



## **Eight Nights, Eight Lights**

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Questions for discussion:

- What is a celebration?
- Why does the Chanukah celebration last for eight nights?
- What is, or would be if you celebrated it, your favorite part of the Chanukah celebration?
- What kinds of family holidays does your family observe and what are some of the traditions of those holidays?
- Why do you think these kinds of family and community celebrations might be important?

Activities to try:

- Draw or make a collage or clay menorah.
- Play the dreidel game using either a handmade or purchased dreidel.
- Learn and sing a Chanukah song such as "Dreidel, Dreidel, Dreidel," "Chanukah, Oh Chanukah," or "Happy Joyous Hanukkah."
- Plan a snack time of traditional Chanukah foods, either homemade or purchased, such as latkes (potato pancakes), rugelach (a filled pastry), Sufganiyot (jelly-filled doughnuts), challah (a yeast bread), or gelt (chocolate coins).

Learn more about celebrations in these books:

***Holidays & Celebrations, A Shine-a-Light book  
All Year Round***  
***Big Words for Little People: Celebrate  
Who Are You?***

