

# Hanukkah Takeaway

- 🔦 Share the latke making with the entire family. Everyone has a job or role!
- 🔦 Theme nights for Hanukkah. Instead of gifts every night, assign each night a fun family activity, such as camping indoors, making s'mores, or having a family movie night.
- 🔦 Family presents. Instead of giving each person an individual present, gift something you can do as a family, such as a zoo membership, a special date with a parent, or a sibling night.
- 🔦 Paint your own chanukiah. You can find kits online and kids love painting and using their own special chanukiah.
- 🔦 Gift theme nights. Assign each night of Hanukkah a heading, such as: 1 item that they want, an item that they need, something to read, something to give.
- 🔦 Give 1 big gift and then give them all the things they need for that gift
- 🔦 Kiva loans. Take what you would normally spend and let the kids pick where to donate it.
- 🔦 Involve the whole family in decorating your house for Hanukkah. Window markers are so much fun for kids as is figuring out where to put either handmade or store-bought decorations.
- 🔦 Spend one night at Cedar Village for candlelighting.
- 🔦 Spend one night at a community candle lighting: the zoo (festival of lights), fountain square, Deerfield Town Center, etc.
- 🔦 Hand out things in school to teach about Hanukkah if don't go to a Jewish school. If you need resources, call Rabbi Karen!
- 🔦 Have the kids make their own coins for playing dreidel.
- 🔦 Check out books from the library, and tell 8 stories for 8 nights of Hanukkah.
- 🔦 Latke cook-off/taste test
- 🔦 Making your own sufganiyot (jelly doughnuts)
- 🔦 Host a frying party and fry all sorts of things!
- 🔦 Bake Hanukkah cookies with Hanukkah cookie cutters (see included recipe!)
- 🔦 Hanukkah party themes
- 🔦 Edible chanukiah's
- 🔦 Create a fake stained glass menorah using a kit.
- 🔦 Make dreidels using a marshmallow, hershey kiss, marshmallow fluff for stickiness, and a pretzel stick. Or coat the entire dreidel in fluff and roll it in blue sugar or sprinkles.