

Takeaway for Yom HaShoah, Yom HaZikaron, and Yom Ha'Atzmaut

Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance) – Monday, April 24th

- Light a Memorial candle in honor of the people who lost their lives in the Holocaust.
- Watch a movie that talks about the Holocaust. There is a wonderful short film appropriate for 5th grade and older children called “Daniel’s Story.”
- Visit the Center for Holocaust and Humanity Education
- Explore Yad Vashem’s digital database on their website (<http://www.yadvashem.org/collections>)
- Read a Holocaust book, such as “Number the Stars” by Lois Lowry or “One Yellow Daffodil: A Hanukkah Story” by David A. Adler.

Yom HaZikaron (Fallen soldiers in creating Israel) – Sunday, April 30th

- Light a memorial candle in honor of the people who lost their lives in making Israel a country.
- Plan a moment of silence for your family
- Attend the Yom HaZikaron service at the Mayerson JCC.
- Put an Israeli flag outside of your house for the day.
- Listen to Hatikvah, the Israeli national anthem.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel becomes a country) - Monday, May 1st

- Create a map of Israel out of fun materials (legos, colored sand, salt dough, etc.)
 - For older kids, mark major cities (Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Eilat) and bodies of water.
- Create a picture of the Israeli flag using white paper, masking tape, and blue paint. Use the masking tape to mark off the white areas and then paint the entire picture blue.
- Make a star of David with popsicle sticks, and use blue and white paint to decorate it. Hang them up around your house.
- Cook a special Israeli dinner with foods like Israeli salad and falafel.
- Print out pictures of Israel and cut them into puzzle pieces for your children to put together.