

Section:	Lower: Being secular, humanistic and Jewish			Middle: History of the Jews			
Grade:	preK/K	1	2	3	4	5	6
Age:	4 - 6	6 - 7	7 - 8	8 - 9	9 - 10	10 - 11	11 - 12
Theme:	Practicing Our Customs	Living Our Values	Marking Our Time	Jewish Origins	Ancient History	Middle Ages to Democratic Revolts	Modern Times
Topics:	Holidays	<u>Role Models</u>	Calendars	<u>Current Hypotheses</u>	<u>Biblical Period</u>	Dispersion	<u>American Jewish History</u>
	Celebrations	Heroes/Heroines		Origins of Universe	Judges, etc	Golden Age in Spain	Role of Jews in major
	Observances	Family	Origins of	Origins of Humans	Kings	Economic Status	events from prerevolution
		Secular, Humanistic	Seasonal Holidays	Origins of Hebrews	Monarchy Problems	Written Tradition	to the present
		and Jewish	Cross-Culture Survey		Prophets	Haskalah	Deism & antiReligious bias
				<u>Mythical History</u>	Babylonian Captivity	Shtetl Life	of many founding fathers
			<u>Life History</u>	Creation Stories		Start of Modern Times	<u>American Immigration</u>
			Birth	Cain and Abel	<u>Bible</u>		Sephardic
			B'nai Mitzvah	Noah, Flood stories	Origins		Ashkenazic
			Marriage	Patriarchs / Matriarchs	Compilation		East European
			Growth / Aging	Joseph	Critical Analysis		Modern Russia
			Death	Egypt: Slavery, Exodus			
	Preferred Source for Stories			Wilderness to Joshua	<u>PostBiblical History</u>	Introduction	<u>Secular Roles</u>
	Modern	Post-biblical	Biblical and Earlier		Jews and Greeks	to Folkshul	Zionism
	Spiral Holiday Superstructure for all Lower Grades			Myths vs Science	Jews and Romans	B'nai Mitzvah	Labor Movement
	<u>Commemorative</u>	<u>Seasonal</u>	<u>Other</u>		Maccabean Times	by Coordinator	<u>Modern Israeli History</u>
	Rosh Hashanah	Tu B'shvat	Shabbat		Origin of Talmuds		Refuge
	Yom Kippur	Passover					Pioneers
Chanukah	Shavuot	Secular Jewish Life				Ingathering	
Purim	Sukkot					Statehood	
Holocaust		Folk tales and myths				1948 to Present	
Yom HaAtzmaut		Biographies				Russian exodus	
Section:	Upper: The Jewish Adult			Generic Topics Appropriate for all Grades			
Grade:	7	8	9				
Age:	12 - 13	13 - 14	14 - 15	Values and Beliefs			
Theme:	Jews Today		Personal Relevance	Jewish Identity		Some Traditional Jewish Values	
		<u>Oppress/Resist</u>		Songs and Dance		Cheerfulness	Respecting the elderly
Topics:	Who is	<u>1st Half:</u>	Suggested Topics	Joy		Clothing the naked	Return of lost articles
	a Jew?	Continuation of		Kinship with other secular Jews		Comforting Mourners	Righteous deeds
		Jews Today	<u>Ethical Topics</u>	Kinship with nonSecular Jews		Courtesy and respect	Righteousness; Justice
	Who are		Civil rights	Jews in science, arts,		Do not covet	Saving a life
	my people?	2nd Half:	Political Rights	humanities, etc		Feed the hungry	Seeking Peace
		Repression	Environmentalism	Jews in labor movement		Guard your tongue	Study
	Where are	Resistance	Abortion	Jews in law and social justice		Kindness to animals	Truth
	we going?	Prejudice	Sex	Humanism		Peace in the home	Visiting the sick
		Bigotry		Social Action Projects		Repairing the world	Welcoming Guests
				Progressive Activity		Do not destroy needlessly	
	Network	Holocaust	<u>Modern Israel</u>	Social Justice		Bringing peace between people	
	and currents			Individual Responsibility		Love your neighbor as yourself	
	of Jewish	Power to	<u>Jewish Identity</u>	Kinship with non-Jewish humanists		Secularism	Other Values
	Varieties	effect change	Film, Literature, etc	Kinship with All of humanity(universalism)		Critical Thinking	Kindness
			Other media	Resisting Oppression		Natural explanations	Fairness
		<u>Jewish Resistance</u>	Role of community	Acceptance and Diversity		Secular Spirituality	Respect
		Warsaw Ghetto		Speaking Truth to Power			Dignity
		Bielski Partisans		Traditional Languages			Self-respect
	Maccabees		Hebrew	Yiddish		Motivation	
			Simple songs / stories	Simple songs / stories		Environment-Tikkun Olam	
	Choose 9th		Israeli dances	Applicable Words		Hypocrisy (not Jewish)	
	Grade Topics		Applicable Words	Ladino		Tsedakah(duty vs charity)	