Just For Kids-SEPTEMBER 2021

STORIES

BACK TO SCHOOL

THE KISSING HAND by Audrey Penn (ages 4-7) Read Aloud

Chester Racoon is nervous about going to school for the first time, he would rather stay home where things are familiar. But his mother has a secret to share that will help him overcome his fears. What do you think it could be? Listen to the story and find out. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=02g8HCPnoE4

Too Much Glue by Jason Lifebvre (ages 5 and up) Read Aloud
Here's an artistic story about a little boy that just loves his glue! Now what could go wrong with that? Listen to find out how his friends help out.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Je39PxnjveY

Miss Nelson is the nicest teacher in the whole school. She never yells, and she gives the easiest assignments. Then one day Miss Nelson is not at school. There is a substitute, Miss Viola Swamp, who immediately lays down the law - no talking, no goofing off in class - and gives lots of homework. Where is the wonderful, unappreciated Miss Nelson? Is she ever coming back?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RX3g3qigzWU

FIRST DAY JITTERS by Julie Danneberg (ages 7 and up) Read Aloud
Have you ever been nervous about going to school on the first day? You're not alone. It happens to many of us, just like Sarah in this story. Be sure to watch for the surprise twist at the end!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUT6lgo2Sus

JEWISH FOLKLORE STORIES:

IT COULD ALWAYS BE WORSE Retold by Margot Zemach. (ages 7 and up) Read Aloud

When a poor Jewish farmer complains to his Rabbi about how hard it is to live in his one room hut with his wife, his mother, and his six children, the Rabbi comes up with an unusual solution.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mRk Vaa56P8

MUSIC

DIP THE APPLE IN THE HONEY SONG (ages 4-6)

Sing a fun song about apples and honey and try dipping apples in honey.

https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/august-2021/rosh-hashanah-2021-cheatsheet#kidsunder5

ROSH HASHANAH:

ACTIVITIES

Make Apple Print Rosh Hashanah Cards: (ages 5-8)

https://pjlibrary.org/beyond-books/pjblog/september-2019/make-apple-cards-for-rosh-hashanah

MAKE APPLE HONEY POPS: (ages 10 and up)

Looking for a really sweet treat to start your new year? Grab a few friends and make these apple pops together. The best part about these pops? There are so many ways to make them! Have fun customizing your pops and trying out different dip and topping combinations.

https://pjourway.org/Blog/Kid/2017-08/rosh-hashanah-apple-pops

Rosh Hashanah Coloring Pages: (ages 5-7)

Color in: Apple Dipped in Honey, The Machzor, The Shofar

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/354757/jewish/Coloring-Pages.htm

READ AND LEARN ABOUT ROSH HASHANAH

ABOUT ROSH HASHANAH:

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/4752/jewish/About-Rosh-Hashanah.htm

THE SHOFAR:

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/4754/jewish/The-Shofar.htm

TASHLICH

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/4753/jewish/Tashlich.htm

WATCH A VIDEO ABOUT ROSH HASHANAH (ages 6 and up)

TAP INTO ROSH HASHANA: "REBBETZIN TAP & FRIENDS"

Learn about Rosh Hashanah with Rebbetzin Tap. Why do we dip apples in honey? Why do we blow the shofar? Listen to the shofar sounds!

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/2385613/jewish/Tap-into-Rosh-Hashana.htm

YOM KIPPUR:

READ AND LEARN ABOUT YOM KIPPUR

A CHILDREN'S GUIDE TO YOM KIPPUR

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/4589/jewish/Guide.htm

WATCH A VIDEO ABOUT YOM KIPPUR (ages 6 and up)

TAP INTO YOM KIPPUR!: "REBBETZIN TAP & FRIENDS"

What's Yom Kippur all about? Why do we not eat and drink? Learn about Yom Kippur with Rebbetzin Tap!

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/2450340/jewish/Tap-into-Yom-Kippur.htm

YOM KIPPUR ACTIVITIES

MAKE A DUCT TAPE MACHZOR COVER (video) (ages 10 and up)

Make a beautiful cover out of duct tape for your machzor (High Holidays prayer book).

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/3050207/jewish/Make-a-Duct-Tape-Machzor-Cover.htm

Yom Kippur Coloring Pages (ages 5-7)

Color in: The Blowing of the Shofar, The Scale, and The Machzor https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/361493/jewish/Coloring-Pages.htm

SUKKOT:

LEARN ABOUT SUKKOT

ALL ABOUT SUKKOT WITH DINA (video) (ages 5-8)

You will learn facts and history about Sukkot in this quick video

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/989953/jewish/All-About-Sukkot.htm

TAP INTO SUKKOT (video) (ages 6 and up)

What's Sukkot all about? Why do we build a Sukkah and shake the Lulav? Learn about Sukkot with Rebbetzin Tap!

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/2385615/jewish/Tap-into-Sukkot.htm

SUKKOT ACTIVITIES

MAKE AN ETROG BOX OUT OF LEGOS (ages 7 and up)

Follow the easy directions and pictures and make an etrog box with a Star of David on top, all out of Legos.

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/3080941/jewish/Make-an-Etrog-Box-out-of-Lego.htm

MAKE A MODEL SUKKA (ages 7 and up)

Have you ever made a model sukkah? There are lots of ways to make one. You can use Lego or cardboard boxes, for example. Here you'll see how to make one using paper towel rolls.

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/3080917/jewish/Make-a-Model-Sukkah.htm

WHAT IF WE BUILT THE WORLD'S GREATEST SUKKA (video) (ages 6 and up)

What do you think the world's greatest sukka would be like? See what ideas Ezy, Eli, Dina and Rina, come up with. Then take a look at the interesting questions to think about or discuss with your friends or family (There are no right or wrong answers)

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/989576/jewish/What-If-We-Built-the-Worlds-Greatest-Sukkah.htm

Do An Experiment (ages 8 and up with a parent's help)

One of the interesting laws is that a sukkah has to be less than 20 cubits tall – that's about 30 feet. To get an idea of exactly how tall 30 feet is and how temporary or permanent it feels, TRY THIS EXPERIMENT WITH AN ADULT. Then share your thoughts about the questions at the end. https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/989950/jewish/Experiment-Measuring-20-Cubits-High.htm

SIMCHAS TORAH:

LEARN ABOUT SIMCHAS TORAH (ages 8 and up)

Following the seven joyous days of Sukkot, comes the happy holiday known as Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah. Learn about how we celebrate this holiday. https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/4802/jewish/Simchat-Torah.htm

THE TORAH SCROLL

Simchat Torah means rejoicing with our Torah. What do you know about the Torah scroll? Learn about how it is made, its decorations, and how it is treated with respect.

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/4804/jewish/The-Torah-Scroll.htm

Writing A Torah Scroll (video) (ages 8 to adult)

"A Community Writes Their Own Torah Scroll: Creating A Home for the First Sefer Torah in the State of Florida"

This is a fascinating movie about a community in Florida that wrote their own Torah Scroll. It is the first sefer Torah ever written, in its entirety, in the state of Florida. The Torah contains 304,805 letters – all written by hand.

https://www.chabad.org/kids/article_cdo/aid/2712207/jewish/Writing-a-Torah-Scroll.htm