



SUKKOT RESOURCES

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***Your Guide to the Jewish Holidays: From Shofar to Seder* by Matt Axelrod (240)**

Intended for the reader who has no prior knowledge about the Jewish holidays as well as those who knows the basics, Axelrod's book takes a humorous, light-hearted look at the eleven most important Jewish holidays including Sukkot.

***Rejoice in Your Festivals: Penetrating Insights into Pesach, Shavuot and Sukkot* by Zvi Dov Kanotopsky (240)**

Containing thirty eight previously unpublished *derashot* of Rabbi Zvi Dov Kanotopsky, this book adds new dimensions to our understanding and enjoyment of the holidays.

***Celebrating the Jewish Year: The Fall Holidays* by Paul Steinberg (240)**

Offers prayers, sources, rituals, and stories to help understand and celebrate Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot.

***Change & Renewal: The Essence of the Jewish Holidays, Festivals and Days of Remembrance* by Adin Steinsaltz (240)**

With a unique combination of intellectual brilliance and accessibility, Rabbi Steinsaltz probes the meaning of the Jewish holidays.

Contact Rachel Kamin at 847/432-8900 x242 or rkamin@nssbethel.org for more information on these and other available resources.

PINSOF CHILDREN'S READING ROOM:

***The Vanishing Gourds: A Sukkot Mystery* by Susan Axe-Bronk (E240.3)**

Sara and her brother Avi try to discover why the gourds keep vanishing from their family's sukkah.

***Engineer Ari and the Sukkah Express* by Deborah Bodin Cohen (E240.3)**

When the friends he has made on the new railroad line give Engineer Ari things to help build and decorate a sukkah in his courtyard, he is sad that they cannot come and enjoy it with him.

***Molly's Pilgrim* by Barbara Cohen (JF)**

This endearing story links Sukkot and Thanksgiving through the school experiences of an immigrant child. Also available on DVD.

***On Sukkot and Simchat Torah* by Cathy Goldberg Fishman (E240.3)**

Beautifully illustrated, this story brings together and explains three holidays associated with the fall festival season: Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret, and Simchat Torah.

***Night Lights* by Barbara Diamond Goldin (E240.3)**

A young boy learns about the meaning of Sukkot while overcoming his fear of the dark.

***The Mysterious Guests* by Eric A. Kimmel (E240.3)**

Three mysterious guests appear at generous but impoverished Ezra's table on Sukkot and bless him, while they bring curses upon his rich but selfish brother Eben.



***The Very Crowded Sukkah* by Leslie Kimmelman (E240.3)**

What happens if it rains on Sukkot? The sukkah may be just the right shelter for some very surprising guests.

PINSOF CHILDREN'S READING ROOM (cont'd):

***Sadie's Sukkah Breakfast* by Jamie Korngold (E240.3)**

Two siblings plan a special breakfast in their family's sukkah during the holiday of Sukkot.

***It's Sukkah Time* by Latifa Berry Kropf (E240.3)**

Color photographs and simple text depict preschoolers celebrating in a Sukkah.

***Hillel Builds A House* by Shoshana Lepon (E240.3)**

A young boy, who loves to build houses, learns that Sukkot is the perfect holiday for him.

***Sukkot Treasure Hunt* by Allison Ofanansky (E240.3)**

In Israel, a young girl and her family go on a scavenger hunt to find the "four species" of Sukkot.

***Tikvah Means Hope.* by Patricia Polacco (E240.3)**

After a devastating fire in the hills of Oakland, California during Sukkot, a Jewish family and their neighbors find symbols of hope amidst the ashes.

***A Watermelon in the Sukkah* by Sylvia Rouss (E240.3)**

A class of preschool students wonders how to hang a watermelon in the sukkah. See also: *Sammy Spider's First Sukkot*.

***Bubbe Isabella and the Sukkot Cake* by Kelly Terwilliger (E240.3)**

Bubbe Isabella invites many animal guests to spend Sukkot with her, but they are more interested in eating the Sukkah than her lovely lemon cake.

***The Sukkah That I Built* by Rochel Groner Vorst (E240.3)**

With the help of his family, a young Jewish boy builds a sukkah.



***Shaking in the Shack* by Dori Weinstein (JF)**

Joel Silver loves to be a comedian and to play practical jokes. However, when he, his twin sister Ellie and the rest of their fifth-grade Hebrew school class find something surprising in the synagogue's sukkah, it's no laughing matter.

DVDs:

Molly's Pilgrim

Based on the book by Barbara Cohen, this live-action film carries a message about religious tolerance, Thanksgiving, Sukkot, and growing up.

***Monsters in the Sukkah* (Shalom Sesame)**

Avigail and Brosh's plans to welcome their guests come crashing down with their Sukkah. But, with a little help from their friends, they can rebuild it in time for Sukkot.

Ushpizin

Powerful and funny, this film looks at the lives of an ultra-Orthodox Jewish couple during Sukkot. In Hebrew, with English subtitles.

MUSIC

***Sing Shalom: Songs for the Jewish Holidays* by Peter & Ellen Allard**

Singing in a host of engaging musical styles, the Allards provide a reason to celebrate with songs like "L'Shanah Tovah," "The Roof of Our Sukkah," and "One by One" (for Simchat Torah).

***Shirim Al Galgalim: Songs on Wheels* by Debbie Friedman**

This album contains a dozen intelligent but accessible children's songs including "L'Shana Tovah for Rosh Hashanah" and "What's Inside the Sukkah."

***Amazing Songs for Amazing Jewish Kids* with Judy Caplan Ginsburgh**

Sixteen bouncy children's songs including "In My Sukkah" and "Lulav Shake."