

The Parent Connection



Guide for: *The Big Sukkah*

Child's Name

Date Completed:

Understanding the Story

1. What was so special about the sukkah that Berl, Rivke, and their six children made? Why did it make them so happy?

Words to Watch

Sukkah: temporary booth (tiny house) with branches for a roof. Similar to the ones used by Israelites while wandering in the desert after Exodus from Egypt.

Dybbuk: Mischievous spirit

Village

Jewish Concepts

1. Sukkot (Sukkos): Harvest festival lasting 7 or 8 days.
2. Haknassat Orhim: Welcoming guests

Beyond the Book

1. Recall a Jewish holiday celebration you went to at someone else's house. Remember a special dinner you had at your house. Compare these experiences with the sukkah party in the book.
2. Is it more fun to celebrate a holiday with a lot of people? Why/why not?
3. Which are your favorite Jewish holidays?

Complementary Activities

1. Figure out how to make a sukkah for your own family or make a list of what you would need to make a sukkah.
2. Make decorations to bring to your own or someone else's sukkah.
3. Make individual placemats for the next family gathering.
4. Plan a holiday celebration at your house.

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