



GJC Religious School

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what we learn

	Hebrew	Ritual	Torah	Holidays	History & Community
kindergarten  i ♥ being jewish	Reading Readiness & Vocabulary Builders	Doing Jewish at home and at synagogue	Parsha Plays: Trying the Torah on for size	Jewish holidays as a 360° sensory experience	<i>Betzelem Elohim</i> (in the divine image) & my role in making the world a better place
grade 1  me . family . community	Letters & Vowels	Sacred objects we use at home to celebrate with family	Making the Torah come alive through drama and art	Transforming moments into special Jewish times	Every Jewish family is unique - but we are all part of <i>K'lal Yisrael</i> (Jewish community)
grade 2  jewish rhythms	Alef-Bet Review & Decoding	Sacred objects we use in the synagogue	Zooming in on the story of Joseph: becoming a <i>mensch</i> (good person)	Exploring holidays through nature & the agricultural cycle	<i>Tzedakah</i> & giving back to community
grade 3  mitzvot & middot	B'rahot (blessings) Sight words	Mitzvot: seeing our lives through a Jewish lens	<i>Ma'amad b'Har Sinai</i> Standing at Sinai & the 10 Commandments	Mitzvah mechanics of the Jewish Year	Jewish values and <i>Tzedakah</i>
grade 4  past, present & future	Shaharit & Ashrei 30 sight words	Jewish lifecycle: Rituals to mark transitions in our lives ...and Pet Rocks!	Learning about the Biblical family tree connects the <i>Avot</i> & <i>Imahot</i> to our own families	A global exploration of the Jewish holidays	Introduction to Jewish history Israel: geography and history
grade 5  sacred space - sacred time	Shabbat Amidah & Haftarah trope 50 sight words	<i>Havayah</i> : A 5th grade Jewish community experience	<i>Tanakh</i> along with <i>Talmud</i> and <i>Midrash</i> are the basis of our textual tradition	Using Jewish holidays to understand freedom, liberty and redemption	Early American Jewish history with a focus on Philadelphia: Colonial period to 1880.
grade 6  my jewish voice	Torah Service & Torah trope Hebrew roots & sentence structure	What is prayer? Order & structure of the service	<i>Halakhah</i> : an inter-generational discussion through text from the rabbinic period to today	History and context of the Jewish holidays	The Holocaust Israel: the founding of the modern Jewish state
grade 7  stepping up	Weekday Service	Jewish values, American values, Human values	<i>Pirkei Avot</i> : Jewish ethics of our ancestors and for our own time	Holidays as a way to connect to community, tradition & spirituality	American Jewish history from 1880s to present day

Hebrew through Movement

Parsha Play

E T G A R I V R I T

BBMM:
Bar / Bat
Mitzvah
Meahina

next stop: Teen Tuesday!