

Hanukkah: light and story

GR_W4 | Thursday 09:30–10:10 | Name: _____

I can: Link a Hanukkah lighting practice to its remembered story.

Point, speak, draw or write. Keep your first answer visible.

Our source

CLASSROOM FACT CARD — paraphrased from Chabad.org. Reported Jewish tradition; the miracle is presented as a belief/story, not a classroom science finding.

H1. Hanukkah is a Jewish festival lasting eight days. It recalls the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem.

H2. In the traditional account, oil expected to last one day lasts eight days.

H3. A hanukkiah has eight festival lights and a separate helper light, the shamash.

H4. One festival light is added each night; the eight lights recall the miracle. The helper is not a ninth festival night.

First decision

Why can a hanukkiah have nine light positions during an eight-day festival?

A. The festival actually lasts nine days. / B. One position holds the helper light. / C. One position is a mistake.

My choice and reason:

Your evidence

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1. Draw and label eight festival-light positions plus one separate helper position.

2. Match story / object / practice to H2, H3 and H4.

3. Explain why adding lights is more than decoration in this source.

One change, question or next step:
