

The Parent Connection



Guide for: ***The Keeping Quilt*** by Patricia Polacco

Child's Name

Date Completed:

Understanding the Story

1. Name two traditions that have stayed in Patricia's family.
2. Name one thing that changed from generation to generation.
3. List three different ways that the quilt has been used.

Words to Watch

babushka huppa kulich

Jewish Concepts

1. We remember our family.
2. Observance of Shabbat
3. We marry under a huppa.

Beyond the Book

1. The quilt contained pictures that reminded its creator of specific events. Can you think of things we use to help us remember special times?
2. The coin, salt, flower and bread were symbols. Are there any symbols used by your family? What do they mean?

Complementary Activities

1. Patricia talks about her great-grandmother and other relatives going back to the first family members to come to America. Make a family tree-a chart showing as many of your relatives as you can remember.
2. Collect old family pictures. How have things changed? How do you think they are the same?

✓ ***Please check those activities completed.***