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My Sukkot Story





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Sukkot



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Sukkot is a Jewish festival.

Sukkot means 'The Festival of Booths'.

Sukkah means 'hut' or 'booth'.





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Lots of Jewish festivals are about remembering our history.

After the Jews left Egypt they lived in the desert.

They lived in a 'hut' or a 'Sukkah'.

We remember this by celebrating Sukkot.





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Some people build a Sukkah on Sukkot.

A Sukkah is a temporary hut.





A sukkah must have at least 2 and a half walls.

The roof is called the 'schach'.

The schach is made from natural material.

There are gaps in the schach so you can see the stars.





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We decorate our Sukkah to make it look nice.

If I want to I can make some decorations for our Sukkah.

Making decorations is fun!





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We might eat meals in the Sukkah.

On Sukkot we may invite guests to join us in our Sukkah.

Some people sleep in the Sukkah.





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We might go to synagogue on Sukkot.

Some of my friends also go to synagogue.

There are also lots of other adults.





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I may feel excited or worried at synagogue.

This is OK. I can do something to help me feel calm.

I can play with a quiet toy, read a book or go for a walk.

I can also fiddle or do something that helps me feel calm.





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At synagogue I might see people with a Lulav and Etrog

These are also called 'The Arba Minim'.

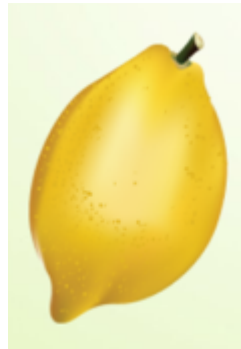




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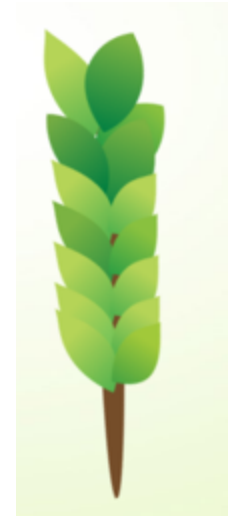
Aravot



Etrog



Lulav



Hadasim

‘Arba Minim’ is Hebrew for ‘The 4 Species’.

There are 4 special plants or fruits that we take only on Sukkot.





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We shake the Arba Minim in all directions.

This helps us remember that Hashem is everywhere.

Hashem is G-d. He created the world and looks after us.





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Sukkot lasts for 8 days.

There are 2 days Yom Tov at the beginning.

The days in the middle are called 'Chol Hamoed'.

After these days there are another 2 days of Yom Tov.





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Sukkot is a fun festival.

It is a happy time and a time to celebrate.





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