



Baby's First

# Hanukkah



*Jewish star—  
the Star of David*



**Hanukkah is a Jewish festival.  
It's usually in December.**

**Hanukkah celebrates a miracle  
that took place long ago in  
Jerusalem—the miracle of the oil.**

**The oil  
was used to  
light a lamp.**



**The miracle happened after the Jewish people won a battle and took back the Temple in Jerusalem.**



**The people then lit the Temple lamp. They only had enough oil to keep it alight for one day.**



**But it stayed lit for eight days!**

**A miracle!**

**To remember the miracle, for  
eight nights we light a menorah.  
We add a candle each night.**



**Latkes are fried  
potato pancakes.**



**We eat potato latkes and other  
foods fried in oil. These foods remind  
us of the miracle of the oil lamp.**

**We play a spinning-top  
game. We spin the dreidel  
to win coins or candy.**



**The dreidel  
has Hebrew  
letters.**



**The Hebrew letters are the first letters of these words.**



**nes (miracle)**



**gadol (great)**



**haya (happened)**



**sham (there)**

**chocolate coins,  
called Hanukkah gelt**

**yum!**



**When we play dreidel, we  
sometimes win chocolate money.**

**Some families give a present  
on each of the eight nights  
of Hanukkah.**

***What might  
be inside?***



**We sing songs and have  
lots of fun together during  
this special festival.**





**Happy Hanukkah!**

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