



TARTAK LEARNING CENTER

RESOURCES RENEWED

מקורות מתחדשים

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QUICK TIPS!

Exploring the Story

Type out a short summary of the Passover Story. Give each child a different sentence of the story. Have the children work together to put the story in the correct order...sample available at Resource Drive.



Praising the God Within You

Match up students in pairs and, in the spirit of Hallel, encourage them to find the spirit of God in their partner



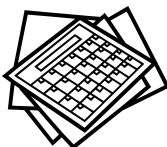
Charoset

Adopt the Firestone-Sohn family tradition of sculpting charoset in the shape of pyramids.

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Tartak Hours!



Monday 10:00-3:00
Tuesday 10:00-3:00
Wednesday 11:30-2:00
Thursday 10:00-3:00



And you are always welcome to come browse the Tartak

NEW NU?

The Tartak has ordered many new and exciting books. Stop by to see all that is new. Below is just a small sampling of our new musical selection:

My Jewish World: An Early Childhood Music Curriculum

By Judy Caplan Ginsburgh and Published by UAHC



"The songs chosen for this curriculum are those connected to the daily life of young children in a Jewish preschool classroom. *My Jewish World* contains music to all the songs that were chosen to be part of this curriculum, including melody line, lyrics, and chords. Creative ideas are included for teaching each concept to young children, as well as suggestions for related books on these topics. A CD is also included!"

New Jewish Tunes. Ruach 5761 & 5763 Songbook

Published by Transcontinental Music Publications

"The *Ruach* series is the continuation of the seven original NFTY albums that were recorded between 1972 and 1989. The NFTY and *Ruach* albums are primary sources of participatory music for cantors, songleaders, music leaders and all those who disseminate Jewish music."



The Complete Book of Jewish Rounds

Published by Transcontinental Music Publications



When you are in need of a songs that can be sung in rounds or parts, this is the book for you! The book is subdivided into different teaching units such as Chanukah, Biblical texts, ethical teachings, and liturgy. This book Includes sheet music too!

Kol Dodi: Jewish Music for Weddings

Published by Transcontinental Music Publication



"The definitive collection of authentic Jewish wedding music featuring beautiful, accessible arrangements for voices and instruments. It includes five complete wedding services in different styles (folk, Sephardic, classical), accompanied Cantorial service, and unaccompanied Cantorial service.



PASSOVER PERKS

Early Childhood

Only Nine Chairs: A Tall Tale for Passover by Deborah Uchill Miller; Published by Kar-Ben Copies

The rhyming nature of this book will appeal to the young. The book speculates on how to hold a seder for 19 when there are only 9 chairs.

Elementary

The Seder Activity Book by Judy Dick; Published by UAHC Press

This book contains a wide variety of activities to help children trace the different parts of the seder. It can be used as a classroom teaching tool or to supplement a home seder.

Young Adult-Adult

The Art of Jewish Living by Dr. Ron Wolfson; Published by Jewish Lights Publishing

This book is organized into two major parts. Part I is an outline of the complete Seder ritual by dividing the elements of the Haggadah into an innovative format. Part II offers a comprehensive guide to the preparation for Passover and for conducting the Seder experience. This resource contains many practical questions about Passover with the answers that can be easily transformed into Passover trivia, talking points, adult text study or ideas for new lesson plans.

Family Education

Remember the Going Forth From Egypt: A Curriculum Guide on the Exodus Narrative as our Master Story by Ellen Lefkowitz

This 30-week curriculum guide is based on the idea that the experience of our liberation from Egypt is the "master story" of our tradition. The sages infused the entirety of Jewish life and practice with this single event. This curriculum guide explores the way the Exodus is woven throughout daily liturgy, Shabbat, the Jewish calendar and ethical mitzvot.

Staff Selection

Dr. Michael Zeldin recommends *Matzah Ball* by Mindy Avra Portnoy

Opening day has finally arrived...but it's Passover, so the hero of the story goes off to the game with his friends carrying a bag with his matza sandwich. While his friends go off to stand in line to buy their food, he sits alone eating his matza...until an old man comes to sit next to him. After a brief conversation, a home run ball comes soaring and lands right in his matza. The matza ball! When his friends return, he notes that the man who came by to bring him such good fortune is gone. Is it possible that this man was Elijah? The perfect American Jewish Passover story (for elementary school children)!

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Future Fun x 2!!

Why Reinvent the Wheel Days

Date: April 1st Time: 11:30-1:00

Place: Student Lounge

Featuring: Materials for Passover, Lag B'Omer,
and Shavuot.

ALSO NOTE: Another Resource Drive

Date: April 8th Time: 11:30-1:00

Place: Student Lounge

Featuring: Materials for Yom Hashoah, Yom
Hazikaron, and Yom Ha'atzma'ut.



Editor's **E**xtras

The Tartak recently purchased a new and exciting video with an accompanying study guide. It is called "Jews and Christians: A Journey of Faith" and is based on the book *Our Father Abraham: Jewish Roots of the Christian Faith* by Marvin R. Wilson, PhD. The video includes different segments on a variety of topics including monotheism, Mikvah and Baptism, redefining our relationship, educating youth about the other, building interfaith understanding, and more. The accompanying study guide contains important discussion questions for each segment. This new resource will be invaluable in educating high school students and adults about the importance of understanding similarities and differences between Judaism and Christianity. It is also a fabulous tool for interfaith dialogues. You may preview the video in the Tartak Learning Center or you may check out the video and study guide for your viewing enjoyment at home.



Shavuot Sharing

Why is it that students can tell us so much about Passover but have a difficult time explaining the connection between Passover and Shavuot? As Jewish professionals, we have the opportunity to teach these holidays as part of the same whole. Judaism is based on the notion that our freedom is linked with our wandering in the desert and with our responsibility to each other and to God.

We have a few resources on Shavuot to highlight that you can find in the Tartak Learning Center.

The Shavuot Anthology by Philip Goodman

Published by The Jewish Publication Society of America

“The Shavuot Anthology aims to convey the spirit of the festival in its variegated aspects. Like the preceding volumes in the series this book contains selections from the major sources of Jewish literature in which references to Shavuot are to be found and from the writings of modern authors.”

Aseret Hadibrot: Illuminating the Ten Commandments. A study program for the night of Shavuot; Published by UAHC

This study guide, which contains eight different workshops, was designed to enable you and your congregations to explore the meaning of the Ten Commandments for yourselves through the mitzvah of study.

The Whole Megillah: A Journey ... Rabbinic thesis submitted by Miriam Cotzin, Melissa Fogel, Tali Hyman and Karen Strok

This book presents four themes for each of the megillot associated with Pesach, Shavuot and Sukkot. For each theme, you will find four educational application pages, which can be used for the purpose of in-depth text and holiday study. This thesis was written for you, so take advantage of it!

