



The Second Night of Chanukah!

This is a Chanukah Lamp from Meknes or Essaouria in Morocco. It was made in the early 20th century, or in the early 1900s. It could be over 100 years old!

Every surface of the scrollwork is covered with engraved lines in a zigzag pattern, called wrigglework. This wrigglework is very common on many Moroccan Jewish objects. An interesting addition to this Chanukah Lamp is a silver stick attached to it by a chain. This stick may have been used to tend the flames. This Chanukah Lamp uses oil instead of candles.

Challenge: Turn your head upside down and see what shape the Chanukah Menorah makes. Why might this be an important shape in the Chanukah story?

This Chanukah Lamp is on view at the Jewish Museum in New York City!



There is a very special way to light the Chanukah flames! Just like the Hebrew alphabet, the candles or oil are placed into the Chanukah Menorah from right to left. However, the flames are lit from left to right! Confused? Learn more by watching the following tutorial.

Candle Lighting Prayers:

(The first prayer is recited only on the first night of Chanukah, or the first time that you are lighting the Chanukah Menorah).

***Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam
shehecheyanu v'kiymanu v'higi'anu laz'man hazeh. (Amein)***

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe who has kept us alive, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season (Amen)

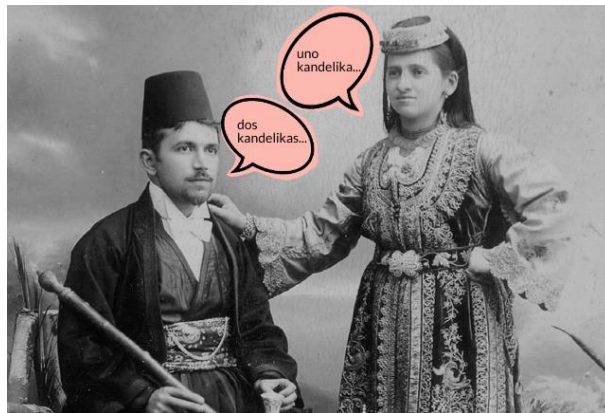
***Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam
asher kidishanu b'mitz'votav v'tzivanu
l'had'lik neir shel Chanukah. (Amein)***

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe, Who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us to light the lights of Chanukah. (Amen)

***Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam
she'asah nisim la'avoteinu bayamim haheim baziman hazeh. (Amein)***

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe, Who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time. (Amen)

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Ocho Kandelikas – a traditional Ladino Chanukah song

Ladino is the language spoken by Sephardic Jewish families around the world. When you listen to and read the lyrics to this song, you might hear words that sound like Spanish. That is because Sephardic Jews trace their family history all the way back to Spain! The image above is of two Sephardic Jewish individuals in traditional clothing that most likely lived in Greece - many Sephardic Jews left Spain and moved all over the world.

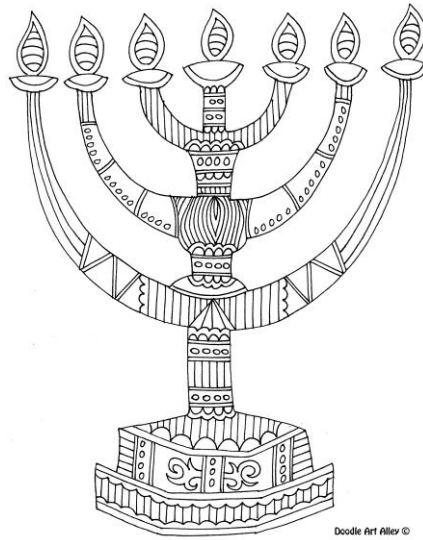
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[Read the Lyrics](#)



You might be familiar with eating jelly donuts on Chanukah - fried, jelly filled desserts that remind us of the miracle of the oil lasting for eight nights. The Hebrew word for this dish is sufganyot. However, the Ladino community makes another donut dish on Chanukah - bunuelos, buñuelos, or bimuelos. While there may be as many spellings as there are for Chanukah, all of these dishes have one thing in common - they are fried balls of dough!

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Color a Menorah! What is different between this menorah and your Chanukah Menorah? A Chanukah Menorah has 8 candles for each night, and a shamash, or helper candle, to light the others. The word menorah, however, just means lamp! This menorah, with 7 candles, would traditionally be lit during the week to represent the different days.

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