

All-of-a-Kind Family Hanukkah

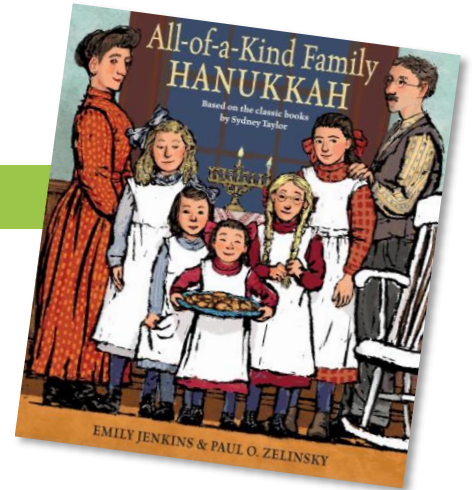
READ ALOUD GUIDE

Themes: Family unity, sense of belonging, traditions

Book Brief: The beloved *All-of-a-Kind Family* is reimagined for younger readers, capturing the warmth of five sisters celebrating Hanukkah in 1912. This adaptation highlights timeless themes of family and tradition.

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BEFORE READING

The Cover: Have students make predictions about the story based on the cover.

The Pictures: Take a brief picture walk and ask students what they notice about the family.

Prior Knowledge: Ask students, "What is something you want to do but not old enough yet. How do you feel about it?"

Vocabulary: Frontload Tier 2 words using the accompanying [Vocabulary Guide](#).

Purpose for Reading: "As we read today, look for how Gertie helps her family prepare for the first night of Hanukkah."

DURING READING

Check for understanding & make connections:

- Explain what happens in the kitchen.
- Why does Gertie want to make latkes?

AFTER READING

Our Purpose: The family is preparing for the first night of Hanukkah. How did Gertie help with Hanukkah?

Extending Our Thinking: Gertie was upset and felt left out for not being able to help. Using [RIF's Influences on a Character](#), have students give examples of how Gertie felt and why she felt that way.

If your students enjoyed this book...

- Encourage them to continue to discuss it and refer to it in other lessons and conversations.
- Let them explore more about Hanukkah.
 - [Hanukkah \(Celebrations & Festivals\)](#) (2024)
 - [Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins](#) (2014)
 - [Hanukkah in Alaska](#) (2013)