Jewish holidays has never been sillier than in Chelm, the Village of Fools! While the Chelmites try to solve problems—like outsmarting bees to get Rosh Hashanah honey, and keeping menorah candles lit without enough oil—their foolishness causes even more chaos. Enjoy these tall tales, old and new, one for each of ten holidays throughout the Jewish year.

Contributor Bio:

Valerie Estelle Frankel is the author of more than fifty books. She has taught children of all ages and is a former San Jose State University professor. She enjoys dancing, acting and creating costumes. She lives in California.

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**Klezmer!**

Kyra Teis
9781541598003

Pub Date: 11/1/21, On Sale Date: 11/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

32 pages

Hardcover

Introducing the newly popular jazzy fun klezmer music to a new generation of kids

Summary:

When Eastern European Jewish immigrants bring their klezmer music with them to America, it takes on a rockin' new vibe, adding elements of Jazz borrowed from its new country. In the beautifully illustrated *Klezmer!*, a child makes an exciting music-filled visit to her grandparents' apartment in New York City, learning all about the evolution of this toe-tapping music genre.

Contributor Bio:

Kyra Teis is a children's book author-illustrator, a graphic novelist, and an avid sewer of costumes. When she's not making art, you can find her cheering wildly with her husband at their two daughters' soccer games and musical

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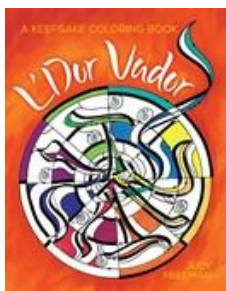
When Eastern European Jewish immigrants bring their klezmer music with them to America, it takes on a rockin' new vibe, adding elements of Jazz borrowed from its new country. In the beautifully illustrated *Klezmer!*, a child makes an exciting music-filled visit to her grandparents' apartment in New York City, learning all about the evolution of this toe-tapping music genre.

Contributor Bio:

Kyra Teis is a children's book author-illustrator, a graphic novelist, and an avid sewer of costumes. When she's not making art, you can find her cheering wildly with her husband at their two daughters' soccer games and musical

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**L'Dor Vador : A Keepsake Coloring Book**

Judy Freeman

9781512418453

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 18, Grades K to 12

\$12.99 USD

72 pages

Paperback Picture Book

- Great way to connect with huge popularity of coloring books
- Connect with Judaica imagery through meditative activity

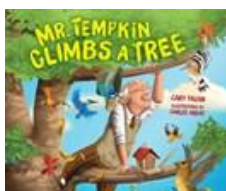
Summary: A keepsake collection of beautiful black-and-white coloring pages for parents, children and grandparents to color together and share, featuring Hebrew letters and Judaica images by well-known ketubah artist Judy Freeman. Lay-flat binding for easy coloring.

Contributor Bio:

Across a variety of media - and now a coloring book - ketubah artist Judy Freeman expresses the mosaic of life's experiences. Her artwork may hang on a wall but it doesn't merely decorate, it commemorates Jewish life cycle events. A student of art in Europe and Israel, as well as a teacher of art and art history, Judy's artwork reflects an understanding

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**Mr. Tempkin Climbs a Tree**

Cary Fagan, Carles Arbat

9781541521735

Pub Date: 10/1/19, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: School's out, and Marky looks forward to summer, including helping his friend and neighbor, Mr. Tempkin, with his garden. But when Mr. Tempkin's plan to thwart the squirrels that have been raiding his birdfeeder goes awry, Marky learns how special a friendship can be.

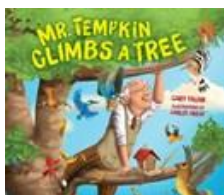
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Cary Fagan is the award-winning author of many popular novels and picture books for kids. He is also the author of several novels and story collections for adults. Cary lives in Toronto.

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**New Month, New Moon**

Allison Ofanansky, Eliyahu Alpern

9781467719452

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$16.95 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: It's Rosh Chodesh, the beginning of a new month in the Jewish calendar! In celebration of this monthly event, a family goes out to the Negev Desert to camp out and observe the moon. A photo essay about the changing phases of the moon and their relationship to the Jewish calendar, this beautifully photographed book explains the basics of the Jewish calendar, which is based on the moon rather than the sun. Instructions for building a papier mache moon are included. This book is the fifth ...

Contributor Bio:

Allison Ofanansky, born in the U.S., moved to Israel and became an Israeli citizen in 1996. She lives in the village of Kaditah near the mystical city of Safed, with her husband Shmuel and daughter Aravah. They enjoy hiking the hills of the Galilee, gathering and eating the fruits that grow there. They are involved in environmental and eco-peace projects. Born and raised outside Chicago and now living in Israel, photographer **Eliyahu Alpern** has been interested in food

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**Pavel and the Tree Army**

Heidi Smith Hyde, Elisa Vavouri

9781512444469

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Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

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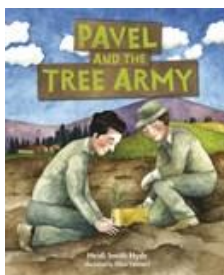
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**Raisins and Almonds : A Yiddish Lullaby**

Susan Tarcov, Sonia Sánchez

9781541521612

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32 pages

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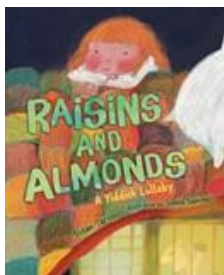
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Contributor Bio:

Susan Tarcov grew up next to the Bronx Zoo, a great inspiration for writing children's books. She is married, has three children, and lives in Chicago. Her previous books include *Maya Prays for Rain*, *Raisins and Almonds: A Yiddish Lullaby*, and *The Rabbia and His Donkey*. Award-winning illustrator Sonia Sánchez paints with both traditional and digital brushes using layers of texture in her work to evoke emotion and movement. Sonia lives in Spain.

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9781541521629

Pub Date: 4/1/19, On Sale Date: 4/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

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32 pages

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**Sammy Spider's First ABC**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781728424286

Pub Date: 4/1/22, On Sale Date: 4/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

32 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

A Jewish-themed alphabet book for Sammy Spider's many preschool fans

Summary: Sammy Spider goes through the English alphabet using the Jewish holidays and traditions celebrated by the Shapiro family. With its sweet rhymes and iconic illustrations, this book is a fun new addition to the **Sammy Spider** collection.

Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has

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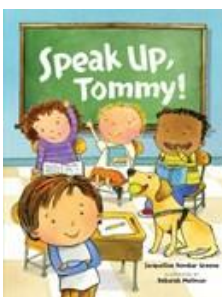
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**Speak Up, Tommy!**

Jacqueline Dembar Greene, Deborah Melmon
9780761374978

Pub Date: 8/1/12, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Tommy's classmates tease him about his Israeli accent and the way he speaks English. But his knowledge of Hebrew makes him a hero when a policeman and his dog come to visit Tommy's school.

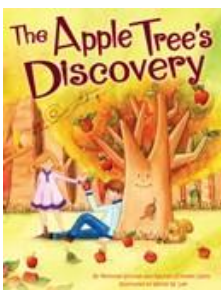
Contributor Bio:

Jacqueline Dembar Greene is the award-winning author of more than 30 books for young readers, including the American Girl® Rebecca Rubin series and *The Secret Shofar of Barcelona*. She lives in Wayland, Massachusetts.

Deborah Melmon has been a freelance illustrator in the San Francisco Bay area for over 30 years. Among her many picture books are *Picnic at Camp Shalom*, *Speak Up, Tommy*, *One Good Deed*, and *Chicken Soup, Chicken, Soup*. Deborah lives with a comical Airedale Terrier named...

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**The Apple Tree's Discovery**

Peninnah Schram, Rachayl Eckstein Davis, Wendy W. Lee

9780761351320

Pub Date: 1/1/12, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

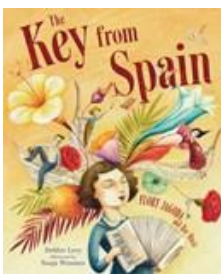
Summary: A little apple tree in a forest of oaks begs God for stars like those glimmering on the branches of the great oak trees beside her. As the seasons pass, she learns to appreciate her own gifts and realizes that it's possible to find a star in each of us.

Contributor Bio:

Peninnah Schram is a storyteller, teacher, author, a recording artist, and a professor at Stern College of Yeshiva University. She is the author of many books of Jewish folktales and has recorded a CD of folktales, *The Minstrel and the Storyteller*. She has received many awards for her work including the Covenant Award for Outstanding Jewish Educator, The Circle of Excellence Award, and the National Storytellers Network Lifetime Achievement Award. Rachayl Eckstein Davis is a story...

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**The Key from Spain : Flory Jagoda and Her Music**

Debbie Levy, Sonja Wimmer

9781541522190

Pub Date: 8/1/19, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

With huge interest in multi-cultural Judaism in the Jewish world these days, this picture book biography of a Sephardic Jewish singer tells a story unfamiliar to most American Jews whose ancestry comes from eastern Europe (Ashkenazim) rather than the Levant or Spanish part of the world (Sephardim). ...

Summary: When Flory's ancestors are forced to leave Spain during the time of the Spanish Inquisition, they take with them their two most precious possessions—the key to their old house and the Ladino language. When Flory flees Europe during World War II to begin a new life in the United States, she carries Ladino with her, along with her other precious possessions—her *harmoniku* and her music. But what of the key?

Discover the story of Ladino singer Flory Jagoda.

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**The Mountain Jews and the Mirror**

Ruchama King Feuerman, Polona Kosec, Marcela Calderón

9781467738965

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 10, Grades K to 4

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Yosef and Estrella have spent their whole lives in Morocco's Atlas Mountains. When they move to the city, they face a strange, unfamiliar world. Will their love survive the surprises of their new home? A funny and charming folktale-like story of mistaken identities.

Contributor Bio:

Ruchama King Feuerman is the author of two adult novels, *Seven Blessings* and *In the Courtyard of the Kabbalist*. This is her first children's book. She lives in Passaic, New Jersey. Polona Kosec has an MA from the Academy of Fine Arts in Ljubljana. She illustrates with acrylics, but she also enjoys drawing with other materials. She lives in Ljubljana, the capital city of Slovenia.

Marcela Calderon lives in Argentina. She likes the smell of graphite, the scent of wood pencils, the s...

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**The Singer and the Scientist**

Lisa Rose, Isabel Muñoz

9781541576094

Pub Date: 4/1/21, On Sale Date: 4/1

Ages 5 to 11, Grades K to 5

\$17.99 USD/\$23.99 CAD

32 pages

Hardcover

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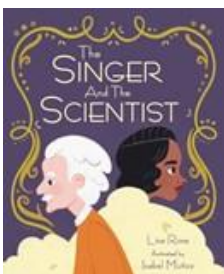
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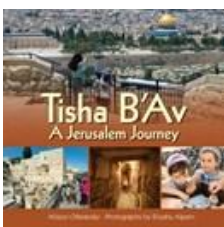
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**Tisha B'Av : A Jerusalem Journey**

Allison Ofanansky, Eliyahu Alpern

9781467789301

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$16.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

Summary: Israeli kids and their aunt observe the holiday of Tisha B'Av, which commemorates the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, by visiting an archaeological dig at the Temple Mount and participating in their own hands-on dig, in this beautifully photographed book.

Contributor Bio:

Allison Ofanansky, born in the U.S., moved to Israel and became an Israeli citizen in 1996. She lives in the village of Kaditah near the mystical city of Safed, with her husband Shmuel and daughter Aravah. They enjoy hiking the hills of the Galilee, gathering and eating the fruits that grow there. They are involved in environmental and eco-peace projects. Born and raised outside Chicago and now living in Israel, photographer **Eliyahu Alpern** has been interested in food, travel, and...

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**Beni's War**

Tammar Stein

9781541578869

Pub Date: 11/1/20, On Sale Date: 11/1

Ages 9 to 13, Grades 4 to 7

\$17.99 USD

280 pages

Hardcover

Summary: It's Yom Kippur Eve in 1973, and twelve-year-old Beni thinks his biggest problem is settling in at his new school in the Golan, where his family moved at the end of the Six-Day War.

But on Yom Kippur, shocking news comes over the radio: a stunning strike on Israel has begun, led by a coalition of Arab states. In the blink of an eye, Beni's older brother Motti is off to war, leaving Beni behind with his mother and father.

As bombs drop around Beni and his family, they flee to safety, e...

Contributor Bio:

Tammar Stein is the award-winning author of four young adult novels including *Beni's War*, which was named a Sydney Taylor Notable Book of Jewish Content. She is a graduate of the University of Virginia with a degree in English

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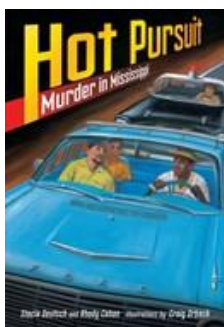
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**Hot Pursuit : Murder in Mississippi**

Stacia Deutsch, Rhody Cohon, Craig Orback

9780761339564

Pub Date: 1/1/10, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 8 to 9, Grades 3 to 5

\$7.95 USD

40 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: It was the Freedom Summer of 1964. Civil rights workers Mickey Schwerner, Andrew Goodman, and James Chaney were driving through rural Mississippi. When a police cruiser flashed its lights behind them, they hesitated. Were these law-abiding officers or members of the Ku Klux Klan? Should they pull over or try to outrun their pursuers? The last day in the lives of these courageous young men is relived in this gripping story.

Contributor Bio:

Stacia Deutsch and Rhody Cohon have written and published more than twenty-three books. In addition to their award winning creative chapter book series entitled Blast To The Past, they have also written junior movie tie-in novels for summer blockbuster films including Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs. Stacia lives in Irvine, California with her three children. Rhody lives in Tucson with her three kids.

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**Jewish Sports Stars : Athletic Heroes Past and Present** (Revised)

David J. Goldman

9781467712064

Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 9 to 10, Grades 6 to 12

\$9.95 USD

96 pages

Trade Paperback

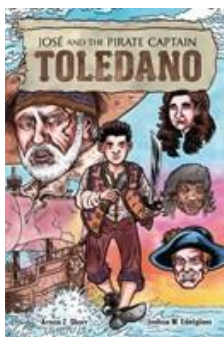
Summary: Teeming with intriguing facts, statistics and historical anecdotes, this revised and updated edition of *Jewish Sports Stars* reveals the achievements of Jewish star athletes past and present.

Contributor Bio:

David J. Goldman received his journalism and law degrees at the University of Minnesota. He lives in Minneapolis where he continues a life-long interest in playing and following sports. He shares this interest with his two sons and grandson. He is also the author of *Presidential Losers* and *Freedom of the Press*.

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**José and the Pirate Captain Toledano**

Arnon Z. Shorr, Joshua M. Edelglass

9781728420097

Pub Date: 5/1/22, On Sale Date: 5/1

Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 6

\$8.99 USD/\$11.99 CAD

96 pages

Trade Paperback

A coming-of-age adventure story taking place on the high seas, involving pirates, action, and a search for identity

Summary: Set in the shadows of the Spanish Inquisition, this is the coming-of-age story of José Alfaro, a young refugee who forms a powerful bond with the mysterious Pirate Captain Toledano. It's also a dynamic pirate adventure on the high seas, with hand-to-hand combat and ship-to-ship action, and the powerful story of a dark time in history when people took different paths to survive.

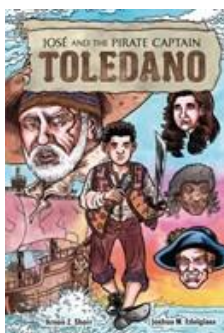
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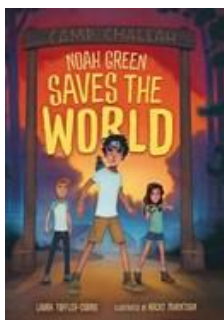
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**Noah Green Saves the World**

Laura Toffler-Corrie, Macky Pamintuan
9781541560369

Pub Date: 10/1/20, On Sale Date: 10/1
Ages 9 to 13, Grades 4 to 7

\$17.99 USD

280 pages

Hardcover

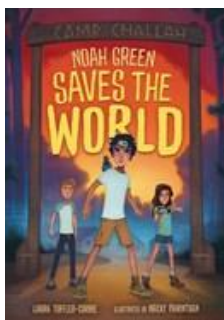
Summary: Noah is a would-be filmmaker who has trouble making friends and understanding people. In *Noah Green Saves the World*, by Laura Toffler-Corrie, Noah thinks that this summer, the best place for him is the David Lynch Film Camp, to work on his film "opus," and not his parents' choice, Camp Challah, to work on his bar mitzvah project. But before camp starts, Noah's grandfather "Pops" takes him aside, along with Simon, a new arrival but not quite friend, and tells them both "It's up to you to..."

Contributor Bio:

Macky Pamintuan was born and raised in the Southern Philippines. He received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Academy of Art College in San Francisco. In addition to illustrating, Macky enjoys playing basketball, his other true passion. He lives in the Philippines with his wife, baby girl, and a West Highland white terrier named Winter.

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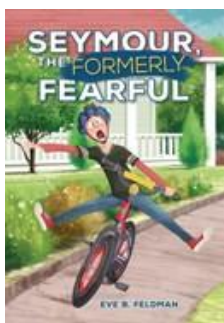
Summary: Noah is a would-be filmmaker who has trouble making friends and understanding people. In *Noah Green Saves the World*, by Laura Toffler-Corrie, Noah thinks that this summer, the best place for him is the David Lynch Film Camp, to work on his film "opus," and not his parents' choice, Camp Challah, to work on his bar mitzvah project. But before camp starts, Noah's grandfather "Pops" takes him aside, along with Simon, a new arrival but not quite friend, and tells them both "It's up to you to..."

Contributor Bio:

Macky Pamintuan was born and raised in the Southern Philippines. He received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Academy of Art College in San Francisco. In addition to illustrating, Macky enjoys playing basketball, his other true passion. He lives in the Philippines with his wife, baby girl, and a West Highland white terrier named Winter.

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**Seymour, the Formerly Fearful**

Eve B. Feldman, Parwinder Singh
9781541539518

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184 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Seymour Goldfarb has a big problem. He's afraid of everything! He dreads roller coasters and the beach. He refuses to go to Camp Sportahama. He won't even learn to ride a bike.

Quick thinking helps Seymour hide his fears from the world. But things change the summer his cousin Pessach comes to visit from Israel. Big, confident Pessach is strong and fearless. His idea of a good time is parachuting out of a plane, which he did as an Israeli paratrooper. And he demands that Seymour show hi...

Contributor Bio:

Eve Feldman grew up on Long Island, and attended Sarah Lawrence College and the Harvard Graduate School of Education. She has taught elementary school, remedial reading and English as a foreign language in the United States and abroad. When not busy writing, reading and laughing, Eve enjoys visiting schools and sharing her

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**Sydney A. Frankel's Summer Mix-Up**

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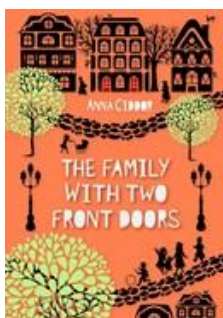
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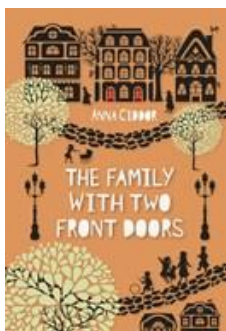
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Anna Ciddor has made her name as a versatile writer and illustrator of fiction, travel, and historical books for children. She lives in Australia.

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Yona Zeldis McDonough was born in Hadera, Israel, and lives in Brooklyn, New York. Educated at Vassar College and Columbia University, she is the author of eight novels for

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**Too Far From Home**

Naomi Shmuel, Avi Katz

9781541546714

Pub Date: 3/3/20, On Sale Date: 3/3

Ages 8 to 13, Grades 3 to 7

\$15.99 USD

96 pages

Hardcover

Summary: *"There's an Ethiopian; there's an Ethiopian!" I heard them shouting. I looked behind me, but I couldn't see any Ethiopian. Children began crowding round me, and I still didn't realize that they meant me, I was the Ethiopian.*

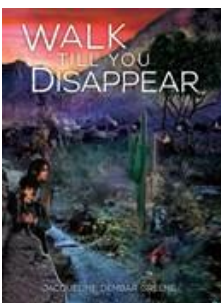
Meskerem was born in a small town in the Golan Heights of Israel, to an Ethiopian mother and an American father. Soon after Operation Solomon, when several thousand Ethiopian immigrants were brought to Israel, Meskerem's parents decided to move to the center of the...

Contributor Bio:

Naomi Shmuel is an author of more than 15 books, as well as an illustrator and anthropologist. She was the author of the first children's books in Hebrew to feature characters of color. Born in England, she began writing for her own children following their encounters with bias: her husband made the long and difficult journey on foot from Ethiopia to Sudan in order to reach Israel. The Hebrew version of *Too*

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**Walk Till You Disappear**

Jacqueline Dembar Greene, Odessa Sawyer

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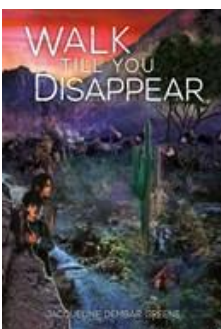
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Before **Betsy R. Rosenthal** was a writer, she was a civil rights lawyer. She lives with her husband and three children in Pacific Palisades, California. To learn more about Betsy, visit her at www.BetsyRosenthal.com.

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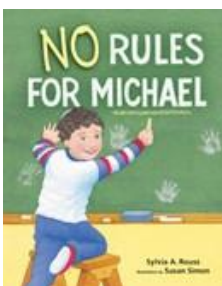
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**No Rules for Michael**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Susan Simon

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Ages 3 to 7, Grades P to 1

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24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

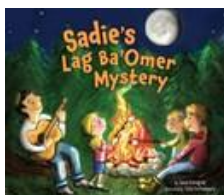
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**Sadie's Lag Ba'Omer Mystery**

Jamie Korngold, Julie Fortenberry
9780761390480

Pub Date: 1/1/14, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 2 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: "What is Lag Ba'Omer?" Sadie and Ori ask their grandfather, who sends them off on a mission to solve the mystery. They learn the surprising history and traditions behind the holiday, and invite their friends and family to a Lag Ba'Omer picnic and celebration.

The fourth title in the "Sadie and Ori" Jewish holiday series including *Sadie's Sukkah Breakfast*, *Sadie and the Big Mountain*, and *Sadie's Almost Marvelous Menorah*.

Contributor Bio:

Rabbi Jamie S. Korngold received ordination from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is the founder and spiritual leader of the Adventure Rabbi Program. She lives in Boulder, Colorado with her two daughters, Sadie and Ori.

Julie Fortenberry is an abstract painter and a children's

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**Sammy Spider's First Shavuot**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9780822572244

Pub Date: 1/1/08, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

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Hardcover Picture Book

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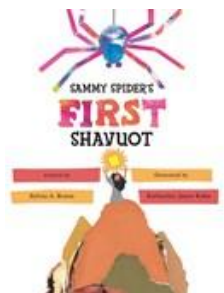
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Allison Marks worked for over two decades as the librarian at Temple Israel in Akron, Ohio. She also reviewed Jewish children's books for the Association of Jewish Libraries newsletter. Alongside her husband, she has co-written multiple books, such as *Og's Ark* and *The Art Lesson*.

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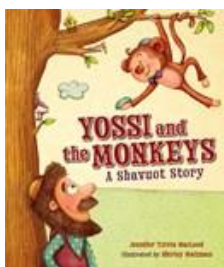
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Jennifer Tzivia MacLeod, Shirley Waisman
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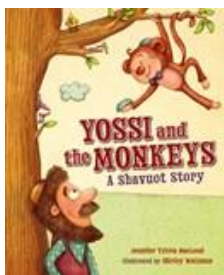
Contributor Bio:

Jennifer Tzivia MacLeod lives in northern Israel with her family. Her previous book, *Yossi and the Monkeys*, has become a Shavuot favorite.

Shirley Waisman studied visual communication at Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design in Jerusalem. She illustrates children's books, magazines, textiles, and advertisements, experimenting with different kinds of techniques, styles, and materials. She lives in Israel.

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Paperback Picture Book

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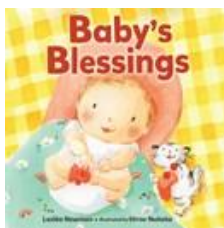
Contributor Bio:

Jennifer Tzivva MacLeod lives in northern Israel with her family. Her previous book, *Yossi and the Monkeys*, has become a Shavuot favorite.

Shirley Waisman studied visual communication at Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design in Jerusalem. She illustrates children's books, magazines, textiles, and advertisements, experimenting with different kinds of techniques, styles, and materials. She lives in Israel.

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**Baby's Blessings**

Lesléa Newman, Hiroe Nakata

9781541522145

Pub Date: 10/1/19, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Sweet Jewish-themed book for babies

Summary: In this charming board book, a Jewish family celebrates the arrival of a baby!

*Blessings in our house abound,
Newest is the wondrous sound,
Of baby whom we hold so dear,
Crying out with joy, "I'm here!"*

Contributor Bio:

Lesléa Newman has created 80 books for readers of all ages. Her awards include two National Jewish Book Awards, the Massachusetts Book Award, and the Sydney Taylor Body-of-Work Award. She lives in

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**Bubbe's Belated Bat Mitzvah**

Isabel Pinson, Valeria Cis

9781467719506

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When Naomi convinces her 95-year-old great-grandmother that it's not too late to become a Bat Mitzvah, all the cousins pitch in to help Bubbe celebrate her big day. While usually it's the grandmother that teaches the child, in this story the tables are turned and Naomi realizes that she has something very special to teach her great-grandmother.

Contributor Bio:

Valeria Cis was born and raised in Argentina, where she still lives with her son, Facundo, daughter, Olivia and husband, Sebastian. Valeria studied fine art at the University of Humanities and Arts in Rosario, Argentina.

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**Mazel Tov! It's a Boy/Mazel Tov! It's a Girl**

Jamie Korngold, Jeff Finkelstein

9781467719582

Pub Date: 1/1/15, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Join a Jewish family as they celebrate the birth of a baby brother, and then flip this book over to celebrate the birth of a baby sister!

Contributor Bio:

Rabbi Jamie S. Korngold received ordination from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is the founder and spiritual leader of the Adventure Rabbi Program. She lives in Boulder, Colorado with her two daughters, Sadie and Ori.

Jeff Finkelstein's images have appeared in hundreds of publications including *National Geographic*, *USA Today* and *The Jerusalem Post*. He lives in Boulder, Colorado with his wife and two daughters.

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**My Name is Aviva**

Lesléa Newman, Ag Jatkowska

9781467726542

Pub Date: 8/1/15, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Series: Life Cycle

Summary: "My name is Aviva, not Amoeba!" shouts Aviva at her teasing classmates. Aviva is determined to change her name until she discovers where her name comes from and why her parents chose that special name for her.

Contributor Bio:

Lesléa Newman has created 80 books for readers of all ages. Her awards include two National Jewish Book Awards, the Massachusetts Book Award, and the Sydney Taylor Body-of-Work Award. She lives in Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Ag Jatkowska was born in Gdansk, Poland. She graduated from the Academy of Fine Arts in Gdansk with an MA in Graphic Design and Illustration. She lives in Bath, England.

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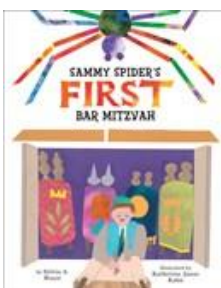
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**Sammy Spider's First Bar Mitzvah**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781467789318

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

Summary: Josh's cousin Ben is having his bar mitzvah, and Sammy accidentally ends up coming along! He gets an up-close view of the Torah readings, the blessings . . . and one tradition that gets this silly little spider into even more trouble than usual.

Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781467794121

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\$7.99 USD

32 pages

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**Sammy Spider's First Wedding**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781512483666

Pub Date: 5/1/19, On Sale Date: 5/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

Summary: Uh oh! Curious Sammy Spider slips from his web and accidentally accompanies the Shapiro family to a wedding. Sammy watches the Jewish ceremony as the bride and groom stand under the beautiful chuppah, hears the seven wedding blessings, and—phew!—narrowly escapes as the groom's foot breaks the wedding glass. What an adventure!

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**Sammy Spider's First Wedding**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781512483673

Pub Date: 5/1/19, On Sale Date: 5/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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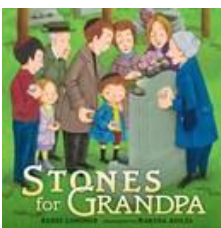
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**Stones for Grandpa**

Renee Londner, Martha Avilés

9780761374961

Pub Date: 1/1/13, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades K to 3

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: A little boy and his family gather at the cemetery for the unveiling of his grandpa's gravestone, bringing stones to place on the grave, in the Jewish custom. They tell stories that help the boy deal with his loss, reminding him of the wonderful memories he has of his grandpa.

Contributor Bio:

Renee Londner is the author of children's books including *Ruby's Whistle* and *Stones for Grandpa*, a Sydney Taylor Honor Book. Her stories have also appeared in magazines including *Jewish Family*, *Shofar*, and *Spider*. She lives in Connecticut.

Martha Avilés was born and raised in Mexico City. She has illustrated many children's books including *Say Hello*, *Lily*; *The Shabbat Princess*; and *Stones for Grandpa*.

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**The Flower Girl Wore Celery**

Meryl G. Gordon, Holly Clifton-Brown

9781467778497

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades P to 5

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

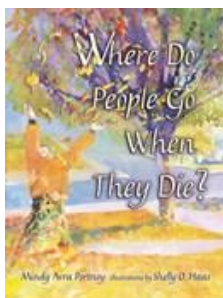
Summary: Emma can't wait for her cousin Hannah's wedding. She's going to be the flower girl. That means she'll wear a celery dress and walk down the aisle with the ring bear, leading the way for the happy bride and groom. Or at least, that's what Emma assumes. But nothing turns out to be quite what she's expecting, as Hannah's new spouse turns out to be another bride!

Contributor Bio:

Holly Clifton-Brown was born in London and attended Chelsea School of Art, Media, and Design and Bristol UWE Faculty of Art, Media and Design, where she attained a B.A. in Illustration. Her work has been exhibited at The London Transport Museum. She is the author and illustrator of *Annie Hoot and the Knitting Extravaganza* and has illustrated other picture books including *Big Bouffant* and *Big Birthday*.

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**Where Do People Go When They Die?**

Mindy Avra Portnoy, Shelly O. Haas
9781467744577
Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1
Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2
\$9.99 USD
24 pages
Paperback Picture Book

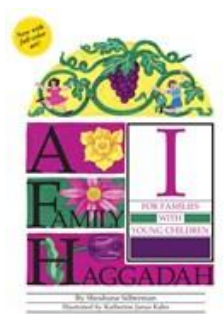
Summary: In this touching narrative, young children ask, "Where do people go when they die?" Each child asks an adult that they trust--a father, a mother, a grandfather, an aunt, a teacher--and, although the reassuring answers they receive are all different, each leads back to the same simple truth: when people die, "They go to God. Who is everywhere." With an afterward and helpful suggestions about how to explain death to children, readers will find insight into one of the emotional issues we a...

Contributor Bio:

Mindy Avra Portnoy is the author of several books, including *Where Do People Go When They Die?* and *Matzah Ball: A Passover Story*. She is a graduate of Yale University and was ordained at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. She is the Rabbi of Temple Sinai in Washington, D.C.

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**A Family Haggadah I, 2nd Edition** (Revised)

Shoshana Silberman, Katherine Janus Kahn
9780761352105
Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5
\$5.99 USD
64 pages
Trade Paperback

Summary: With just the right blend of text and commentary, the popular *A Family Haggadah*, with new full-color art, is the haggadah of choice for families with young children to use at their Passover seders. Hebrew prayers and songs include English translations and transliterations.

Contributor Bio:

Dr. Shoshana Silberman is a Consultant at the Auerbach Central Agency for Jewish Education in Philadelphia. She is the author of *The Family Haggadah I, II* and board book, and *The Whole Megillah (Almost!)*, and other Jewish content books for children and parents.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Mary...

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**A Family Haggadah II** (Revised)

Shoshana Silberman, Katherine Janus Kahn
9780761352112
Pub Date: 1/1/10, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5
\$5.99 USD
64 pages
Trade Paperback

Summary: Features commentary and discussion questions for preteens through adult, and a full *birkat hamazon* (blessing after the meal).

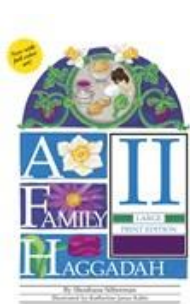
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A Family Haggadah II - Large Print Edition, 2nd Edition (Revised)

Shoshana Silberman, Katherine Janus Kahn
9780761360285

Pub Date: 1/1/10, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 18, Grades P to 12

\$7.99 USD

64 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Features new commentary and discussion questions for pre-teens through adult, and a full birkat hamazon (blessing after the meal). The large-print edition is ideal for seder leaders, senior adults, and the visually impaired.

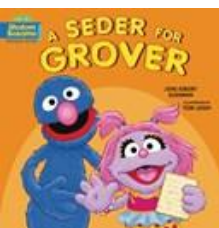
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A Seder for Grover

Joni Kibort Sussman, Tom Leigh

9781541529212

Pub Date: 2/1/19, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: Hello, everybodeee! It is Passover, and I am going to a seder at my friend Avigail's house.

A Seder for Grover introduces very young readers to Passover traditions with friends from *Sesame Street*. Big Bird, Moishe Oofnik, and Avigail join their friend Grover to celebrate the spring holiday of Passover. Together they eat matzah, read from the Haggadah, and find the afikomen.

Contributor Bio:

Joni Sussman's books include *My First Yiddish Word Book*, and four Jewish-themed *Sesame Street* board books.

Tom Leigh is a children's book author and longtime illustrator of *Sesame Street* and *Muppet* books. He lives on Little Deer Isle off the coast of Maine.

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A Tale of Two Seders

Mindy Avra Portnoy, Valeria Cis

9780822599319

Pub Date: 1/1/10, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades K to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: When her parents get divorced, a little girl is worried about many things, including how she will celebrate the Jewish holidays in two different households. The holiday of Passover gives her a chance to celebrate separately with each parent. Over the course of three years and six seders, she and her family work to adjust to this new world, creating happy new lives and new family traditions.

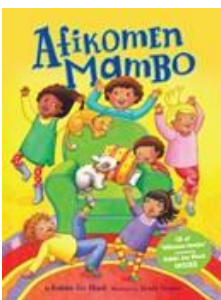
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Valeria Cis was born and raised in Argentina, where she still

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**Afikomen Mambo**

Joe Black, Linda Prater

9780761356394

Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 5 to 6, Grades P to P

\$8.95 USD

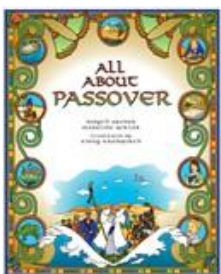
24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Popular children's songster and author of *Boker Tov!*, Rabbi Joe Black returns with a catchy rhyme to enliven the afikomen hunt at your seder. This title includes lively pictures and a sing-along CD.

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**All About Passover**

Judyth Groner, Madeline Wikler, Kinny Kreiswirth

9781580130608

Pub Date: 8/1/00, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades K to 4

\$9.95 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: Features the history and customs of Passover, including the story of the Exodus, all about chametz and matzah, the tradition of tzedakah at Passover, and an introduction to the seder. Includes favorite recipes.

Contributor Bio:

Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler founded Kar-Ben Copies, Inc. in 1975, with the publication of *My Very Own Haggadah*, which they wrote and illustrated. The book has sold over 2 million copies and is still in print. They have authored more than two dozen books, as well as 36 editions of *My Very Own Jewish Calendar*, and have received the prestigious *Sydney Taylor Body of Work Award* from the Association of Jewish Libraries.

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**Alligator Seder**

Jessica Hickman, Elissambura

9781541560413

Pub Date: 1/1/20, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: *They look for bits of chametz. They're good investigators. They're really just like you and me— except they're ALLIGATORS.*

A whimsical alligator family celebrates Passover.

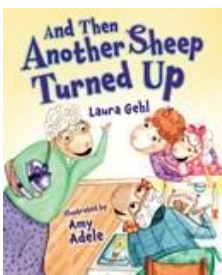
Contributor Bio:

Jessica Hickman is a South Florida native, proud mama, and children's book author. She lives in Austin, Texas, with her family, where she enjoys live music, farmer's markets, and exploring the outdoors. *Alligator Seder* is her debut children's book.

Elissambura is an illustrator of many children's books. She works in a variety of techniques, including digital and mixed media. Her favorite subject is animals. She lives in Argentina.

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**And Then Another Sheep Turned Up**

Laura Gehl, Amy Adele

9781467711890

Pub Date: 1/1/15, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: *Mama set another place.**Papa found an extra seat.**Hannah squeezed to make more space,**Thrilled to have a guest to greet.*

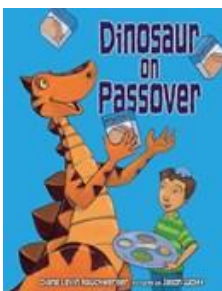
Uh-oh! As the sheep family Passover seder begins, more and more guests show up!

Contributor Bio:

Laura Gehl is the author of nearly a dozen picture books, board books, and early readers including *And Then Another Sheep Turned Up* and *I Got a Chicken for My Birthday*. A former science editor and reading teacher, Laura lives in Chevy Chase, Maryland, with her husband and four children.

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**Dinosaur on Passover**

Diane Levin Rauchwerger, Jason Wolff

9781580131612

Pub Date: 1/1/06, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: An eager, playful dinosaur causes havoc at the seder when he arrives at a young boy's house to join him in celebrating Passover.**Contributor Bio:**

Diane Levin Rauchwerger (*The Dinosaur on Hanukkah*) is a children's librarian as well as a synagogue librarian, where she runs a Jewish Mother Goose program using many of her own original songs and rhymes. She enjoys reading, hiking, quilting, photography, singing, and knitting. She and her husband have two grown children and live in Sunnyvale, CA.

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**Engineer Ari and the Passover Rush**

Deborah Bodin Cohen, Shahar Kober

9781467734714

Pub Date: 1/1/15, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

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32 pages

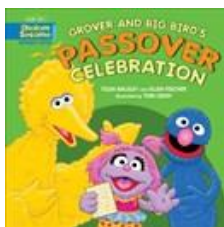
Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Engineer Ari rushes to complete his final train ride to Jerusalem before Passover begins, but will he run out of time before getting the items he needs for his seder plate?**Contributor Bio:**

Deborah Bodin Cohen was ordained at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. She is the author of many children's books including the Engineer Ari series, *The Seventh Day*, *Papa Jethro*, and *Nachshon Who Was Afraid to Swim*. Her books have received numerous honors, including a National Jewish Book award, Sydney Taylor honor designations and the Sugarman prize. She lives in Rockville, MD, with her husband David and three children.

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**Grover and Big Bird's Passover Celebration**

Ellen Fischer, Tilda Balsley, Tom Leigh
9780761384915

Pub Date: 1/1/13, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$16.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Grover and Big Bird are in a hurry to get to the Passover seder, but—uh, oh!—there are many delays. Moishe Oofnik comes to the rescue in his tumbledown truck, but will they arrive in time to ask the Four Questions?

Contributor Bio:

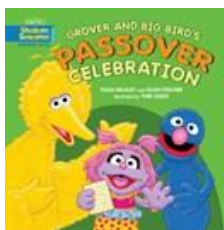
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Ellen Fischer, Tilda Balsley, Tom Leigh
9780761384922

Pub Date: 1/1/13, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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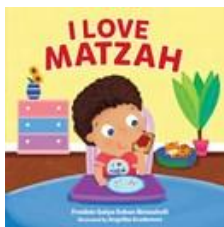
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**I Love Matzah**

Freidele Galya Soban Biniashvili, Angelika Scudamore
9781541557277

Pub Date: 2/4/20, On Sale Date: 2/4

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: How many times a day and how many ways can one eat matzah, the quintessential Passover cracker? For a kid, it's all day, every day and in many ways!

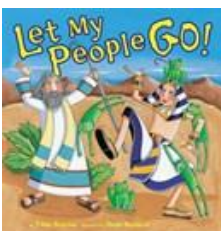
Contributor Bio:

Freidele Galya Soban Biniashvili has been writing stories and poems since she was young. She is the author of several children's books including *There's A Reason Why* and *Goldie and the Guests*. She lives in Toronto, Canada with her husband and children.

Angelika Scudamore is based in South London. She loves the hustle and bustle of the city and stopping off at small coffee shops, where she gathers inspiration from the people and atmosphere.

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**Let My People Go!**

Tilda Balsley, Ilene Richard

9780822572411

Pub Date: 1/1/08, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades K to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: The Passover story is enlivened in this creative rendition of the Ten Plagues.

Everyone can take part as Moses implores Pharaoh to "Let My People Go!" This light-hearted rhyming tale can be read alone or with a cast of characters as a "Reader's Theater." Perfect for family seders, library story time, and classroom dramatizations.

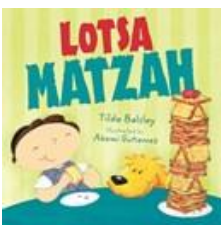
"This book will be welcome in Jewish and Christian educational settings and may enliven family Passover Seders. . ."—*School Library Journal*

Contributor Bio:

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**Lotsa Matzah**

Tilda Balsley, Akemi Gutierrez

9780761366294

Pub Date: 1/1/13, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary:

With matzah, we remember well / The Seder story we all tell.

A rhyming introduction to Passover's traditional food, with children eating and enjoying "lotsa matzah" many different ways during the holiday.

Introduce young children to Jewish life with Very First Board Books!

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Akemi Gutierrez was an assistant animator for Walt Disney Features, where her films included *Mulan*, *Descendants*, and

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**Matah Belowstairs**

Susan Lynn Meyer, Mette Engell

9781541521681

Pub Date: 2/1/19, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Miriam Mouse's family always celebrates Passover Belowstairs, while the human Winklers celebrate Abovestairs. But this year Miriam is finding it hard to get a piece of matzah to use for the Mouse family afikomen as the human family has decided to store their matzah in a tin. All seems lost for the Mouse family seder, until young Eli Winkler shares the afikomen with her.

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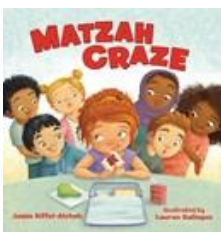
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**Matah Craze**

Jamie Kiffel-Alchek, Lauren Gallegos

9781541586697

Pub Date: 2/1/21, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

A fun way to reinforce the idea that it's fun and interesting to eat special foods on Jewish holidays, while also an accessible way to teach non-Jewish kids a bit about Passover

Summary: When Noa refuses to swap food from her lunch one day, her friends wonder why. She explains it's because it's Passover. For the rest of the week, she brings Passover foods to school to share with her friends to let them enjoy the holiday fun.

Contributor Bio:

Jamie Kiffel-Alchek regularly writes for National Geographic KIDS. Her many books include *Hard Hat Cat*, *Kol Hakavod: Way to Go!*, *A Hoopoe says Oop!*, *Rah! Rah! Mujadara*, *Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?* and *Listen! Israel's All Around*. She is also a lyricist for pop songs, advertisements and motion pictures. She lives in Burbank, California.

Lauren Galleaos has illustrated many children's books since

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**My Very Own Haggadah : A Seder Service for Young Children**

Judyth Groner, Madeline Wikler, Sally Springer

9781580130233

Pub Date: 1/1/99, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$4.99 USD

32 pages

Trade Paperback

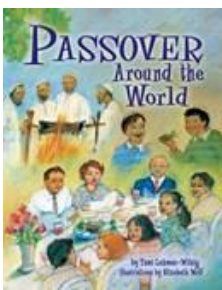
Summary: This child's first seder service features the story of Passover, an explanation of holiday symbols, seder blessings and songs. With bright pictures to color. Plus recipes, and craft ideas. The ultimate children's haggadah has over 2 million copies in print.

Contributor Bio:

Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler founded Kar-Ben Copies, Inc. in 1975, with the publication of *My Very Own Haggadah*, which they wrote and illustrated. The book has sold over 2 million copies and is still in print. They have authored more than two dozen books, as well as 36 editions of *My Very Own Jewish Calendar*, and have received the prestigious *Sydney Taylor Body of Work Award* from the Association of Jewish Libraries.

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**Passover Around the World**

Tami Lehman-Wilzig, Elizabeth Wolf
9781580132152
Pub Date: 1/1/07, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5
\$8.99 USD
48 pages
Trade Paperback

Summary: Introduces children to the many different ways of celebrating Passover around the world, including customs that can be adopted for use in the child's own family seder.

Contributor Bio:

Born in the United States, **Tami Lehman-Wilzig** now lives in Israel. She has a Bachelor's Degree in English Literature and an M.A. in Communications from Boston University. She is one of Israel's leading English language copywriters. Her children's books include *Tasty Bible Stories*, *Keeping the Promise*, *Passover Around the World*, *Hanukkah Around the World* and *Luis de Torres Sails to Freedom*. She lives in Kfar Saba, Israel.

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**Passover Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli
9781467752428
Pub Date: 1/1/16, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P
\$5.99 USD
12 pages
Board Book
Series: Passover

Summary: Passover is coming!

Readers join a cute family and their dog as they prepare for and celebrate the spring holiday of Passover, cleaning the house, making matzah ball soup, assembling the seder plate, saying the Four Questions, and looking for the afikomen at the end of the seder.

This 12-page board book features '3D-feeling' art by Viviana Garofoli, who illustrates all the books in this Jewish holiday series including *Shabbat is Coming!*, *Hanukkah is Coming!* and *Rosh Hashanah is Coming!*...

Contributor Bio:

Tracy Newman has written numerous books for children, including *Itzhak: A Boy who Loved the Violin*, which won a Schneider Family Honor. Her writing inspiration comes from her adventures raising her children. She lives in Connecticut.

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**Passover Scavenger Hunt**

Shanna Silva, Miki Sakamoto
9781467794220
Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1
Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3
\$7.99 USD
24 pages
Paperback Picture Book
Series: Passover

Summary: Rachel's uncle is terrible at hiding the afikomen. It's always too easy to find! So this year, Rachel decides to take over. She finds the perfect hiding spot and creates a series of clues for her cousins to follow. Can you guess where the hunt will lead them?

Contributor Bio:

Shanna Silver is an author, freelance writer, and producer. She is a graduate of New York University with a BA in Psychology and is a contributor to the Jewish parenting blog Kveller. She is also a Broadway producer with two Tony® nominations for *The Visit* (2015) and *Leap of Faith* (2012). This is her first children's book. She lives in Bellmore, New York.

Miki Sakamoto studied fine arts and illustration at California State University in Long Beach. She is the illustrator of several...

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**Paulie's Passover Predicament**

Jane Sutton, Barbara Vagnozzi

9781512420975

Pub Date: 1/1/18, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Paulie the moos-ician can hardly wait to host a Passover seder for his friends. Unfortunately, his seder doesn't turn out quite the way he planned. Will the hunt for the afikomen make the evening a success?

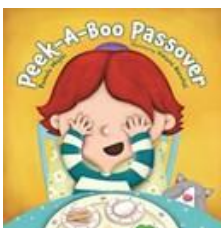
Contributor Bio:

Jane Sutton grew up in Roslyn, New York, where she began writing stories and poems at a young age. Jane is also a writing tutor and teaches a community education class for adults about how to write for kids. She, her husband, and her grown children live in the Boston area.

Barbara Vagnozzi loves illustrating, especially inventing funny animals. She enjoys giving presentations, where she can tell stories to little ones near her home in Bologna, Italy.

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**Peek-A-Boo Passover**

Pamela Mayer, Viviana Garofoli

9781728424316

Pub Date: 2/1/22, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 0 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

20 pages

Board Book

A cute "peek-a-boo" guessing game-style Passover book, encouraging page turning by little readers

Summary: "Peek-a-boo!" says a child on each page of this Passover board book, as little readers get a glimpse of all the items that appear on the Passover seder table. Turn the page to find out what each item is!

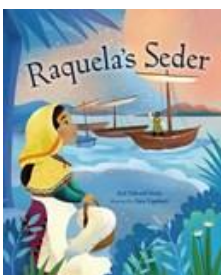
Contributor Bio:

Pamela Mayer lives in San Francisco, writes children's books, and works as a children's librarian. She and her husband have two daughters and a very cute dog named Charlie.

Viviana Garofoli was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she lives with her husband and two daughters. She has illustrated more than 70 children's books.

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**Raquela's Seder**

Joel Edward Stein, Sara Ugolotti

9781728427966

Pub Date: 2/1/22, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

A Passover story of a girl who learns to appreciate her Jewish heritage in Inquisition-era Spain

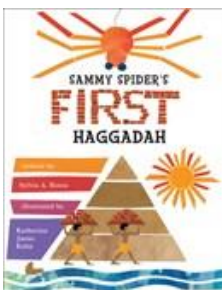
Summary: Raquela yearns to celebrate a Passover seder, but Inquisition-era Spain is a time when Jews must hide their religion. Under the rising moon, her clever papa, the best fisherman in town, creates a unique celebration for his family. In his fishing boat on the sea, far from prying eyes, they celebrate Raquela's first seder with matzah and the Passover story.

Contributor Bio:

Joel Stein is a former staff writer for CTB/McGraw-Hill. A member of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, he lives in Florida with his wife, son, two birds, and a tortoise. His books include *A Hanukkah with Mazel*, *The*

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**Sammy Spider's First Haggadah**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781580132305

Pub Date: 1/1/07, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Sammy leads young children through the steps of the Passover seder, telling the story of the Exodus, asking and answering the Four Questions, and sampling the traditional foods. Includes creative readings and songs, as well as colorful paper collage art by Katherine Janus Kahn.

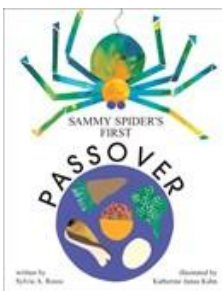
Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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**Sammy Spider's First Passover**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9780929371825

Pub Date: 1/1/94, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When Sammy Spider's web gets swept away during the Shapiro family's Passover cleaning, his mother decides spring is a perfect time to make a new web.

As Sammy learns to spin, he gets involved in the Passover seder and plays an important role in the success of the holiday meal.

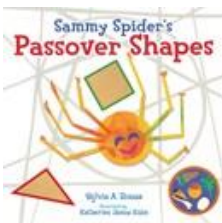
"An adorable story with vibrant cut-out illustrations and a surprise ending. The whole family will enjoy this charming story. . . ." —Parent Council

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**Sammy Spider's Passover Shapes**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781467779708

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Passover

Summary: Sammy Spider celebrates Passover with his friend Josh Shapiro, enjoying the kid-friendly holiday customs.

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**The Best Four Questions**

Rachelle Burk, Mélanie Florian

9781541521674

Pub Date: 2/1/19, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Marcy is finally old enough to ask The Four Questions at her family's Passover seder. She's sure when it's her time to shine, her questions will be the best ever. Though her four (funny) questions are not the ones in Haggadah, her family gently humors her with the answers before she and her brother go on to read the real Four Questions. The book includes The Four Questions in English and back matter includes the answers.

Contributor Bio:

Rachelle Burk writes both fiction and nonfiction for children. When she's not writing, Rachelle is a social worker, children's entertainer, and a Rescue Squad volunteer. Rachelle was raised in a small but active Jewish community in New Orleans. She lives with her family in New Jersey.

Mélanie Florian graduated from Emile Cohl Art School in Lyon, France with a degree in illustration. She always loved drawing and, as a child, spent countless hours with pencils

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**The Great Passover Escape**

Pamela Moritz, Florence Weiser

9781541588981

Pub Date: 2/1/21, On Sale Date: 2/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Kids can learn about Passover with animal friends, Ellie and Kanga, while enjoying the zoo animals' adventure.

Summary: Long-suffering Chimp tries to talk his friends Ellie the Elephant and Kanga the Kangaroo out of trying to escape from the Biblical Zoo to find a Passover seder to attend, but ends up joining them in the escapade, teaching them about the Passover holiday along the way. And whose house do they turn up at for the seder? Their old friend and zookeeper, Shmulik! Droll Passover story includes lots of funny mistakes when the animals try to remember the words for Passover items and get them all...

Contributor Bio:

Pamela Moritz loves writing for kids, teaching kids, and (sometimes) acting like a kid. She lives in Israel, and every so often you can find her at the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo admiring the elephants, kangaroos, or chimpanzees. She wonders where they might go if they really do escape

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**The Littlest Levine**

Sandy Lanton, Claire Keay

9780761390466

Pub Date: 1/1/14, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.95 USD

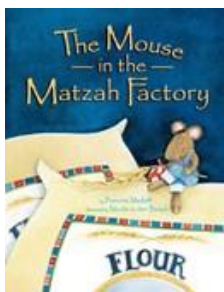
24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Hannah doesn't like being the littlest Levine. She's too short to hang fruit from the sukkah and too young to light the Hanukkah candles by herself. But when Passover comes, the littlest Levine gets a chance to shine in a big way.

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**The Mouse in the Matzah Factory**

Francine Medoff, Nicole in den Bosch
9781580130486

Pub Date: 1/1/03, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades P to 3

\$6.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

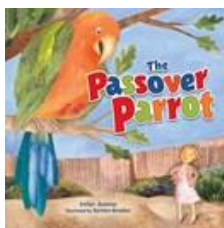
Summary: Journey with a curious little mouse as he travels from a wheat field in the country to a big city factory where harvested wheat is baked into matzah.

Contributor Bio:

Nicole in den Bosch lives and works with her family in a Civil War-era general store and schoolhouse on the eastern shore of Maryland. She has illustrated numerous books, greeting cards, and magazines.

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**The Passover Parrot, 2nd Edition (Revised)**

Evelyn Zusman, Kyrsten Brooker

9781512428827

Pub Date: 1/1/18, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: It's Lily's turn to say the Four Questions at the Passover Seder, but nobody will help her practice. Things change with the arrival of Hametz the Parrot. Clever Hametz not only helps Lily but solves the puzzle of who stole the afikomen! Back by popular demand, the newly illustrated The Passover Parrot will delight a new generation of children.

Contributor Bio:

Evelyn Zusman was a noted and beloved Hebrew school teacher in New York and Los Angeles, as well as an author of several Jewish children's books. She is best known for her book Passover Parrot, celebrating its 35th anniversary in this edition.

Kyrsten Brooker studied illustration at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York, and began her career illustrating for magazines and newspapers. She has illustrated more than 20 children's books. She lives with her husband, two sons and d...

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**Pinky Bloom and the Case of the Magical Menorah**

Judy Press, Erica-Jane Waters

9781541576254

Pub Date: 10/1/21, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 6

\$16.99 USD/\$21.99 CAD

80 pages

Hardcover

Series: Pinky Bloom

This series follows a spunky young Jewish investigator on an exciting and lighthearted adventures

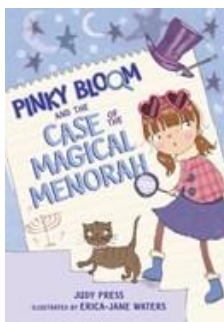
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Judy Press studied fine arts at Syracuse University and earned a masters in art education from the University of Pittsburgh. She is the creator of a dozen award-winning children's art activity books and early reader chapter books. A grandmother to ten. Press lives in Pittsburgh.

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 9781541576261
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 Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 6
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 80 pages
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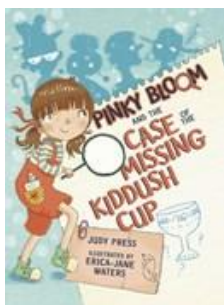
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**Pinky Bloom and the Case of the Missing Kiddush Cup**

Judy Press, Erica-Jane Waters
 9781541500167
 Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1
 Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 6
 \$8.99 USD
 80 pages
 Trade Paperback
 Series: Pinky Bloom

Summary: Fourth grader Penina—aka Pinky—is a Yankees fan, an older sister, and Brooklyn's greatest kid detective. With the help of her pet cat DJ, her best pal Lucy Chang, and her little brother Avi, Pinky unravels a vexing mystery—what happened to the ancient Jewish Kiddush cup that went missing from a museum exhibit? Pinky and her team get to the bottom of things through a series of exciting and intriguing adventures.

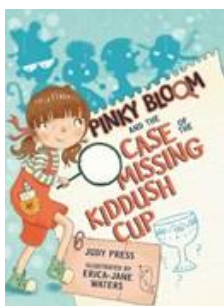
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 Hardcover
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**A Queen in Jerusalem**

Tami Shem-Tov, Rachella Sandbank, Avi Ofer
9781512444414

Pub Date: 1/1/18, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: In Jerusalem, in the early 20th century, a little girl named Malka—"queen" in Hebrew—dreams of dressing up as Queen Esther. It is the festival of Purim, and all the kids are looking forward to celebrating in their costumes. But Malka's mother doesn't have time to prepare a Purim costume for her. Where can Malka get a costume in time for the holiday?

Contributor Bio:

Tami Shem-Tov was born in Kiryat Ono, Israel, and lives in Tel Aviv. She teaches creative writing at the University of Haifa. Her previous children's books have won many awards, including an Andersen Honor and the Bialik Prize.

Rachella Sandbank is the children's and young adult books editor at Keter Books, one of the leading publishing houses in Israel. She lives in Hod HaSharon, Israel.

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Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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**It's Purim Time!**

Latifa Berry Kropf, Tod Cohen
9780761384939

Pub Date: 1/1/12, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$8.95 USD

24 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: In the fifth of Kar-Ben's popular holiday series, preschoolers dress up and act out the story of Purim, make groggers (noise makers) and hamentaschen (three-cornered cookies), and deliver *shalach manot* (Purim treats).

Contributor Bio:

Latifa Berry Kropf teaches preschool, remedial reading, and Israeli dancing. She is the author of *It's Challah Time!*, *It's Sukkah Time!*, *It's Seder Time!*, and *It's Hanukkah Time!* She lives in Charlottesville, Virginia.

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**Not for All the Hamantaschen in Town**

Laura Aron Milhandler, Inna Chernyak
9781467759304

Pub Date: 1/1/16, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Series: Purim

Summary: The three little pigs, Rishon, Sheni, and Shlishi, are getting ready for the Purim carnival! They can't wait to play games, eat hamantaschen, and march in the Purim parade. They all need crowns for their Purim costumes. Rishon makes his paper crown very quickly. Sheni spends a little more time on his poster board crown. Slishi works hardest and longest on his wonderful papier mache crown. But will their fun at the carnival be spoiled by the big bad wolf? After all, wolves love hamantasc...

Contributor Bio:

Laura Aron Milhandler has worked in a variety of classroom environments for over thirty years. She lives in Southern California with her husband, Rabbi Chaplain Kenneth Milhandler, their four children, and a chinchilla.

Inna Chernyak is an illustrator of magazines and children's books. Her passion for art brought her to Kharkov State Academy of Design and Arts from which she graduated with a degree in graphic design. She lives in Ukraine.

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**Purim Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781512408270

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Purim

Summary: *Roll dough, not too thick. Which fillings to pick? Purim is coming!*

The fifth in the popular Jewish holiday board book series by Newman and Garofoli, a family and their adorable dog celebrate the kid-friendly holiday of Purim with its megillah reading, parade, cookie baking, and carnival.

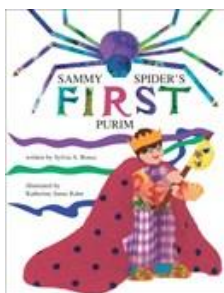
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**Sammy Spider's First Purim**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9781580130622

Pub Date: 8/1/00, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Sammy Spider wants to help Josh get ready for Purim. Instead, he gets stuck inside a grogger. How will he escape?

Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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**Talia and the Haman-tushies**

Linda Elovitz Marshall, Francesca Assirelli
9781512408256

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Series: Purim

Summary:

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But as Talia helps Grandma with the recipe and learns the story of Purim—from the bravery of Queen Esther to the schemes of wicked Haman—she discovers a lot about these holiday cookies that she didn't know. The third in Marshall's play-on-words Talia stories including *Talia and the Rude Vegetables* and *Talia and the Very YUM Kippur*. The book includes a recipe for Hamantaschen at the end.

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**The Purim Superhero**

Elisabeth Kushner, Mike Byrne
9780761390626

Pub Date: 1/1/13, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$8.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Nate loves aliens and he really wants to wear an alien costume for Purim, but his friends are all dressing as superheroes and he wants to fit in. What will he do? With the help of his two dads he makes a surprising decision.

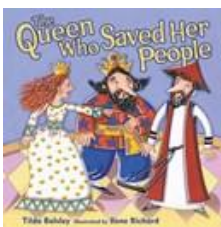
Contributor Bio:

Elisabeth Kushner lives in Vancouver, Canada, with her family and a jumble of books and musical instruments. If she were a superhero, she'd be Orange Ukulele Girl. Her favorite kind of hamantaschen is poppyseed. This is her first children's book.

Mike Byrne grew up near Liverpool, U.K., and then moved to London to work as an illustrator by day and a crayon wielding crime fighter by night. He now lives with his wife and two cats in the countryside. He spends his days doodling and ...

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**The Queen Who Saved Her People**

Tilda Balsley, Ilene Richard

9780761350934

Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 8 to 11, Grades 3 to 5

\$8.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: *Though you may know the Purim plot, the same old story, this is not. You'll want to give this shpiel a shot. Just be prepared to laugh a lot.*

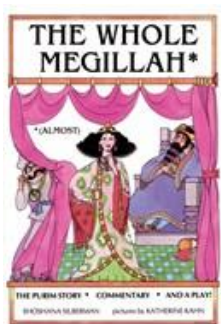
The Purim story has never been more fun! This lavishly rhyming tale is a wonderful read-aloud book, and its color-coded dialogue is perfect for Reader's Theater performances.

Contributor Bio:

Tilda Balsley has written many books for Kar-Ben, bringing her stories to life with rhyme, rhythm, and humor. Tilda lives with her husband and their rescue Shih Tzu in Reidsville, North Carolina.

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**The Whole Megillah : (Almost)**

Shoshana Silberman, Katherine Janus Kahn

9780929371238

Pub Date: 1/1/90, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 10, Grades P to 4

\$5.95 USD

40 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: A lively megillah perfect for congregations, schools, and families. Includes questions, songs, activities, and a 10-act play with production notes. In Hebrew and English.

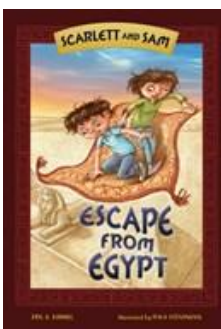
Contributor Bio:

Dr. Shoshana Silberman is a Consultant at the Auerbach Central Agency for Jewish Education in Philadelphia. She is the author of The Family Haggadah I, II and board book, and *The Whole Megillah (Almost!)*, and other Jewish content books for children and parents.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Mary...

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**Escape from Egypt : Escape from Egypt**

Eric A. Kimmel, Ivica Stevanovic

9781467738514

Pub Date: 1/1/15, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 6 to 9, Grades 1 to 3

\$6.99 USD

168 pages

Trade Paperback

Series: Scarlett and Sam

Summary: One minute, twins Scarlett and Sam are bickering about who's going to read the Four Questions at the Passover seder. The next minute, they've been swept up by Grandma Mina's time-traveling carpet and dumped in the ancient Egyptian desert! And as if being stranded 3,000 years in the past isn't bad enough, they also find their fellow Hebrews suffering in slavery. So they team up with Moses, Aaron, and Miriam to help free the slaves. The future's looking bright! But the story they know so ...

Contributor Bio:

Eric A. Kimmel has been writing for children for more than 40 years. His 100-plus titles include such classics as *Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock* and *The Chanukkah Guest*. He lives in Portland, Oregon.

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**Search for the Shamir**

Eric A. Kimmel, Ivica Stevanovic
 9781512429374
 Pub Date: 1/1/18, On Sale Date: 1/1
 Ages 6 to 9, Grades 1 to 3
 \$15.99 USD
 152 pages
 Hardcover
 Series: Scarlett and Sam

Summary: A close encounter with Grandma Mina's time-traveling carpet sends Scarlett and Sam to ancient Jerusalem, where some very important people need their help. The twins meet the prophet Nathan, the warrior Benayahu ben Yehoiada, and even King Solomon himself, the wisest ruler of all time. But Solomon has a big problem that even his wisdom can't solve. God wants him to build the Temple, but it can't be done without the mythical insect called the shamir. It's up to the twins to find the shami...

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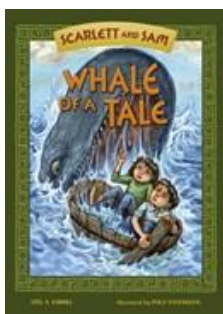
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**Whale of a Tale**

Eric A. Kimmel, Ivica Stevanovic
 9781541522169
 Pub Date: 10/1/19, On Sale Date: 10/1
 Ages 6 to 9, Grades 1 to 3
 \$15.99 USD
 152 pages
 Hardcover
 Series: Scarlett and Sam

Summary: Scarlett and Sam are back again in a twist on the biblical adventure tale of Jonah and the whale. When the twins take Grandma Mina's special carpet to be cleaned and repaired, they encounter a strange person who steps on the rug and disappears! Scarlett and Sam follow him back through time to ancient Israel, where they find themselves on a ship. Why have they been sent back in time to this ship on a stormy sea? Soon the answer comes. The man is Jonah and they're in the story of Jonah an...

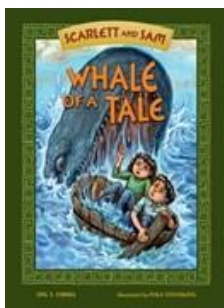
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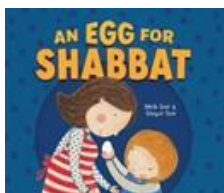
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**An Egg for Shabbat**

Mirik Snir, Eleyor Snir
 9781541596658
 Pub Date: 3/1/21, On Sale Date: 3/1
 Ages 4 to 7, Grades P to 1
 \$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD
 32 pages
 Paperback Picture Book

Toddlers will love this sweet and funny Shabbat story about a little boy whose mother's love remains steadfast as he tries - and fails - to fetch her an egg from the henhouse.

Summary: Every day Ben's mom sends him out to fetch an egg from the chicken pen. But each day, havoc ensues and Ben comes back empty-handed. Until finally, just in time for Shabbat, he achieves his goal.

Contributor Bio:

Author **Mirik Snir** was born in Israel in 1948, during the Israeli War of Independence. A well-known Israeli author, she has published more than 100 children's books. Mirik is a mother to nine children, a grandmother to ten, a writer-poet, and an elementary school and special education teacher. Illustrator **Eleyor Snir** is Mirik's daughter, the fourth of nine children. A professional illustrator, her unique style is composed of naive and vivid illustrations. Born and raised in

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**And a Cat from Carmel Market**

Alyssa Satin Capucilli, Rotem Teplow
 9781541586710
 Pub Date: 4/1/21, On Sale Date: 4/1
 Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2
 \$7.99 USD/\$10.99 CAD
 32 pages
 Paperback Picture Book

A cute Shabbat story with a surprise ending

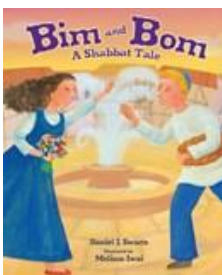
Summary: Bubbe goes to the outdoor Carmel Market in Tel-Aviv to shop for Shabbat, but in addition to buying the challah, candles, chicken, tablecloth, flowers, and other necessities, she also finds herself coming home with lots of stray cats. The cats' howling begins to disrupt the lovely Shabbat dinner she has planned, but they all calm down once Bubbe lights the Shabbat candles.

Contributor Bio:

Alyssa Satin Capucilli is the author of more than 100 books for young readers, including the best-selling **Biscuit** series (HarperCollins). Alyssa's awards include the Washington Irving Award, Garden State Award, Bank Street College Best Book Award, and the Oppenheim Portfolio Gold Award. She lives in New York.

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Bim and Bom, 2nd Edition : A Shabbat Tale
 (Revised)

Rabbi Daniel Swartz, Melissa Iwai
 9780761367178
 Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1
 Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to 1
 \$8.95 USD
 24 pages
 Paperback Picture Book

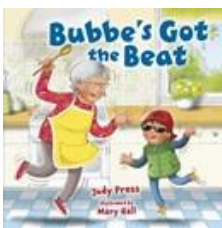
Summary: Bim, a builder, and her brother Bom, a baker, live on opposite sides of town. All week long they work hard but when Shabbat comes, they celebrate the day together. A warm story of village life inspired by the well known song "Shabbat Shalom." Song notes and lyrics included.

Contributor Bio:

Melissa Iwai received her BFA in Illustration from Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, CA. She now lives in Brooklyn and has illustrated many award-winning picture books, including Orbis Pictus Honor Book *Thirty Minutes Over Oregon*.

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Bubbe's Got the Beat

Judy Press, Mary Hall
 9781512447637
 Pub Date: 12/19/17, On Sale Date: 12/19
 Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P
 \$5.99 USD
 12 pages
 Board Book

Summary: *Walkin' with my family,
 Lookin' mighty neat,
 Gonna see my bubbe,
 She's got the beat!*

Join in the fun as a kid and his bubbe prepare for Shabbat!

Contributor Bio:

Judy Press studied fine arts at Syracuse University and earned a masters in art education from the University of Pittsburgh. She is the creator of a dozen award-winning children's art activity books and early reader chapter books. A grandmother to ten, Press lives in Pittsburgh. Mary Hall has been illustrating for over 20 years. Prior to becoming an illustrator, she worked as an architect. Mary lives in Bath, England.

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Buen Shabat, Shabbat Shalom

Sarah Aroeste, Ayesha L. Rubio
 9781541542464
 Pub Date: 3/3/20, On Sale Date: 3/3
 Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P
 \$6.99 USD
 12 pages
 Board Book

Summary: With a Ladino word introduced on each page, a Sephardic Jewish family prepares to celebrate Shabbat.

Contributor Bio:

Determined to help bring Ladino (Judeo-Spanish) culture to a new generation, **Sarah Aroeste**, a Ladino singer, author, and cultural activist, draws upon her Sephardic family roots to present original Ladino songs and prose. She lives in Massachusetts.

Ayesha L. Rubio was born in Madrid, Spain, in February. She loved to draw, but unfortunately for her family, any surface was an empty canvas for her. Her grandfather taught her to draw on paper, instead of furniture or walls. Nowadays...

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**Chicken Soup, Chicken Soup**

Pamela Mayer, Deborah Melmon

9781467789349

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Two grandmas. Two delicious recipes. And one granddaughter caught in the middle!

Sophie loves Bubbe's Jewish chicken soup, made with kreplach. She also loves Nai Nai's Chinese chicken soup, with wonton. But don't tell Bubbe and Nai Nai that their soups are the same! Can Sophie bring her whole family together for a warm and tasty surprise?

An inclusive look at a multicultural family, and a little girl's unique approach to combining her family's traditions. The book includes three chicken...

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**Clarence's Topsy-Turvy Shabbat**

Jennifer Tzivia MacLeod, Jennie Poh

9781541542426

Pub Date: 4/7/20, On Sale Date: 4/7

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Is Clarence confused and will he create chaos on Shabbat? His special Shabbat challah recipe calls for flour, oil, honey, yeast and water, and his neighbors eagerly await their loaves. But instead he gathers a silly assortment of things. How will he bake his challah?

Contributor Bio:

Jennifer Tzivia MacLeod lives in northern Israel with her family. Her previous book, *Yossi and the Monkeys*, has become a Shavuot favorite.

Jennie Poh was born in England and grew up in Malaysia. She studied Fine Art at The Surrey Institute of Art & Design as well as Fashion Illustration at Central St. Martins. She lives in Surrey, England.

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9781541542433

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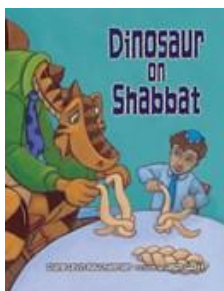
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**Dinosaur on Shabbat**

Diane Levin Rauchwerger, Jason Wolff

9781580131636

Pub Date: 8/1/06, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades P to 1

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: An eager and excited dinosaur causes chaos when he arrives to help a boy and his family celebrate Shabbat.

Contributor Bio:

Diane Levin Rauchwerger (The Dinosaur on Hanukkah) is a children's librarian as well as a synagogue librarian, where she runs a Jewish Mother Goose program using many of her own original songs and rhymes. She enjoys reading, hiking, quilting, photography, singing, and knitting. She and her husband have two grown children and live in Sunnyvale, CA.

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**Hannah's Way**

Linda Glaser, Adam Gustavson

9780761351382

Pub Date: 1/1/12, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: After Papa loses his job during the Depression, Hannah's family moves to rural Minnesota, where she is the only Jewish child in her class. When her teacher tries to arrange carpools for a Saturday class picnic, Hannah is upset. Her Jewish family is observant, and she knows she cannot ride on the Sabbath. What will she do? A lovely story of friendship and community.

Contributor Bio:

Adam Gustavson majored in illustration at Rowan University and received his Master's at the School of Visual Arts in New York City. He has taught art classes at Passaic County Community College and Seton Hall University. He lives in West Orange, New Jersey, with his wife and two sons.

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**Havdalah Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781541521636

Pub Date: 3/3/20, On Sale Date: 3/3

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: The ninth in the popular Jewish holiday board book series by Newman and Garofoli, a family and their puppy celebrate Havdalah, the weekly ritual celebrating the end of Shabbat and welcoming the new week.

Contributor Bio:

Tracy Newman has written numerous books for children, including *Itzhak: A Boy who Loved the Violin*, which won a Schneider Family Honor. Her writing inspiration comes from her adventures raising her children. She lives in Connecticut.

Viviana Garofoli was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she lives with her husband and two daughters. She has illustrated more than 70 children's books.

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**It's Challah Time! : 20th Anniversary Edition**

(Revised)

Latifa Berry Kropf, Moshe Shai

9781541574601

Pub Date: 8/1/20, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Trade Paperback

Summary: In this 20th anniversary edition of Kar-Ben's best-seller with all new photos, a diverse preschool class works together to make challah for Shabbat in this photo-driven book. They combine yeast, water, flour and salt into dough that is braided into perfect challah loaves. The children enjoy tasting their creation, and learn that making challah is a special ritual of Shabbat, the Jewish Sabbath.

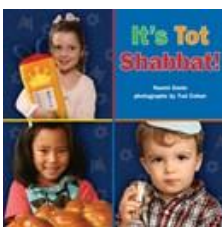
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**It's Tot Shabbat!**

Naomi Danis, Tod Cohen

9780761345152

Pub Date: 1/1/11, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$14.95 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Join a class of preschoolers as they learn about celebrating Shabbat. Engaging photos of children show them taking plush Torahs out of the pretend ark and reading a Bible story. They learn to say the blessings over challah and pretend wine before happily joining their parents in the sanctuary.

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**Jodie's Shabbat Surprise**

Anna Levine, Ksenia Topaz

9781467734653

Pub Date: 1/1/15, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 5 to 9, Grades K to 3

\$17.95 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Series: Shabbat

Summary: Stumbling onto an ancient wine press while walking her dog, amateur archeologist Jodie gets the best idea ever for a birthday surprise for her dad!

Contributor Bio:

Anna Levine is the author of several picture books and two young adult novels, all of which take place in Israel. She lives in Mevasseret Zion, just outside of Jerusalem.

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**Koala Challah**

Laura Gehl, Maria Mola

9781512420876

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1

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24 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Young, awkward, messy Lila the koala wants to help her family get ready for Shabbat dinner. Her plan is to bake her own loaf of challah—but each time she tries, the challah comes out wrong. What's the secret to making the best koala challah ever?

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**Sammy Spider's First Book of Prayers**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9781541534681

Pub Date: 11/1/20, On Sale Date: 11/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover Picture Book

Other Formats

9781541534766 \$7.99 11/1/2020

Summary: A first Jewish prayer book introduces children to daily and Shabbat prayers, plus special prayers.

Sammy Spider watches Josh Shapiro and his family as they recite standard prayers for a variety of occasions. Engaging, rhyming text explains when and why Josh prays. This giftable book includes the prayers: Modeh Ani, Prayer, Hamotzi, Birkat Hamazon, Sh'ma, Hashkiveinu, Shabbat Blessings, Ye'veare'checha, Havdalah, Shehechyanu, Mi Sheberach, Tefilat Haderech, A Prayer for our Country, A P...

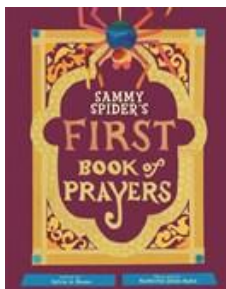
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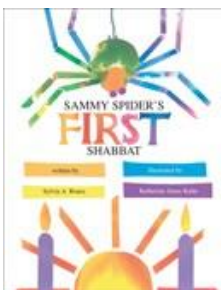
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**Sammy Spider's First Shabbat**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781580130066

Pub Date: 8/1/97, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Sammy Spider yearns to celebrate Shabbat. He watches Josh set the festive table, and is especially fascinated when Mrs. Shapiro braids the challah. As the family gathers to welcome Shabbat, Sammy discovers that something unexpected has happened.

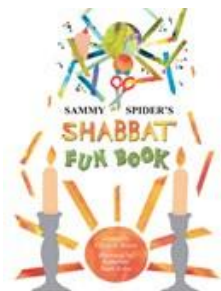
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**Sammy Spider's Shabbat Fun Book**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781580131476

Pub Date: 1/1/06, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 7 to 8, Grades P to 3

\$4.95 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Kids can join Sammy Spider as he celebrates Shabbat with this book of rhymes, mazes, puzzles and more.

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**Shabbat Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli
9781467713672

Pub Date: 1/1/14, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: *Friday's here. Jump and cheer. Shabbat is coming!*

A family and their pet puppy eagerly prepare for Shabbat.

Introduce young children to Jewish life with Very First Board Books.

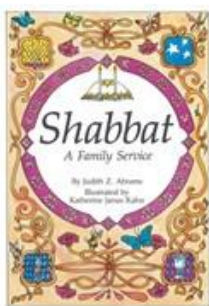
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Viviana Garofoli was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she lives with her husband and two daughters. She has illustrated more than 70 children's books.

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**Shabbat: A Family Service : A Family Service**

Judy Abrams, Katherine Janus Kahn

9780929371290

Pub Date: 8/1/91, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 5 to 11, Grades K to 5

\$6.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Simple poetry brings to life the structure and the central concepts of the Shabbat service.

Contributor Bio:

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel School in Jerusalem and at the University of Iowa. She has illustrated many children's books including Kar-Ben's popular **Sammy Spider** series. She lives in Wheaton, Maryland.

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**Shai's Shabbat Walk**

Ellie B. Gellman, Holli Conger

9781467749497

Pub Date: 8/1/14, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.95 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: A sweet board book in which a little boy celebrates Shabbat by going for a walk, appreciating the blessings of those he meets on the way—family, friends and animals.

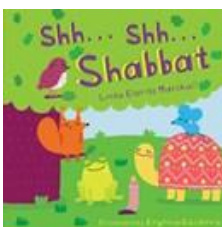
Contributor Bio:

Ellie B. Gellman grew up in Minneapolis, where she first began telling stories to the children in her synagogue. Her previous books include *Netta and her Plant*, *Shai's Shabbat Walk*, and *Jeremy's Dreidel*.

Holli Conger has provided illustrations for everything from greeting cards to children's books. She approaches each project with whimsy and creativity guaranteed to put a smile on any face. Holli lives in Nashville, Tennessee.

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**Shh . . . Shh . . . Shabbat**

Linda Elovitz Marshall, Evgenia Golubeva

9781467758734

Pub Date: 1/1/16, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Shabbat

Summary: It's a noisy world! Every day of the week, the animals of Jerusalem hear many sounds as the humans around them go about their lives. But on Shabbat, everything is peaceful and quiet. Shh...it's Shabbat.

Contributor Bio:

Linda Elovitz Marshall raised her four children, a small flock of sheep, lots of zucchinis and countless rabbits in a historic farmhouse overlooking the Hudson River in upstate New York. A graduate of Barnard College of Columbia University, she is a cultural anthropologist who has written almost two dozen books for kids. In addition to writing and farming, Linda taught early childhood and parenting education, and owned a bookstore.

Evgenia Golubeva grew up in rainy and grey St....

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**The Cholent Brigade**

Michael Herman, Sharon Harmer

9781512408454

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

24 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: When a big snowstorm hits, Monty Nudelman happily shovels his neighbors' sidewalks, driveways, cars, and steps—until he hurts his back. Now he can barely move! He can't even make his Shabbat lunch. Luckily, his neighbors have all made cholent—a delicious Shabbat stew. The neighborhood kids form a "cholent brigade" to bring Monty Nudelman a tasty feast. Cholent to the rescue!

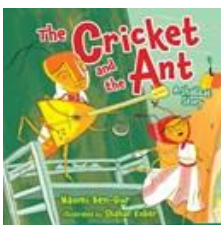
Contributor Bio:

Michael Herman has a passion for Jewish history and tradition and enjoys collecting antique Judaica. Every Friday evening he lights a 19th-century hanging Sabbath lamp of his own. Michael lives in Chicago, Illinois.

Sharon Harmer lives and works on the south coast of England, and has illustrated many children's books. She enjoys creating characters, and her illustrations are a mixture of traditional and digital art, incorporating hand drawn line and painted textures.

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**The Cricket and the Ant : A Shabbat Story**

Naomi Ben-Gur, Shahar Kober

9781467789356

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

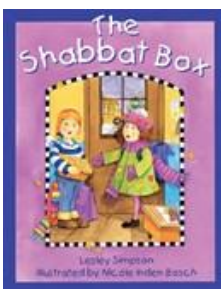
Hardcover

Summary: The fun-loving Cricket neglects his Shabbat tasks while the industrious Ant does hers, but Cricket surprises her by coming to the rescue just in time to save her Shabbat celebration. Originally published in Hebrew.

Contributor Bio: Naomi Ben-Gur is a writer, translator, editor and a professor of children's literature. Born in Tel Aviv, Israel, she served as a military correspondent in the IDF. At the age of 19, while serving in the Israeli army, she published her first book of poems. Naomi earned a B.A. in Literature from Tel Aviv University, a Master's degree in Cinema Studies from New York University and a Ph.D in Comparative Literature from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She has written over 40 chi...

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**The Shabbat Box**

Lesley Simpson, Nicole in den Bosch

9781580130271

Pub Date: 8/1/01, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 7, Grades P to 1

\$6.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: It's finally Ira's turn to take home the Shabbat Box from school. But a bad storm blows open his book bag and the box is lost. What will Ira do? A warm introduction to Shabbat for preschoolers.

Contributor Bio:

Lesley Simpson is a Canadian journalist and picture book writer. Her previous books include The Shabbat Box and The Purim Surprise. Lesley has taught journalism and creative writing at Canadian universities. She lives in Toronto, Canada.

Nicole in den Bosch lives and works with her family in a Civil War-era general store and schoolhouse on the eastern shore of Maryland. She has illustrated numerous books, greeting cards, and magazines.

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**The Shabbat Princess**

Amy Meltzer, Martha Avilés

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Pub Date: 8/1/11, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

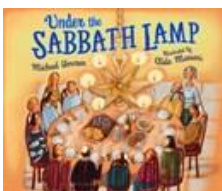
Summary: Rosie likes queens, but she really loves princesses! One Shabbat eve, she persuades her parents to invite the Shabbat Princess to their home. As the family prepares for their royal visitor, they are reminded that adding beauty to a mitzvah only increases its worth.

Contributor Bio:

Martha Avilés was born and raised in Mexico City. She has illustrated many children's books including *Say Hello, Lily*; *The Shabbat Princess*; and *Stones for Grandpa*.

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**Under the Sabbath Lamp**

Michael Herman, Alida Massari

9781512408416

Pub Date: 1/1/17, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: When Izzy and Olivia Bloom invite their neighbors over for Shabbat dinner, everyone is shocked to find out that the Blooms don't have Shabbat candles. Instead, they have something much more unusual: an antique Sabbath lamp that's been passed down from generation to generation. How did the Sabbath lamp get to America? That's a good story . . .

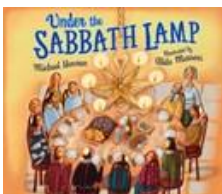
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32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

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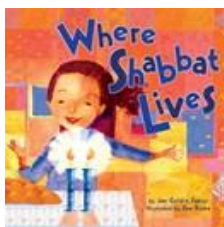
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**Where Shabbat Lives**

Jan Goldin Fabiyi, Sue Rama

9780822589464

Pub Date: 8/1/08, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to P

\$5.95 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: The simple text and brightly colored illustrations in this board book tell the story of a typical family celebrating Shabbat.

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**Hillel Builds a House**

Shoshana Lepon, Ángeles Ruiz

9781541544024

Pub Date: 8/1/20, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Other Formats

9781541544031 \$7.99 8/1/2020

Summary: All year, Hillel builds treehouses and forts. His structures—in the backyard, under the stairs and even in the living room—can get in the way when the family is busy with holiday preparations. As the Jewish holidays come and go throughout the year, Hillel can't seem to find the right one for his building projects. That is, until fall comes, and with it the holiday of Sukkot, the Jewish harvest holiday, which is all about building a temporary structure, called a sukkah. Hillel puts all h...

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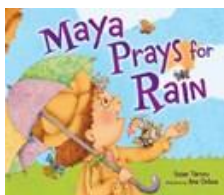
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**Maya Prays for Rain**

Susan Tarcov, Ana Ochoa

9781467794114

Pub Date: 8/1/16, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: It's a sunny fall day in Maya's neighborhood, and all her neighbors are busy with outdoor activities, from releasing some young butterflies to organizing a birthday scavenger hunt. But Maya learns that today is Shemini Atzeret, when the Jewish community prays for rain. Rain will ruin her neighbors' day! Maya rushes to warn them. Luckily, as her rabbi explains to her, it turns out that she doesn't need to worry.

Contributor Bio:

Susan Tarcov grew up next to the Bronx Zoo, a great inspiration for writing children's books. She is married, has three children, and lives in Chicago. Her previous books include *Maya Prays for Rain*, *Raisins and Almonds: A Yiddish Lullaby*, and *The Rabbia and His Donkey*.

Ana Ochoa studied Graphic Design in Mexico and illustration in France. Her work has been exhibited in Tokyo, Bologna, Taiwan. New Delhi. Colombia. Bratislava. Rio de Janeiro. and

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**Sammy Spider's First Simchat Torah**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9780761339663

Pub Date: 8/1/10, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Sammy Spider crawls down his web to inspect the candy apple Josh has attached to his Simchat Torah flag. When Josh leaves for synagogue, he doesn't notice the spider stuck to his apple! Atop Josh's flag, Sammy joins the Simchat Torah parade, dances with the Torah, and learns about this very special holiday in the Jewish year. Young readers will learn how Simchat Torah is celebrated, as Jews finish reading their "favorite book" the Torah, and start all over again, just as Josh loves to d...

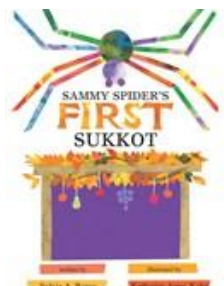
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**Sammy Spider's First Sukkot**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn

9781580130837

Pub Date: 8/1/04, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Inside, outside, upside down! Where is Sammy Spider now? Swinging on an apple, from the roof of the Shapiro family sukkah, he is learning about the Jewish harvest festival of Sukkot. Sammy watches as Josh and his parents build and decorate the little hut. Then as a special treat, Sammy even gets to sleep there under the stars!

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**Simchat Torah Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781512421002

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: The eighth in the popular Jewish holiday board book series, a family and their adorable dog celebrate Simchat Torah! Simchat Torah celebrates the ending of one cycle of Torah reading and the beginning of another, and is accompanied by singing, dancing, and parading around the synagogue with the Torah. Join this family and their dog as they celebrate this joyful fall holiday.

Contributor Bio:

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**Sukkot Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781512408287

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: Kids will learn about the Jewish fall harvest holiday of Sukkot from building the sukkah, to the tradition of shaking the *lulav* and *etrog*. Don't know what those things are? Read the book!

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**The Best Sukkot Pumpkin Ever**

Laya Steinberg, Colleen Madden

9781512408652

Pub Date: 8/1/17, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.99 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: It's almost Sukkot, and Micah and his family are heading to Farmer Jared's pumpkin patch. Micah wants to find the very best pumpkin to decorate his family's sukkah, but Farmer Jared says his pumpkins can also go to a soup kitchen, to feed people who need a good meal. What will Micah decide to do with the best Sukkot pumpkin ever?

Contributor Bio:

Laya Steinberg, author of two other award-winning picture books, teaches art and design to high school students, tends a community garden, and works in her basement pottery studio. She lives near Boston, Massachusetts, with family. **Colleen Madden** has illustrated many children's books. When she's not drawing and daydreaming, she's out chasing chipmunks on a trail, learning how to make socks, and eating lots and lots of sushi. She lives near Philadelphia.

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**The Elephant in the Sukkah**

Sherri Mandell, Ivana Kuman

9781541522121

Pub Date: 8/1/19, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Henry, once a happy circus elephant, feels lonely and sad at the farm for old elephants, where nobody wants to hear him sing. One evening, he follows the sound of music and singing to the Brenner family's sukkah. At last, a place where he might sing. But Henry cannot fit inside the sukkah! Ori knows it's a mitzvah to invite guests, and he gets a big idea about how to include Henry in the Sukkot fun.

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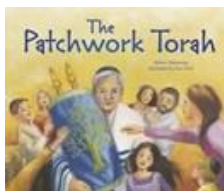
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**The Patchwork Torah**

Allison Ofanansky, Elsa Oriol

9781467704267

Pub Date: 1/1/14, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 4 to 11, Grades P to 5

\$9.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: As a child, David watches his grandfather, a Torah scribe or sofer, finish a Torah scroll for the synagogue. "A Torah is not something to be thrown away," his Grandfather explains. David's grandfather carefully stores the old Torah his new one has replaced in his cabinet, hoping to one day repair the letters so the Torah can be used again.

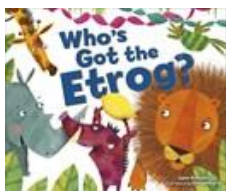
David grows up and becomes a sofer just like his grandfather. Through the years, people bring him damaged Torahs they have saved from danger and di...

Contributor Bio:

Allison Ofanansky, born in the U.S., moved to Israel and became an Israeli citizen in 1996. She lives in the village of Kaditah near the mystical city of Safed, with her husband Shmuel and daughter Aravah. They enjoy hiking the hills of the Galilee, gathering and eating the fruits that grow there. They are involved in environmental and eco-peace projects.

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**Who's Got the Etrog?**

Jane Kohuth, Elissambura

9781541509665

Pub Date: 8/1/18, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 4 to 8, Grades P to 2

\$17.99 USD

32 pages

Hardcover

Summary: Auntie Sanyu builds a sukkah in her Ugandan garden. Curious wildlife—the Warthog, the Lion, the Giraffe, the Elephant, and other animals—come to celebrate the Sukkot holiday. They all want to shake the lulav and smell the etrog, but will selfish Warthog learn to share?

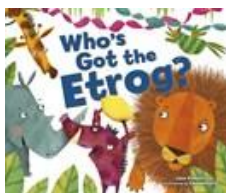
Contributor Bio:

When **Jane Kohuth** was growing up in Brooklyn, she looked forward to decorating her back porch as a sukkah every year and to unwrapping the etrog from its nest of soft flax. She has a master's degree in Theological Studies from Harvard Divinity School. Her previous books include *Estie the Mensch* and *Anne Frank's Chestnut Tree*. Jane lives in Holliston, Massachusetts.

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**Happy Birthday, Trees!**

Karen Rostoker-Gruber, Holly Sterling

9781541545649

Pub Date: 10/1/20, On Sale Date: 10/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: It's Tu B'Shevat—Jewish Arbor Day—and a diverse group of children work together to plant a tree. After digging a hole, placing the tree, filling the hole with dirt, patting the ground, and spraying the garden hose, the children celebrate by wishing the tree a happy birthday, and then look forward to when it blossoms on Tu B'Shevat the following year.

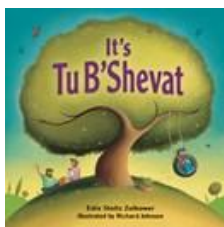
Contributor Bio:

Karen Rostoker-Gruber has written several picture books, including *Farmer Kobi's Hanukkah Match*, a National Jewish Book Award Finalist. Karen lives in Branchburg, New Jersey.

Holly Sterling is a freelance children's author and illustrator. She loves to work by hand using a variety of different media including watercolor, pencil and different printing processes. She lives in England.

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**It's Tu B'Shevat!**

Edie Stoltz Zolkower, Richard Johnson
 9781580131278
 Pub Date: 8/1/05, On Sale Date: 8/1
 Ages 6 to 7, Grades P to P
 \$5.95 USD
 12 pages
 Board Book

Summary: Rhyming verse and brightly colored illustrations tell the story of a boy and his family planting a tree for Tu B'Shevat and watching it grow. This board book is just right for little hands.

Contributor Bio:

Edie Stoltz Zolkower grew up in Newington, Connecticut. Most of her childhood was spent playing the flute and reading. Edie graduated from the University of Florida (Go Gators!) with a degree in psychology. She and her husband met in college, and they recently took a trip to Alaska to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. They have one college-aged son. Edie's hobbies include reading, cooking, long walks, and watching women's college basketball. Her favorite team is the UCON...

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**Sadie's Snowy Tu B'Shevat**

Jamie Korngold, Julie Fortenberry
 9781512426779
 Pub Date: 12/19/17, On Sale Date: 12/19
 Ages 2 to 7, Grades P to 1
 \$17.99 USD
 32 pages
 Hardcover

Summary: Sadie wants to plant a tree for Tu B'Shevat. But it's the middle of winter! Her parents and grandfather assure her that a tree can't take root in the frozen ground. But with help from brother Ori and Grandma, Sadie learns why the tree-planting holiday is celebrated in winter and finds her own special ways to celebrate it.

Contributor Bio:

Rabbi Jamie S. Korngold received ordination from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and is the founder and spiritual leader of the Adventure Rabbi Program. She lives in Boulder, Colorado with her two daughters, Sadie and Ori.

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**Sammy Spider's First Tu B'Shevat**

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781580130653

Pub Date: 8/1/01, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 3 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$7.95 USD

32 pages

Paperback Picture Book

Summary: Celebrate Tu B'Shevat with everyone's favorite spider!

Spring is in the air and Sammy Spider watches as Josh Shapiro lowers the roots of a small tree into the ground. As spring turns to summer and summer to fall, Sammy watches Josh nurture the small tree as it sprouts tiny buds, then full blossoms, then colorful autumn leaves. Birds and squirrels come to visit the tree, and as autumn turns to winter, the leaves drop and the birds leave. Sammy worries as the tree shivers in the cold winter...

Contributor Bio:

Sylvia A. Rouss is an award-winning author and early childhood educator, and the creator of the popular **Sammy Spider** series, celebrating its 25th anniversary with over half a million Sammy Spider books sold. She lives in California.

Katherine Janus Kahn studied Fine Arts at the Bezalel

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**The Abba Tree**

Devora Busheri, Gal Shkedi

9781541534667

Pub Date: 12/1/20, On Sale Date: 12/1

Ages 4 to 9, Grades P to 3

\$17.99 USD

24 pages

Hardcover

Other Formats

9781541534759 \$7.99 12/1/2020

Summary: Hannah and Abba—Hebrew for "Dad"—are spending time together in nature on Tu B'Shevat, the Jewish Arbor Day. As Abba rests under a carob tree, Hannah declares that she wants to climb a tree. The carob tree's trunk is too skinny, but can she climb a eucalyptus tree or a pine tree or an olive tree? When each poses a challenge—for being too scratchy, for not having footholds—Abba offers new inspiration for climbing and insight into what Hannah and the carob tree share in common.

Contributor Bio:

Devora Busheri is a children's book writer, editor, and translator. She has authored and edited many books for various publication houses in Israel. Her previous include *The Abba Tree* and *In the Jerusalem Forest*. Devora lives in Jerusalem with her husband and their four children.

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**Tu B'Shevat Is Coming!**

Tracy Newman, Viviana Garofoli

9781512426762

Pub Date: 12/19/17, On Sale Date: 12/19

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Summary: A family and their adorable dog celebrate the kid-friendly holiday of Tu B'Shevat, the birthday of trees!

Contributor Bio:

Tracy Newman has written numerous books for children, including *Itzhak: A Boy who Loved the Violin*, which won a Schneider Family Honor. Her writing inspiration comes from her adventures raising her children. She lives in Connecticut.

Viviana Garofoli was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she lives with her husband and two daughters. She has illustrated more than 70 children's books.

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**Does Your Dog Speak Hebrew? : A Book of Animal Sounds**

Ellen Bari, Holly Clifton-Brown

9781541560895

Pub Date: 9/1/20, On Sale Date: 9/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$7.99 USD

14 pages

Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

Board book teaches Hebrew animal sounds in a fun accessible way

Summary: A dog says "bow, wow" in English and "hav, hav" in Hebrew. Whimsical animals in American and Israeli settings compare their varied noises and sounds. Readers can explore which sounds are the same and which are different in droll depictions of animals in Israel and the United States.

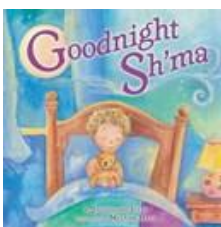
Basic Hebrew vocabulary, including animal names and sounds, are introduced. Iconic locations like Capitol Hill and Central Park in the United States, and the Dome of the Rock and the Sea of Galilee in Israel...

Contributor Bio:

Ellen Bari has created award-winning museum exhibits and

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**Goodnight Sh'ma**

Jacqueline Jules, Melanie Hall

9780822589457

Pub Date: 8/1/08, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

Summary: *I say the Sh'ma and I feel God's light / Shining on me all through the night.*

A Jewish child gets ready for bed and says the traditional "Sh'ma" prayer in this beautiful board book with rhyming text and charming illustrations by award-winning Melanie Hall.

Introduce young children to Jewish life, Jewish holidays, and Shabbat with Very First Board Books.

Contributor Bio:

Jacqueline Jules is an award-winning author and poet. Her many children's books include *The Hardest Word* (National Jewish Book Award finalist), *What a Way to Start the New Year! A Rosh Hashanah Story*, and *Moses and the Runaway Lamb*. She lives in Long Island, New York.

Melanie Hall grew up in Manchester-By-the-Sea, Massachusetts. She attended the Rhode Island School of

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Sammy Spider's First Book of Jewish Holidays

Sylvia A. Rouss, Katherine Janus Kahn
9781467719162

Pub Date: 8/1/13, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

Summary: Curious about the Jewish holidays? Very young readers learn about holiday customs with everyone's favorite inquisitive spider!

Covering Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Hanukkah, Tu B'Shevat, Purim, Passover, Yom Ha'Atzma'ut, and Shavuot, this colorful board book highlights a key feature of each holiday.

On Yom Kippur we say we're sorry.

On Hanukkah we light the candles.

We eat special foods at the Passover seder.

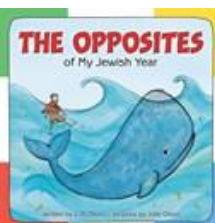
In celebration of Sammy Spider's 20th anniversary, K...

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The Opposites of My Jewish Year

L.N. Dion, Julie Olson

9781580131131

Pub Date: 8/1/05, On Sale Date: 8/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$5.95 USD

12 pages

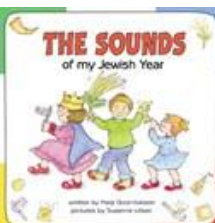
Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

Summary: This new addition to our popular board book series including "Sounds of My Jewish Year," "Shapes of My Jewish Year," and "Colors of My Jewish Year" uses the Jewish holidays to teach the concept of opposites. Words such as big/little, near/far and long/short are explained using scenes from different holidays to demonstrate each opposite.

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The Sounds of My Jewish Year

Marji Gold-Vukson, Suzanne Urban

9781580130479

Pub Date: 1/1/03, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$4.95 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

Summary: Preschoolers can explore the Jewish holidays with familiar sounds--the "sizzle, sizzle" of potato latkes on Hanukkah, the "crunch, crunch" of matzah on Passover, and more.



You're the Cheese in My Blintz

Leslie Kimmelman, Ramona Kaulitzki
9781541534674

Pub Date: 1/1/20, On Sale Date: 1/1

Ages 1 to 4, Grades P to P

\$6.99 USD

12 pages

Board Book

Series: Very First Board Books

A charming Jewish-infused parent/kid version of "How do I love thee, let me count the ways"

Summary: In my blintz, you're the cheese.

You're the sun in my sky.

To my heart, you're the keys.

You're the twinkle in my eye.

This rhyming board book celebrates the importance of a young child as a member of a family.

Contributor Bio:

Leslie Kimmelman is an award-winning author of dozens of books for children, both fiction and nonfiction. She lives in Ardsley, New York.

Ramona Kaulitzki's biggest passion has always been