



Hanukkah



Fill in the blanks below with words from this box:

lights	miracle	celebrate
dreidel	wins	menorah
thousand	coins	oil
circle	Chanukah	spin
higher	Nine	eight
four	shamash	center

Hanukkah

Hanukkah, which is also known as the festival of _____, is a Jewish holiday that lasts for _____ days. It reminds Jewish people of a _____ that occurred in a temple over two _____ years ago. The temple needed a light, but there was only enough _____ to last for one night. Miraculously, the oil lasted for eight nights, which gave the people enough time to find oil from somewhere else. Hanukkah is also called _____.

Chanukah Menorah

To celebrate the miracle at the temple, families light a special candleholder called a _____. The Chanukah menorah has _____ branches, instead of the seven branches that most temple menorahs have. There is one branch for each night that the light miraculously burned and an extra branch called a _____. The shamash is usually _____ or lower than the other branches.

Dreidal

During Hanukkah, families get together and _____. Children play a game with a _____-sided top called a _____. Players sit in a _____ and _____ the dreidel.



Each player gets 10 to 15 _____, chocolates, or nuts at the beginning of the game. Depending on how the dreidel lands, the player either puts one of their treasures into the _____ or takes some of the treasures in the center out. The player who ends up with everything _____ the game.