

Grade Range: 3rd grade and up

Difficulty Rating: Medium

Time: approximately 20 minutes for actual project; extra time for writing

Categories: Holiday, Gift, Educational, Printable

Menorah Memory Paper Bag Book

A very inexpensive book to print and put together. Easy printables make this craft make up in a heartbeat. Teachers can have the child create the book at school then take it home as homework. The child can interview parents and grandparents about the special traditions that the family observes each night of Hanukkah. This would be fun to pull out each year to compare and see if traditions change through the years.

What you will need:

menorah printables (at end of this project)

3 paper bags: lunch size

crayons or markers

scissors

cardstock: colored or white

hole punch; 1/4"

pencil

yarn or 1/8" wide ribbon

tape



1. Lay paper bag out in front of you. Cut across the sack 8 1/4" from the open end of the sack. Repeat for each bag.
2. Create a "punch template" from the bottom of one of the bags by using the hole punch and punching two holes along one edge. (see photograph) Discard the bottom of the other bags.
3. Fold all the bags in half lengthwise.
4. Use a pencil and the template to mark the punch holes along the folded edge of each bag. Repeat for remaining bags.
5. Hole punch all the bags.
6. Place bags inside each other making a book.
7. Firmly wrap a small piece of tape around the end of the yarn to form a "needle".
8. Push one end of the yarn through the top holes of the bags to the back and back up through the other holes to the top of the bags. You may wish to suggest that the children do this by pushing only through to the middle bag and then continuing through to the bottom bag. Tie in a firm knot and then with a bow knot. Cut any long ends.
9. Print off printables for craft. Have child cut out each menorah printable and "tradition" card.
10. Have child color the menorahs, paying close attention to how the page specifies which night is being celebrated and drawing the appropriate number of "flames" for the candles.
11. Adhere the menorah printables in order in the book.
12. Place the tradition cards inside the "pocket" of that page. These cards should not be glued in place.
13. Have children interview parents or other family members about how they celebrate each night of Hanukkah. Have the child record the traditions on the appropriate card and insert in the pocket of the page.

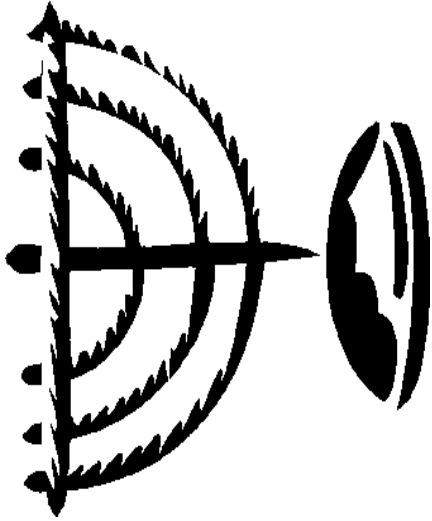


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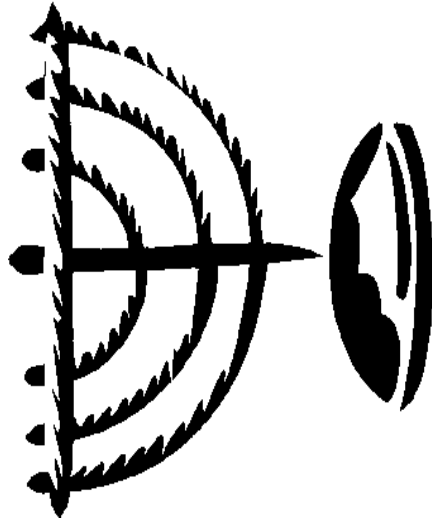
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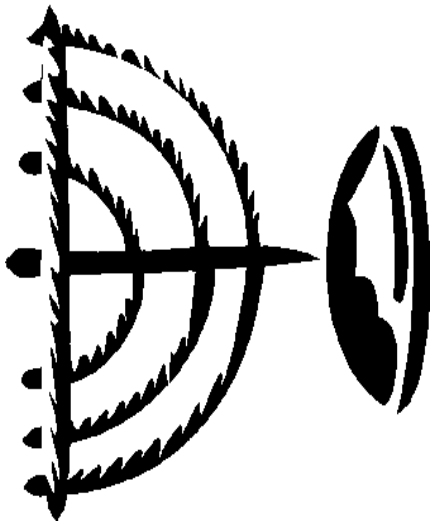
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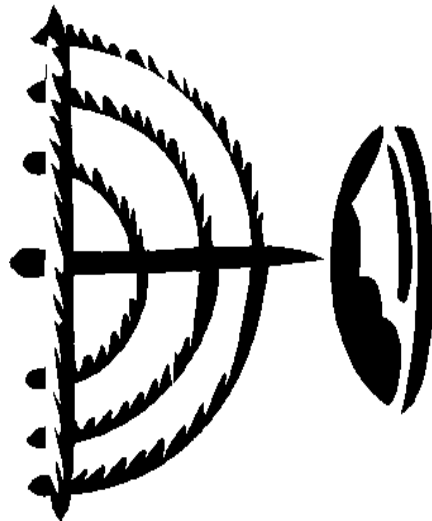
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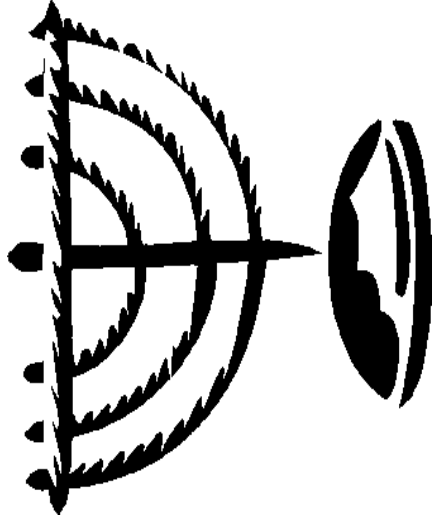
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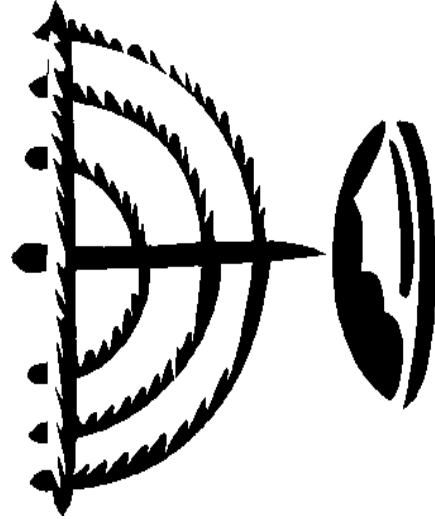
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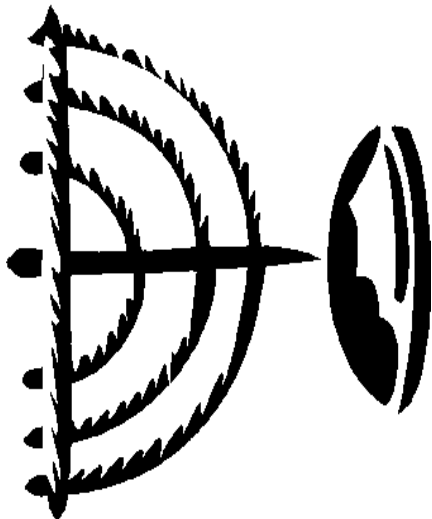
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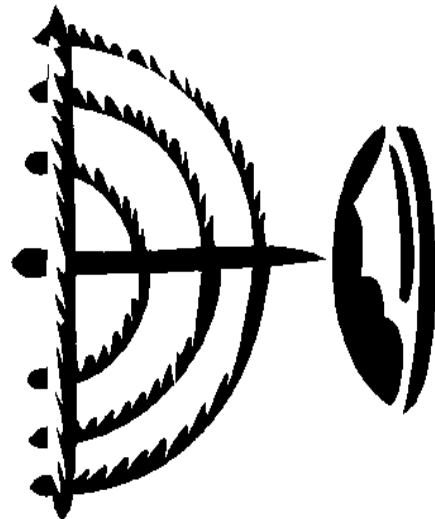
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