

Congregation Torat El

Rabbi Jacob Friedman Religious School Scope & Sequence

Whole school Goals	<i>Bein Adam l'Chavero</i> - Jewish Values	<i>Bein Adam l'Makom</i> - Jewish Rituals	<i>Talmud Torah</i> - Jewish Texts	<i>Ivrit</i> - Hebrew	<i>Tefillah</i> - Jewish Prayer	<i>Ahavat Yisrael</i> - The Love of Israel
	<p>- <i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (being created in the image of God)</p> <p>- <i>Tikkun Olam</i> (Repairing the world)</p> <p>- <i>Kol yisrael arevim zeh bazeh</i> All of Israel is responsible for each other.</p> <p>- <i>Tzedakah</i></p>	<p>- Shabbat Kiddush and hamotzi</p> <p>-Familiarity with symbols and their respective Holidays</p> <p>-Havdallah service</p> <p>-Food blessings</p> <p>-Kashrut</p>	<p>- Bible stories from Genesis and Exodus:</p> <p>- Adam and Eve</p> <p>- Abraham & Sara</p> <p>-Isaac & Ishmael</p> <p>-Isaac & Rebecca</p> <p>-Jacob & Esau</p> <p>- Jacob/Israel</p> <p>-Jacob, Rachel & Leah</p> <p>-Joseph and the children of Israel (including Dinah)</p> <p>-Aaron, Miriam, Moses</p> <p>-Shabbat is a different time during the week in which we rest, learn and recharge because God rested.</p>	<p>-Recognize and translate common prayer words.</p> <p>-decode with fluency</p> <p>-Able to say Hebrew name and hebrew names of parent(s)</p>	<p>-Able to lead and understand meaning of Kabbalat shabbat and shabbat Maariv</p> <p>-Able to lead and understand meaning of shabbat and festival kiddush</p> <p>-Able to recite candle blessings for shabbat and Chanukkah</p> <p>-Able to recite 4 Questions and order of the Passover Seder</p>	<p>- Israel as the ancient and modern homeland of the Jews</p> <p>~ Hatikvah</p> <p>-Yom HaAtzmaut</p> <p>-Able to find Israel on a map of the world</p> <p>-Able to place Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, The Golan and Eilat on a map of Israel</p> <p>-Able to describe some of the different groups of people living in Israel</p> <p>-View themselves as part of the people of Israel</p>
Essential Questions	What can I do to make this word a better place? Why should I?	Why do these mitzvot? What does it mean to me?	What lessons from my life can I learn from this piece of Torah?		What does it mean to pray? Who is listening? What is the point of prayer?	What does it mean that Israel is the Jewish Homeland?

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Ganon & K	<i>Bein Adam l'Chavero</i> - Jewish Values	<i>Bein Adam l'Makom</i> - Jewish Rituals	<i>Talmud Torah</i> - Jewish Texts	<i>Ivrit</i> - Hebrew	<i>Tefillah</i> - Jewish Prayer	<i>Ahavat Yisrael</i> - The Love of Israel
	<i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (being created in the image of God)	Torah	Bible stories from Genesis and Exodus:	- Recognize some Hebrew letters	Personal and group prayer	Israel as the ancient and modern homeland of the Jews
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Hiddur Pnei Zaken</i> (Honoring the elderly)	Symbols to explore: Shabbat dinner	Adam and Eve	Learn words with picture recognition	Prayer as talking with God	Israel in the Bible
Dates Covered:						
	Tza'ar Ba'alei Chayim (Caring for Animals)	Candles, Grape Juice,	Tower of Babel	Spoken Hebrew/ school words:	Spoken Hebrew/ school words:	Modern State of Israel
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tzedakah</i>	Washing before Ha'motzi	Noah's Ark	Colors	Candles Blessing -Shabbat -Holiday -Chanukah	
Dates Covered:						
		Challah	Abraham & Sarah	Numbers	Challah	
Dates Covered:						

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		Shofar Round challah	Isaac & Rebekah		Wine/Grape Juice	
Dates Covered:						
		Lulav/Etrog	Jacob & Esau			
Dates Covered:						
		Masks & Gragger for Purim	Jacob becomes Israel			
Dates Covered:						
		Seder Plate	Joseph and the sons of Israel			
Dates Covered:						
			The story of Moses	Stand & Sit		
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	Why do we help others?					
Texts and Learning Materials Used:		Holiday Plush Toys		Parachute, colored balls & plush toys	Large Children's Siddur	

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	<i>-Kibud Av v'Em</i> (Honoring the father and mother)	Symbols to explore: - Shofar	Bible stories from Genesis and Exodus:	Recognize all Hebrew letters and vowels Reinforce all words learned in Ganon & K	Introduction to the prayers below and reinforcement of prayers learn in previous years.	Hatikvah
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (Kindness to others)	Round Challah	Adam and Eve	Basic classroom commands: i.e., sit, stand, open the door etc	Modeh/Modah Ani	Yom HaAtzmaut
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tzedakah</i> (Justice not Charity)	Lulav/Etrog	Tower of Babel		Oseh Shalom	The Israeli flag
Dates Covered:						
		Torah Scroll	Noah's Ark		Chanukah candle blessings	Jerusalem,
Dates Covered:						

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		Dreidel	Isaac & Rebekah			Tel Aviv
Dates Covered:						
		Channukiah	Jacob & Esau			
Dates Covered:						
		Purim masks	Jacob becomes Israel			
Dates Covered:						
		Seder plate	Joseph and the sons of Israel			
Dates Covered:						
		Around The Synagogue	The story of Moses			
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	What is in the Torah?				How do I talk to God? What do the words of the Shema mean?	Where is Israel? Why is Israel important to the Jewish people?
Texts and Learning Materials Used:		Holiday Plush Toys & Ritual Items			Parachute, colored balls & plush toys	Large Children's Siddur

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	<i>Kibud Av v'Em</i> (Honoring the father and mother)	Blessings for different types of food	Bible stories from Genesis and Exodus:	Recognize all Hebrew letters and vowels	Introduction to the following prayers (practice recitation, understand basic meaning, know when it appears during the service):	Israel as the ancient and modern homeland of the Jews
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (Kindness to others)	Ma Nishtana	Adam and Eve	Decode single syllable letter/vowel combinations	Barchu	Yom HaAtzmaut
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Hiddur Pnei Zaken</i> (Honoring the elderly)	Shabbat dinner blessings (Candles, Grape Juice, Washing, Challah)	Tower of Babel		Shema	The Israeli flag
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tza'ar Ba'alei Chayim</i> (Caring for Animals)	Keeping Kosher (Milk, meat, parve, treif)	Noah's Ark		V'ahavtah	Hatikvah
Dates Covered:						

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	<i>Tikkun Olam</i> (Repairing the World)		Isaac & Rebekah		Amidah (beginning - <i>Avot v'Imahot</i>)	
Dates Covered:						
	Tzedakah as Justice		Jacob & Esau			
Dates Covered:						
			Jacob becomes Israel			
Dates Covered:						
			Joseph and the sons of Israel			
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	What is one thing I can do to make the world better?	Why do we think about God connected to food?	How might you feel if you were one of our ancestors in the Torah? What can we learn from them?		What does it mean to have one God? Why should I pray? Who is God?	
Texts and Learning Materials Used:				Shalom Aleph Bet		

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<i>Kitah Gimmel</i> 3rd Grade	<i>Bein Adam l'Chavero</i> - Jewish Values	<i>Bein Adam l'Makom</i> - Jewish Rituals	<i>Talmud Torah</i> - Jewish Texts	<i>Ivrit</i> - Hebrew	<i>Tefillah</i> - Jewish Prayer	<i>Ahavat Yisrael</i> - The Love of Israel
	<i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (Kindness to others)	Jewish calendar	Review parts of Torah learned in previous years.	Recognize all Hebrew letters and vowels	Introduction to the following prayers (practice recitation, understand basic meaning, know when it appears during the service, choreography)	Hatikvah
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Bikkur Cholim</i> (Visiting the sick)	Rosh Chodesh	Who's Who in the Torah (biblical figures)	Decode Hebrew words	Barchu	Geography of Israel
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Bal Tashchit</i> (Not wasting)	Order of the Passover Seder	Aaron	Block letter writing Emphasizing their own name.	Shema	Yom Ha'azmaut
Dates Covered:						
	- Ma Nishtana	Miriam			Ein K'eloheinu	
Dates Covered:						

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	Tzedakah	Friday night blessings	Moses & Tziporah		Begin learning the Kabbalat Shabbat service	
Dates Covered:						
	Ten Commandments (Which are most important to you)?	Chanukah blessings			<i>Kabbalat Siddur</i> Ceremony	
Dates Covered:						
					Oseh Shalom	
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	What is one thing I can do to help another? Why should I?	Why say blessings?	What would I have done in the same situation? How is this similar to parts of my life?		-Why should I use the words in the siddur? Do I have to? -Why should I pray? - Who is God?	What is my connection to Israel? What is a Jewish person's connection to Israel?
Texts and Learning Materials Used:		Experiencing the Jewish Holidays	Explorer's Bible I & II	Shalom U'vrachah		

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	<i>Tikkun Olam</i> (Repairing the World)		Review Five Books of the Torah, focussing on students placing themselves within the Torah narrative.	Prefixes and suffixes	Introduction to the following prayers (practice recitation, understand basic meaning, know when it appears during the service, choreography):	History of Israel
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tzedakah</i>	Morning Blessings	Adam & Eve	question words	Barchu	Hatikvah
Dates Covered:						
	<i>V'ahavta L'reicha</i> (Love your neighbor)	Chanukah blessings	Noah & the Flood	Prayer reading fluency	Shema	Yom Ha'azmaut
Dates Covered:						
		Order of the seder	Abram/Abraham Sarai/Sara	root words	V'ahavtah	Jerusalem
Dates Covered:						
			Isaac & Ishmael		Chatzi kaddish & Kaddish Shalem	
Dates Covered:						
			Rebekah		Mi Chamocha	
Dates Covered:						
			Jacob & Esau		Ahavat Olam	
Dates Covered:						

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		Ma Nishtana	Jacob's dream & becoming Israel	Recognize common prayer words	Aleinu	Tel Aviv
Dates Covered:						
		Four Children	Joseph and his brothers	Translate common prayer words	Kabbalat Shabbat Psalms	Haifa
Dates Covered:						
			Origins of Children of Israel in Egypt		Ein K'eloheinu	The Golan
Dates Covered:						
			Moses & Burning bush			Eilat
Dates Covered:						
			Exodus from Egypt			
Dates Covered:						
			Revelation at Sinai			
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	How do I help make my world a bit better?	Why do mitzvot?	What would I have done? How would I have felt?		What do these words mean in English? What do they mean to me?	What are the different characteristics of the different cities in Israel?
<i>Texts Used:</i>		<u>Experiencing the Jewish Holidays</u>	Explorer's Bible I & II	<u>Shalom Ivrit 1</u>		

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	<i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (Kindness to others)	Kiddush - Friday night and Shabbat morning	Review Torah studied in previous years. Patriarch & Matriarchs in Genesis	Recognize roots	Recitation, understand basic meaning, know when it appears during the service & choreography:	Different Jewish communities of Israel
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tzedakah</i>	Kashrut	Crossing the Red Sea	Refined prayer reading fluency	Birchot HaShchar	
Dates Covered:						Yom Ha'azmaut
	<i>V'ahavta L'reicha</i> (Love thy neighbor)	Birkat Hamazon	Sinai & the 10 Commandments	Root words	Shema	
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Bikkur Cholim</i> (Visiting the sick)		The Spies	Prayer meaning	Amidah	Jerusalem
Dates Covered:						
			Billaam		Ashrei	Tel Aviv
Dates Covered:						
			Entering Israel		Shabbat Torah Service	Haifa
Dates Covered:						

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			Megillat Esther		Aleinu	Eilat
Dates Covered:						
			Jonah		Ein K'eloheinu	
Dates Covered:						
			Midrash as commentary on the text and filling in spaces. How you can do this.		Kabbalat Shabbat Psalms	
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	How do I do these mitzvot?	Why do we observe holidays as we do? Who or what is God & why does it matter?	How would I have felt in the situations in the bible? What would I have do? What can I learn from the Torah?		Why do we pray? Who, if anyone, is listening?	What is my connection to Israel? Where would I want to visit?
<i>Texts Used:</i>	<u>Mensch Handbook</u>		<u>Experiencing the Torah</u>	Hineni 2	<u>Experiencing Jewish Prayer</u>	

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	<i>Pikuach Nefesh</i> (Saving a life)	Kiddush, V'Shamru	Review Torah studied in previous years.	Reading with speed and fluency	Explore the structure and norms of the services	The kibbutz and alternative living styles, and people
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Rodef Shalom</i> (Pursuing peace)	Havdallah blessings	Abram/ Abraham Sarai/Sara	Recognize roots	Kevah and Kavannah	Yom Ha'azmaut
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Shmirat Halashon</i> (Guarding your tongue)	Tefillin	Isaac & Ishmael	Core prayer meaning	Torah Service	Jerusalem
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tzedakah</i>	Tallit	Rebekah		Full, Half and Mourner's Kaddish	Tel Aviv
Dates Covered:						
			Isaac & Ishmael			
Dates Covered:						

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			Crossing the Red Sea		Kiddush	Haifa
Dates Covered:						
			Sinai & the 10 Commandments		4 Questions	The Golan
Dates Covered:						
			Megillat Esther		Ashrei	
Dates Covered:						
			Jonah		Concluding prayers	
Dates Covered:						
			Ruth			
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	<p>How do I do these mitzvot even when it is hard?</p> <p>Why is it important to do these and other mitzvot?</p>	<p>How are these symbols reminders</p> <p>Of what do they remind me?</p>	<p>What is a Haftarah? Where does it come from?</p> <p>Who is a hero?</p> <p>What makes a Jewish leader?</p> <p>How can I be a Jewish leader?</p>		<p>What does it mean for an object or person to be holy?</p> <p>How can I be holy?</p> <p>What is blessing and what is its point?</p>	<p>How is Israel the homeland to the Jewish people?</p>
<i>Texts Used:</i>			<u>Make a Midrash Out of Me</u> (TA)	<u>Hinenni Gimel</u>	<u>Experiencing Jewish Prayer</u>	<u>Welcome to Israel!</u> (BH) <u>A Young Person's History of Israel</u> (BH)

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	<i>Drench Eretz</i> (Ethical action)	B'nai Mitzvah	Review Torah studied in previous years.	Kevah and Kavannah	Personal connection to Israel	Terminology used to discuss the Holocaust
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Tikkun Olam</i> (Repairing the World)	Jewish Ritual objects: Kippah, Tallit, Tefillin Meaning & use of	Abram/ Abraham Sarai/Sara	Kabbalat Shabbat	Different peoples living in Israel	Six Stages of the Holocaust
Dates Covered:						
	<i>Shmirat HaGuf</i> (Protecting the body)	Havdallah blessings	Isaac & Ishmael	Shabbat Maariv Service (including Kiddush)	Yom Ha'azmaut	Children of the Holocaust
Dates Covered:						
	Tattooing Body Piercing	Writing a D'var Torah	Rebekah	Shabbat Shachrit, Torah Service & Musaf		Kristallnacht
Dates Covered:						

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	<i>Tzedakah</i>		Megillat Esther	Havdalah Blessings		Media and its role (propaganda)
Dates Covered:						
	Medical Ethics		Jonah			Jewish Partisans
Dates Covered:						
	Lashon HaRah		Midrash as commentary on the text and filling in spaces. How you can do this.			
Dates Covered:						
	Honoring Veterans		Haftarah			
Dates Covered:						
Essential Questions:	<p>Why is it important to do these mitzvot?</p> <p>What is a mitzvah? From whom does the commandment come?</p> <p>How do I navigate through peer pressure and others expectation of me to do what I think is right?</p>	<p>What do I think about this piece of Torah?</p> <p>What do these Jewish ritual objects mean to me?</p> <p>How can they help me have a stronger connection to God and my Judaism?</p>	<p>What is a Haftarah?</p> <p>Where does it come from?</p> <p>Did the stories in the Torah really happen? Does it matter?</p>	<p>What do these prayers mean to me?</p> <p>How can I talk to God?</p> <p>Why should I talk to God?</p> <p>What does it mean to be a Bar or Bat Mitzvah?</p>	<p>Why do we celebrate Israel?</p> <p>How is Israel different from other places?</p>	<p>What is the significance of the Holocaust?</p> <p>What lessons can I learn from the quote, "Never Again?"</p> <p>Who holds responsibility for the Holocaust?</p>
<i>Texts Used:</i>	<u>Experiencing Sacred Community</u>		<u>Eta Chayim Chumash</u> <u>Shabbat Torah Service</u>	<u>Siddur Lev Shalem</u> <u>Praying with Lior</u>		The Sunflower Paperclips Interviews with Survivors