

The *sukkah* (סוכה)

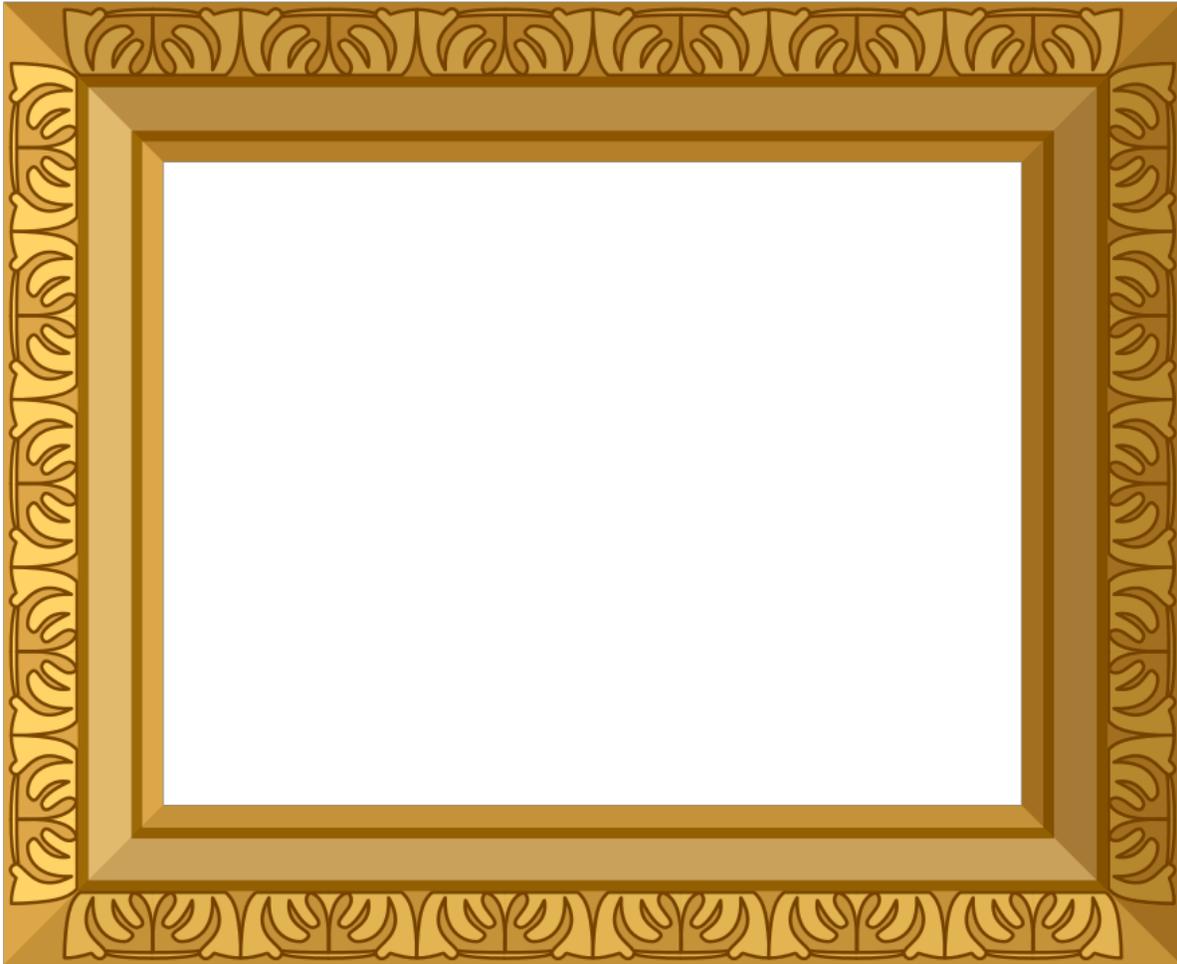
Suggested preparation: There are rules for making a *sukkah*. What do you think is the purpose of the three listed below? A *sukkah* should have...

1. At least three walls.
2. Enough *sechach* (tree branches or large leaves) covering the top so that on a bright sunny day, there is more shade than sun on the floor.
3. Little enough *sechach* so you can still see the brightest stars at night.



Ushpizin (אושפיזין)

Suggested preparation: Choose someone you trust and think highly of who you haven't seen in a long time — maybe a teacher, a grandparent, a close friend or mentor. In the frame below, paste a picture of them, or draw one!



Tivu, tivu! Ushpizin ilayin
Tivu, tivu! Ushpizin kadishin
Tivu, tivu! Ushpizin dimheimenuta

תִּיבוּ תִיבוּ אוֹשְׁפִיזִין עֵילָאִין
תִּיבוּ תִיבוּ אוֹשְׁפִיזִין קַדִּישִׁין
תִּיבוּ תִיבוּ אוֹשְׁפִיזִין דְּמַהִימְנוּתָא

Sit, sit, you high up guests;
sit, sit you holy guests;
sit, sit you trustworthy guests.

Lulav (לוּלָב) and *etrog* (אֶתְרוֹג) — *Arba'a minim* (ארבעה מינים)

Suggested preparation: Get something to represent the four species. I recommend a lemon and willow branch. Traditionally, there would also be a new, closed palm frond and a bough with leaves from a myrtle.



בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ עַל נְטִילַת לוּלָב

*Baruch Atah Adonai Elhoeinu Melekh haOlam,
asher kidshanu bmitzvotav v'tzivanu
al n'tilat lulav*

In My Sukkah

Music and lyrics by Judy Caplan Ginsburgh

I built a little sukkah [*echo*]
Out in the back [*echo*]
It looks like a house [*echo*]
And a little like a shack [*etc.*]
Well it's not too big
And it's not too high
When you sit inside
You can see the sky.

Chorus:

Shake, shake, shake the lulav
Smell the etrog so sweet.
Come and have a looka in my sukkah
And help yourself to something to eat
In my sukkah, in my sukkah,
in my suu.....kkah.

I built the roof
Of sticks and twigs
I strung up apples
And nuts and figs
And some bananas
And that's not all
There were fruits and veggies
All over the walls.

Chorus.....

I built my sukkah with cloth and wood
It looks so pretty and it smells so good
With leaves and branches all around
My momma lights the candles when
the sun goes down.