

JUST FOR KIDS - NOVEMBER 2021

NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS

In addition to Hannukah, which begins in November this year, there are several other holidays that occur in November. Watch these quick videos to learn about a few of them.

NOVEMBER 5 – ELECTION DAY (8-10-video)

The first Tuesday in November is always Election Day. Watch this short video to learn why November was chosen to be the month for this special day and why Tuesday was chosen to be the day.

<https://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/78379e56-fab2-49f9-b068-22fe78a658bf/election-day/>

NOVEMBER 11 – VETERANS DAY (8-10-video)

On this day Americans honor military veterans across the country. This one-minute video will tell you why this date was chosen and what the holiday was originally called.

<https://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/e585b233-e750-45a4-b782-fb0a9e3136a4/veterans-day/>

NOVEMBER 25 – THANKSGIVING (8-10-video)

Learn some interesting facts for kids. What do frozen TV dinners have to do with Thanksgiving? Do you know what balloon character has been on more Macys Thanksgiving parades than any other? Watch the video to find out.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xfH4eOjzsiw>

NOVEMBER 28 – HANNUKAH

Hannukah begins on the evening of November 28 this year and continues into December. Be sure to come back to JUST FOR KIDS in December for more Hannukah activities.

HANNUKAH STORIES

ANTLERS WITH CANDLES by Chris Barash (ages 4-6) *Fiction Read Aloud*

With sweet rhymes and colorful illustrations, this book follows a toddler as she discovers a menorah, dreidel, latkes, and other signs of Hannukah. Then her dad tells her about the family celebration they will have. Does this sound like how you celebrate Hannukah?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hHCneLiNu7A>

THE TREES OF THE DANCING GOATS by Patricia Polacco (ages 7-10) *Fiction Read Aloud*

This is a wonderful story about interfaith friendship and being a good neighbor. Trisha's family celebrates the festival of lights while their neighbors celebrate Christmas. But when many of their neighbors get sick with scarlet fever, Trish and her family find a way to cheer them up. The title contains a clue!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SCIubwvlbGo>

HANNUKAH ACTIVITIES

HOW TO PLAY DREIDEL (ages 7+)

Here's an easy to read instruction sheet that tells you all you need to know to play Dreidel. Print it out and let the fun begin!

<http://pjlibrary.org/PJLibrary/media/PJ-Library/blog/2020/How-to-Play-Dreidel-printable.pdf>

HANNUKAH MAD LIBS ((ages 8+)

Here are two story frames for you to print out. Take turns thinking of words that match the requested part of speech and fill in the blanks. Then read your completed story and get ready to laugh at the silly results!

My Hanukkah Traditions: <http://pjlibrary.org/getmedia/10a82698-56af-4c4c-876f-4603781ec9ed/Madlibs-Printable-Hanukkah-Traditions-11-19>

Isaac and Chef's Hanukkah Party: <http://pjlibrary.org/getmedia/61e902fc-0a0f-4923-861c-26d7857ce21a/MadLib-Printable-Issac-and-Chef-11-19>

HOW TO LIGHT THE MENORAH

In which direction do you place the candles? In which direction do you light them? What prayers are said? Print out this sheet for everything you need to know about lighting the menorah.

<https://pjlibrary.org/getmedia/daa6c77e-6e14-400f-8188-8fd35bbe716d/Lighting-the-Menorah-printable>

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

HANNUKAH SONGS

HOW DO YOU SPELL "CHANNUKKAHH"? (ages 6 and up: **video**)

Is it with an "H"? Or with a "CH"? Do you use one "N" or two? How many "Ks"? You're not the only one who is confused! Watch this funny video by the LeeVeets to see.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7JiDBi_v4c

THE LATKA RECIPE (ages 8 and up: **video**)

How can a latke recipe be so much fun? It's easy if you're watching the Maccabeats! Snap your fingers, tap your feet and sing along with them as they make latkes and celebrate Hannukah.

<https://youtu.be/fg51la8Yayc>

NOVEMBER KIDS MOVE WITH MR. STOODY (ages 5 to 7 - **interactive video**)

Slide, gallop, skip, jump, march and move to the music with Mr. Stody. You'll have fun and get a physically fit at the same time!

https://www.schooltube.com/media/November+Kids+Move/1_2p8h8mpu

CELEBRATION: PLAYING FOR CHANGE | SONG AROUND THE WORLD

(ages 6 and up: **video**)

November 20th is Universal Children's Day. Watch this joyful video that features children round the world, playing instruments, dancing and singing Kool and the Gang's song, "Celebration." Come one, come all and join in!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Lu41LulQos>

If you enjoyed CELEBRATION, you will enjoy these:

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD (LOUIS ARMSTRONG) | PLAYING FOR CHANGE

(ages 6 and up: **video**)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ddLd0QRf7Vg>

and

DON'T WORRY BE HAPPY (BOBBY MCFERRIN) | PLAYING FOR CHANGE

(ages 6 and up: **video**)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWXUWepSak4>