

HOLIDAYS AND SPECIAL DAYS IN THE USA

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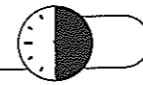
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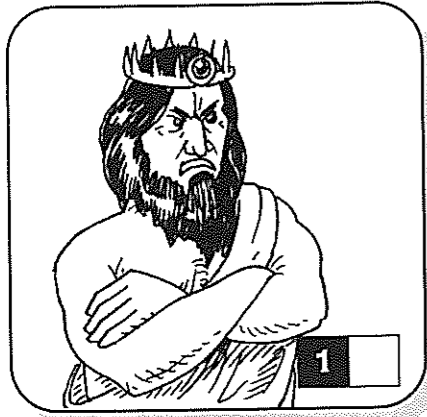
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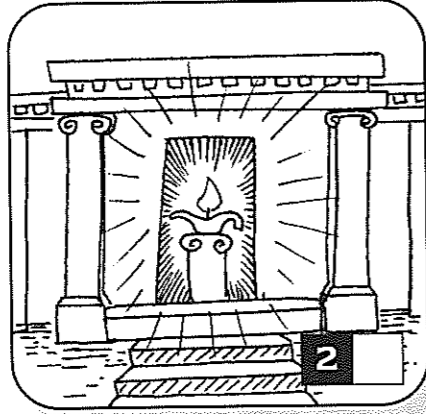


The Story of Hanukkah

This is the story of Hanukkah in pictures. Look at the opposite page and find the correct captions for the pictures. Write the number of the correct caption under each picture.



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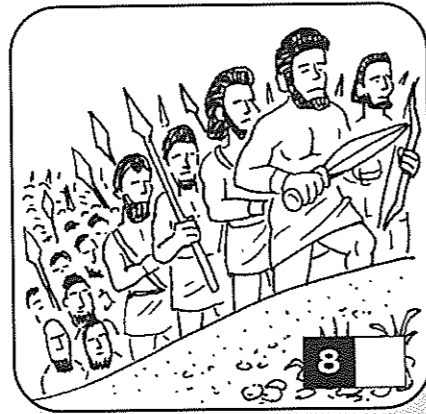
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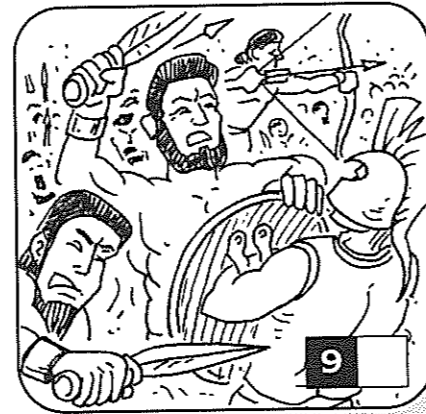
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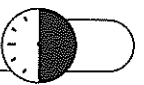
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The Story of Hanukkah

Choose the correct captions for the picture story.

- a. He puts Greek statues in the Jewish temple.
- b. There is a Jewish man with five sons called the Maccabees
- c. Antiochus, the King of Syria, doesn't like Jewish people.
- d. The Jewish army fights against Antiochus and the Jews win. They have their temple again.
- e. Now Jewish people celebrate the Festival of Lights (Hanukkah) to help them remember the story.
- f. The Maccabees refuse to bow to Antiochus's Greek statues.
- g. In the Jewish temple there is a special lamp called the Eternal Light.
- h. He tells Jews: "Bow to my statues or we are going to kill you!"
- i. The Maccabees are brave. They become leaders of the Jewish army.
- j. But there is oil in the Eternal Light for only one day. It takes eight more days to get oil for the Eternal Light.
- k. When Jewish people find the oil for the lamp, the light is still burning after eight days! It's a miracle!
- l. Antiochus wants to use the Jewish temple for his religion.

Light the menorah

Now, when families celebrate Hanukkah, they have a Hanukkah menorah with eight candles. Each night a different person lights a candle. Finish the sentences.

- On the first night of Hanukkah, Joseph lit ____ candle.
- On the second night, Rachel lit ____ candles.
- On the ____ night, Daniel lit three candles.
- On the fourth night, Ruth lit ____ candles.
- On the ____ night, Sandy lit five candles.
- On the sixth night, Jane lit ____ candles.
- On the seventh night, Eve lit ____ candles.
- On the ____ night, Jonathan lit eight candles.



George Washington

This is a famous true story about George Washington.

Can you put all the pictures into the correct order?

a.  Who did this?

b.  Close your eyes. I have your birthday present.

c.  And that's why Americans love eating cherry pie.

d.  It's your birthday tomorrow.

e.  Happy Birthday, George!

f.  Are you going to buy me a present?

g.  Oh no! My favourite cherry tree!

h.  Of course, but it's a surprise.

i.  What a neat birthday present!

j.  I cannot tell a lie, Father. It was me.

k.  But I am a happy man because my son tells the truth.

l.  I am sad about the tree.

The Big Parade

On St Patrick's Day there is a big parade in New York. There are bands and people in costume.

There are lots of other nationalities in New York. Can you find them all in the word search?

The words go across (→), down (↓) and backwards and forwards.

The countries that people of different nationalities come from are listed here to help you.

ENGLAND

GERMANY

SWEDEN

IRELAND

SPAIN

INDIA

CUBA

WALES

NORWAY

GREECE

HOLLAND

FRANCE

SWITZERLAND

R	O	E	N	A	N'	S	A
H	C	N	E	R	F	L	E
P	R	G	E	R	M	A	N
W	E	L	S	H	E	C	O
D	H	I	R	I	S	H	R
U	S	S	G	N	I	S	W
T	I	H	R	A	N	I	E
C	N	H	E	B	D	D	G
H	A	A	E	U	I	E	I
U	P	N	K	C	A	W	A
S	S	I	W	S	N	S	N



Little Ronan Murphy is marching in costume in the St Patrick's Day parade. His character is a tiny little man who appears in Irish children's stories. What is the Irish name for the little man? Use the left-over letters in the word search to find the answer.

Answer