

Bereshit: Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten/First Grade

I. Between Persons

- ☒ *Big Ideas*: ethical *mitzvot*, *tzedakah* (giving) and *tikkun olam* (mending the world)
- ☒ Attend one service a month and participate in one designated Family Shabbat

II. Theology and Tradition

Concepts learned:

- ☒ G-d as Creator; terms: *kippah*, *siddur*, *mezuzah*, *tallit*, mitzvah and observing Shabbat (including: candles, Kiddush, challot, festive meal, shul attendance, dressing nicely, havdalah, and zmirot)
- ☒ Major Jewish Holidays and symbols: Shabbat, Rosh Hashanah, Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Hanukkah, Tu B'Shevat, Purim, Passover, Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Shavuot

III. Torah Study

- ☒ *Big Ideas*: Understand Torah portions or Bible Stories for the following:
 - Rosh Hashanah (Creation), Jonah and the Big Fish, Purim (Book of Esther), Passover (Story of Moses)

IV. Knowledge of Hebrew

PRIMARY TEXT: Alef Bet Mystery and Shalom Uvrachah Primer

Concepts learned:

- ☒ Letter recognition: Alef Bet
- ☒ Why Hebrew is used, taught, and understood in Judaism/Torah reading
- ☒ Hebrew language learned:
 - morah/moreh - teacher - todah- thank you - ani po- I am here
 - shalom - hello/goodbye - b'vakasha - you're welcome - lavriut - bless you

V. Tefillah Skills

Prayers taught: (not limited to the following)

- ☒ Hamotzi, Kiddush, and prayer for lighting candles

VI. Knowledge About and Concern for Israel

PRIMARY TEXT: The Great Israel Scavenger Hunt

- ☒ *Big Ideas*: Israel is the Homeland of the Jewish people and basic geography of Israel

VII. Our Synagogue

PRIMARY TEXT: My Synagogue (Coloring Book)

Concepts learned:

- ☒ What the synagogue is and the function it serves for its congregants
- ☒ The parts of the synagogue: Ark (Aron Ha Kodesh), Eternal Light (Ner Tamid), Sanctuary, Social Hall, Office, Bathrooms, Bimah, Torahs
- ☒ People and what they do at the synagogue: Rabbi, Educational Director, Teachers, and Madrichim