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# Genesis/Bereishit

Parsha	Values	PJ Library Titles
Bereishit	<p><b>The Creation</b></p>	<p><b><i>And There Was Evening, and There Was Morning</i></b> Harriet Cohen Helfand and Ellen Kahan Zager - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>A Beautiful World</i></b> Yael Gover - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>My Hands Make the World</i></b> Amalia Hoffman - ages 0-2</p>
	<p><b>Humans as guardians/caregivers of the earth</b></p> <p><i>In keeping with Adam and Eve's instructions to "work and guard" (The Garden of Eden), the characters in these books work diligently to safeguard the world.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Adam's Animals</i></b> Barry L. Schwartz - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Take Care</i></b> Madelyn Rosenberg - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>Gathering Sparks</i></b> Howard Schwartz - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>10 Things I Can Do to Help My World</i></b> Melanie Walsh - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Sam and Charlie (And Sam Too) Help Save the Earth!</i></b> Leslie Kimmelman - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Just a Dream</i></b> Chris Van Allsburg - ages 7-8</p>
	<p><b>Shabbat as a day of rest</b></p>	<p><b><i>Saturdays Are Special</i></b> Chris Barash - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Lights Out Shabbat</i></b> Sarene Shulimson - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>The Cricket and the Ant</i></b> Naomi Ben-Gur - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Sabbath Lion</i></b> Howard Schwartz - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Schmutzy Family</i></b> Madelyn Rosenberg - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Yitzi, the Trusty Tractor</i></b> Naomi Shulman - ages 5-6</p>
Noach	<p><b>Story of Noah and the ark</b></p>	<p><b><i>Noah's Ark</i></b> Susan Collins Thoms - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>On Noah's Ark</i></b> Jan Brett - ages 3-4</p>



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Noach	Community/Working Together/Shalom Bayit (Peace in the Home) as displayed aboard Noah's ark	<p><b>Worse and Worse on Noah's Ark</b> Leslie Kimmelman - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>The Animals' Ark</b> Marianne Dubuc - ages 2-3</p> <p><b>Can You Hear a Coo, Coo?</b> Jamie Kiffel-Alcheh - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Fox Walked Alone</b> Barbara Reid - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Noah's Bark</b> Stephen Krensky - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Old Noah's Elephants</b> Warren Ludwig - ages 3-4</p>
	Kindness to animals as depicted on Noah's Ark	<p><b>If I Lived with Noah</b> Pamela Moritz - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Chameleon that Saved Noah's Ark</b> Yael Molchadsky - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Old Noah's Elephants</b> Warren Ludwig - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Naamah and the Ark at Night</b> Susan Campbell Bartoletti - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>There's a Goblin on the Ark!</b> Susan Tarcov - ages 3-4</p>
Lech Lecha	<p>Leaving one's home and moving to a new land (Israel) - G-d commands Abraham and Sarah to move to a new land.</p> <p><i>The characters in these titles all leave their homes and move to Israel.</i></p>	<p><b>First Rain</b> Charlotte Herman - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Barefoot in the Sand</b> Hava Deevon - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Yosef's Dream</b> Sylvia Rouss - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Yuvi's Candy Tree</b> Lesley Simpson - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Pumpkin Pie for Sigd</b> Jennifer Tzivia MacLeod - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Shoham's Bangle</b> Sarah Sassoon - ages 6-8</p>
	Belief in one G-d	<p><b>Abraham's Search for God</b> Jacqueline Jules - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>On Noah's Ark</b> Jan Brett - ages 3-4</p>



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<p><b>Vayeira</b></p>	<p><b>Welcoming guests – Abraham and Sarah welcome guests/angels into their home.</b></p> <p><i>These titles feature characters who warmly welcome guests into their home. A few titles (such as Welcome and The Mysterious Guests) contain characters who initially have trouble graciously welcoming guests.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Sarah Laughs</i></b> Jacqueline Jules – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Hi, Hello, Welcome</i></b> Chris Barash – ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>Welcome</i></b> Stephane Barroux – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Max Builds a Time Machine</i></b> Carl Harris Shuman – ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Joseph and the Sabbath Fish</i></b> Eric A. Kimmel – ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Mysterious Guests</i></b> Eric A. Kimmel – ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Sammy Spider’s New Friend</i></b> Sylvia Rouss – ages 3-4</p>
	<p><b>Celebrating the arrival of a new baby – Birth of Isaac</b></p>	<p><b><i>A Song for My Sister</i></b> Lesley Simpson – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Rebecca’s Journey Home</i></b> Brynn Olenberg Sugarman – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Sam and Charlie (and Sam Too) Help Save the Earth!</i></b> Leslie Kimmelman – ages 5-6</p>
<p><b>Chayei Sarah</b></p>	<p><b>Kindness to animals – Rebecca gives water to the camels at the well.</b></p> <p><b>See Parsha Noach</b></p>	<p><b><i>Sammy Spider’s First Day of School</i></b> Sylvia Rouss – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>How to Heal a Broken Wing</i></b> Bob Graham – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>King David and Akavish the Spider</i></b> Sylvia Rouss – ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Stork’s Landing</i></b> Tami Lehman-Wilzig – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Ten Old Men and a Mouse</i></b> Cary Fagan – ages 7-8</p>
<p><b>Toldot</b></p>	<p><b>Jealousy, Sibling rivalry – Jacob and Esau each want their father’s special blessing.</b></p> <p><i>Like Jacob and Esau, some of the siblings in these books fight with one another and/or experience jealousy.</i></p>	<p><b><i>All-of-a-Kind Family Hanukkah</i></b> Emily Jenkins – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Babka Sisters</i></b> Lesléa Newman – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Mitzvah Magician</i></b> Linda Elovitz Marshall – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Onions &amp; Garlic</i></b> Rebecca Sheir – ages 7-8</p>



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Toldot	Jealousy, Sibling rivalry – Jacob and Esau each want their father’s special blessing.	<b>Rachel’s Roses</b> Ferida Wolff – ages 7-8  <b>Koala Challah</b> Laura Gehl – ages 3-4
Vayetzei	Weddings – Jacob marries Leah and Rebecca.	<b>Don’t Sneeze at the Wedding</b> Pamela Mayer – ages 5-6  <b>Dance the Hora, Isadora</b> Gloria Koster – ages 4-5  <b>The Market Wedding</b> Cary Fagan – ages 7-8  <b>The Mouse Who Danced the Hora</b> Pamela Mayer – ages 5-6  <b>Uncle Eli’s Wedding</b> Tracy Newman – ages 5-6
	<b>The significance/origins of names</b>  <i>Ten of Jacob’s children are born in this parsha. Each child receives a carefully chosen name that conveys meaning. For example, Zevulun comes from the Hebrew word zaved, meaning gift. Judah is derived from odeh, meaning praise.</i>	<b>My Name is Aviva</b> Lesléa Newman – ages 5-6  <b>Leon Ben-Tzion the 14th</b> Nevo Ziv – ages 5-6  <b>The First Gift</b> A.S. Gadot – ages 3-4  <b>A Song for My Sister</b> Lesley Simpson – ages 5-6
Vayishlach	Forgiveness/Teshuva (making amends) – Jacob and Esau forgive one another.	<b>The Hardest Word</b> Jacqueline Jules – ages 5-6  <b>Engineer Ari and the Rosh Hashanah Ride</b> Deborah Bodin Cohen – ages 3-4  <b>Lilly’s Purple Plastic Purse</b> Kevin Henkes – ages 5-6  <b>Are We Still Friends?</b> Ruth Horowitz – ages 3-4  <b>Red, Blue and Yellow Yarn</b> Miriam Kosman – ages 3-4  <b>Oh No, George!</b> Chris Haughton – ages 3-4  <b>Picnic at Camp Shalom</b> Jacqueline Jules – ages 6-8



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Vayeshev	<p><b>Sibling Rivalry/ Jealousy – Joseph’s siblings are jealous of Joseph’s coat of many colors and the attention their father lavishes upon him.</b></p> <p>See Parsha Toledot</p>	<p><b>Benjamin and the Silver Goblet</b> Jacqueline Jules – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>Oy Vey! Life in a Shoe</b> <i>(With 13 children, the family in this book mirrors Joseph’s)</i> Bonnie Grubman – ages 5–6</p>
Mikeitz	<p><b>Pharaoh’s Dreams</b></p> <p><i>These titles feature characters who have unusual dreams</i></p>	<p><b>Yosef’s Dream</b> Sylvia Rouss – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>Dream Big, Laugh Often</b> Shira Hecht-Koller – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>Just a Dream</b> Chris Van Allsburg – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>Raisins and Almonds: A Yiddish Lullaby</b> Susan Tarcov – ages 5–6</p>
Vayigash	<p><b>Making up for past errors and mistakes/ Repentance (Teshuva) – Judah and his brothers apologize to Joseph for their past treatment of him.</b></p> <p>See Parshat Vayishlach</p> <p><i>These books contain characters who apologize to one another and/or change their ways.</i></p>	<p><b>New Year at the Pier</b> April Halprin Wayland – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>Sam and Charlie (and Sam Too)</b> Leslie Kimmelman – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>Jackie and Jesse and Joni and Jae</b> Chris Barash – ages 5–6</p>
	<p><b>Travelling to a new land – Jacob and his family move to Egypt to be with Joseph.</b></p> <p><i>The characters in these stories must adjust to living in a new place.</i></p>	<p><b>Beautiful Yetta</b> Daniel Pinkwater – ages 3–4</p> <p><b>Gina from Siberia</b> Jane Bernstein and Charlotte Glynn – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>When Jessie Came Across the Sea</b> Amy Hest – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>The Suitcase</b> Chris Naylor-Ballesteros – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>The Sundown Kid</b> Barbara Bietz – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>Pavel and the Tree Army</b> Heidi Smith Hyde – ages 7–8</p>



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Vayigash	<p>Learning to get along with one's siblings and other relatives (Shalom Bayit)</p> <p>See Parshat Toledot and Vayeshev</p>	<p><b>Oy, Feh, So?</b> Cary Fagan - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Shalom Bayit: A Peaceful Home</b> Linda Elovitz Marshall - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Kishka for Koppel</b> Aubrey Davis - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Kopecks for Blintzes</b> Judy Goldman - ages 5-6</p>
Vayechi	<p>Respecting individual differences / Adam Yehidi Nivrah) –Jacob gives separate blessings to each of his children, noting each child's unique strengths and weaknesses.</p> <p><i>The characters in these books cherish their individuality and/or appreciate the individuality of others.</i></p>	<p><b>The Only One Club</b> Jane Naliboff - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Flying High</b> Julian Edelman - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Chik Chak Shabbat</b> Mara Rockliff - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Chicken Soup, Chicken Soup</b> Pamela Mayer - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Stork's Landing</b> Tami Lehman-Wilzig - ages 5-6</p>
Exodus/Shemot		
Shmot	<p><b>Slavery</b></p> <p><i>These titles address the difficulties and unfairness of slavery</i></p>	<p><b>Exodus</b> Brian Wildsmith - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>The Story of Passover</b> David A. Adler - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>The Longest Night</b> Laurel Snyder- ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Nachshon, Who Was Afraid to Swim</b> Deborah Bodin Cohen - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Max and Emma Cross the Red Sea</b> Carl Harris Shuman - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Scarlett and Sam: Escape from Egypt</b> Eric A. Kimmel - ages 7-8</p>
Va'eira	<p><b>The Plagues</b></p> <p>See Parsha Shemot</p>	<p><b>Meet the Matzah</b> Alan Silberberg - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Let My People Go!</b> Tilda Balsley - ages 7-8</p>



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<p><b>Bo</b></p>	<p><b>The Passover Seder – description of the first Passover Seder</b></p> <p><i>These titles depict in-process Passover Seders.</i></p>	<p><b>Company’s Coming</b> Joan Holub – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Alligator Seder</b> Jessica Hickman – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Peek-a-Boo Passover</b> Pamela Mayer – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Kippi and the Missing Matzah</b> Louise Gikow – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>And Then Another Sheep Turned Up</b> Laura Gehl – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Welcoming Elijah</b> Lesléa Newman – ages 5-6</p>
	<p><b>Discussion of matzah and why we eat it</b></p>	<p><b>Hoppy Passover</b> Linda Glaser – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Lotsa Matzah</b> Tilda Balsley – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Matzah Belowstairs</b> Susan Lynn Meyer – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Max Makes a Cake</b> Michelle Edwards – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>A Sweet Passover</b> Lesléa Newman – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Meet the Matzah</b> Alan Silberberg – ages 7-8</p>
<p><b>Beshalach</b></p>	<p><b>Leaving Egypt – The splitting and crossing of the Red Sea</b></p> <p><b>See Parashat Shemot and Va’era</b></p>	<p><b>Dayenu!</b> Miriam Latimer – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Kayla and Kugel’s Almost-Perfect Passover</b> Ann D. Koffsky – ages 2-3</p> <p><b>The World Needs Beautiful Things</b> Leah Berkowitz – ages 5-6</p>
	<p><b>Complaining</b></p> <p><i>Like the Jewish people who complain that they have no food or water, the characters in these books complain bitterly and, at the beginning of each story, fail to appreciate what they have.</i></p>	<p><b>The Tale of Meshka the Kvetch</b> Carol Chapman – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>A Big Quiet House</b> Heather Forest – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>It Could Always be Worse</b> Margot Zemach – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Gitty and Kvetch</b> Caroline Kusin Pritchard – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Oy Vey! Life in a Shoe</b> Bonnie Grubman – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Never Too Quiet</b> Barbara Diamond Goldin – ages 7-8</p>



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<p><b>Yitro</b></p>	<p><b>Sharing jobs and leadership/cooperation – Yitro, Moses’ father-in-law, realizes that it’s impossible for Moses to judge the people by himself and suggests that Moses share the judging with others.</b></p> <p><i>The characters in these books discover the rewards of teamwork and cooperation.</i></p>	<p><b><i>A Mountain of Blintzes</i></b> Barbara Diamond Goldin – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Help-a-Lot Shabbat</i></b> Nancy Cote – ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>Beautiful Yetta</i></b> Daniel Pinkwater – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>The Little Red Hen and the Passover Matzah</i></b> Leslie Kimmelman – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>The Very Best Sukkah: A Story from Uganda</i></b> Shoshana Nambi – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Alone Together on Dan Street</i></b> Erica Lyons – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Five Brave Knights vs. the Dreadful Dragon</i></b> Netalie Gvirtz – ages 5-6</p>
	<p><b>The giving of the Ten Commandments</b></p>	<p><b><i>No Rules for Michael</i></b> Sylvia Rouss – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>The Littlest Mountain</i></b> Barb Rosenstock – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Sadie and the Big Mountain</i></b> Jamie Korngold – ages 3-4</p>
<p><b>Mishpatim</b></p>	<p><b>Caring for the stranger (because you were once strangers in Egypt)</b></p>	<p><b><i>Mishpuchah!</i></b> Barney Saltzberg – ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>How to Be a Mensch by A. Monster</i></b> Leslie Kimmelman – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Bone Button Borscht</i></b> Aubrey Davis – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Passover Guest</i></b> Susan Kusel – ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Emma’s Poem</i></b> Linda Glaser – ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Suitcase</i></b> Chris Naylor-Ballesteros – ages 5-6</p>
	<p><b>Mitzvah of returning lost objects</b></p> <p><i>The characters in these books discover the rewards of teamwork and cooperation.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Found</i></b> Salina Yoon – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Sara Finds a Mitzva</i></b> Rebeka Simhaee – ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Best Friend in the Whole World</i></b> Sandra Salisbury – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>One Little Chicken</i></b> Elka Weber – ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>A Hen for Izzy Pippik</i></b> Aubrey Davis – ages 5-6</p>



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<p><b>Trumah</b></p>	<p><b>Instructions for building the mishkan (portable sanctuary used throughout the Israelites' journey through the desert)</b></p> <p><i>With the exception of The World Needs Beautiful Things (which tells the story of the building of the mishkan), these stories take place in a synagogue, the modern equivalent of the mishkan.</i></p>	<p><b>The World Needs Beautiful Things</b> Leah Berkowitz - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>A Synagogue Just Like Home</b> Alice Blumenthal McGinty - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Ten Old Men and A Mouse</b> Cary Fagan - ages 4-7</p> <p><b>Bagels from Benny</b> Aubrey Davis - ages 5-6</p>
	<p><b>Making contributions to build the mishkan/ Giving tzedakah to support the community</b></p>	<p><b>How Dalia Put a Big Yellow Comforter Inside a Tiny Blue Box</b> Linda Heller - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Noah's Swim-a-thon</b> Ann D. Koffsky - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Goldie Takes A Stand</b> Barbara Krasner - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Judah Touro Didn't Want to Be Famous</b> Audrey Ades - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>What Zeesie Saw on Delancey Street</b> Elsa Okon Rael - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Nicanor's Gate</b> Eric A. Kimmel - ages 7-8</p>
<p><b>Tetzaveh</b></p>	<p><b>Special clothes of the Kohanim</b></p> <p><i>While The Golden Bell describes the Kohen's clothes and The Always Prayer Shawl focuses on a tallit (a special item of clothing that's still worn today to enhance one's prayers), the majority of these books feature characters who, like the Kohanim, deeply value the clothes they wear. The final title, Eat, Coat, Eat explores what happens when a concern for clothes becomes overly excessive.</i></p>	<p><b>The Golden Bell</b> Tamar Sachs - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>The Always Prayer Shawl</b> Sheldon Oberman - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Joseph Had a Little Overcoat</b> Simms Taback - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>My Grandfather's Coat</b> Jim Aylesworth - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Benjy's Blanket</b> Miguel Gouveia - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Something from Nothing</b> Phoebe Gilman - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Eat, Coat, Eat!</b> Ronit Chacham - ages 5-6</p>



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<p><b>Ki Tisa</b></p>	<p><b>Golden Calf/ Making Mistakes</b></p> <p><i>These titles contain characters who make mistakes.</i></p>	<p><b>Never Say a Mean Word Again</b> Jacqueline Jules – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>The Market Wedding</b> Cary Fagan – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>My New Shirt</b> Cary Fagan – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Lenny and Benny</b> Naama Benziman – ages 7-8</p>
<p><b>Vayakhel</b></p>	<p><b>Creativity – Bezalel (and Oholiab and other skilled craftspeople) begin to build the mishkan.</b></p> <p><i>The characters in these books demonstrate creativity, artistry, and unique handicraft talents.</i></p>	<p><b>The World Needs Beautiful Things</b> Leah Berkowitz – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>My Sister Is Sleeping</b> Devora Busheri – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Grandma Rose’s Magic</b> Linda Elovitz Marshall – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Gittel’s Hands</b> Erica Silverman – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Lotty’s Lace Tablecloth</b> Tami Lehman-Wilzig – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Shmulik Paints the Town</b> Lisa Rose – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Shimri’s Big Idea</b> Elka Weber – ages 5-6</p>
<p><b>Pekudei</b></p>	<p><b>Completion of the Mishkan/Sanctuary</b></p> <p><i>Just as the synagogue and mishkan contain special objects to be used during prayer, the home contains special objects (e.g., mezuzah, candlesticks, menorah) to be used for prayer and Jewish rituals.</i></p>	<p><b>A Mezuzah on the Door</b> Amy Meltzer – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>The Shema in the Mezuzah</b> Sandy Eisenberg Sasso – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Mrs. Moskowitz and the Sabbath Candlesticks</b> Amy Schwartz – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>The Eighth Menorah</b> Lauren Wohl – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Nonna’s Hanukkah Surprise</b> Karen Fisman – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Annushka’s Voyage</b> Edith Tarbescu – ages 7-8</p>



# Leviticus/Vayikra

Parsha	Values	PJ Library Titles
Vayikra	<p><b>Gratitude - The sacrifices are offered for many different reasons, including as a means of expressing gratitude for health, well-being, and prosperity and as a way of drawing closer to G-d.</b></p> <p><i>Characters in these books express gratitude for their bodies, their family, wonders of the natural world, good food, and many other things.</i></p>	<p><b>All of Me! A Book of Thanks</b> Molly Bang - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>What a Wonderful World</b> Bob Thiele and George David Weiss - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>All the World</b> Liz Garton Scanlon - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Today</b> Kyra Teis - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Thank You: Modeh Ani</b> Rabbi Alyson Solomon - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Bagels from Benny</b> Aubrey Davis - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Just One More Thing ... and Then Bedtime</b> Menahem Halberstadt - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Give Thanks</b> Naomi Shulman - ages 7-8</p>
Tzav	<p><b>Cleanliness, self-care, and caring for the community - The Kohanim had to bathe and wear special clothes before starting their duties, such as offering sacrifices and making sure the altar flame always burned.</b></p> <p><i>While the first two titles deal with cleanliness and self care, the remaining titles focus on ways that rabbis (like the Kohanim of the past) care for their synagogue and community.</i></p>	<p><b>Hillel Takes a Bath</b> Vicki L. Weber - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Schmutzy Family</b> Madelyn Rosenberg - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>A Synagogue Just Like Home</b> Alice Blumenthal McGinty - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Rabbi Slurps Spaghetti</b> Leslie Kimmelman - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Osnat and Her Dove</b> Sigal Samuel - ages 7-8</p>
Shemini	<b>Laws of Kashrut</b>	<p><b>Baxter, the Pig Who Wanted to Be Kosher</b> Laurel Snyder - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Marven of the Great North Woods</b> Kathryn Lasky - ages 7-8</p>



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<p><b>Tazria</b></p>	<p><b>Recovering from illness/ Caring for the sick</b></p> <p><b>This parsha describes the disease of tzara'at (a skin disease often referred to as leprosy), focusing on how to treat the disease, and what individuals should do as they recover from it.</b></p> <p><i>These titles focus on individuals (and trees and animals) who are ill, and how their family and friends care for them during their illness.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Bear Feels Sick</i></b> Karma Wilson - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Apple and Magnolia</i></b> Laura Gehl - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Cholent Brigade</i></b> Michael Herman - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Sammy Spider's First Mitzvah</i></b> Sylvia Rouss - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>How to Heal a Broken Wing</i></b> Bob Graham - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Mr. Mintz's Blintzes</i></b> Leslie Kimmelman - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>The Bagel King</i></b> Andrew Larsen - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Mr. Tempkin Climbs a Tree</i></b> Cary Fagan - ages 5-6</p>
<p><b>Metzora</b></p>	<p><b>Being careful with one's speech</b></p> <p><b>In this parsha those who speak unkindly of others (lashon hara) are punished with tzara'at (leprosy).</b></p> <p><i>The characters in these books harm themselves or others through their words.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Are We Still Friends?</i></b> Ruth Horowitz - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Gittel's Hands</i></b> Erica Silverman - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Mr. Peabody's Apples</i></b> Madonna - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Gershon's Monster</i></b> Eric A. Kimmel - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>A Sack Full of Feathers</i></b> Debby Waldman - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Tale of Meshka the Kvetch</i></b> Carol Chapman - ages 5-6</p>
<p><b>Acharei Mot</b></p>	<p><b>Laws and customs of Yom Kippur/Importance of apologizing and asking for forgiveness</b></p> <p><b>See Parshat Vayishlach and Vayigash</b></p>	<p><b><i>Sammy Spider's First Yom Kippur</i></b> Sylvia Rouss - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Big Bad Wolf's Yom Kippur</i></b> David Sherrin - ages 5-6</p>



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<b>Kedoshim</b>	<p><b>Love Your Neighbor as Yourself/Extending kindness to others</b></p> <p><b>Many of the numerous laws in this parsha focus on ways of infusing interpersonal relationships with kindness.</b></p> <p><i>These titles highlight ways of offering kindness to others.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Baby Be Kind</i></b> Jane Cowen-Fletcher - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>I Can Help</i></b> David Hyde Costello - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>How to Be a Mensch by A. Monster</i></b> Leslie Kimmelman - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Yaffa and Fatima, Shalom, Salaam</i></b> Fawzia Gilani-Williams - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Do Unto Otters</i></b> Laurie Keller - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Be Kind</i></b> Naomi Shulman - ages 7-8</p>
<b>Emor</b>	<p><b>Holiday descriptions - Passover, Shavuot, Sukkot</b></p> <p><i>Rather than focusing on just one holiday, these titles explore multiple holidays.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Sammy Spider's First Book of Jewish Holidays</i></b> Sylvia Rouss - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>Apples, Apples, All Year Round</i></b> Barbara Bietz and June Sobel - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>Here Is the World</i></b> Lesléa Newman - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Shani's Shoebox</i></b> Rinat Hoffer - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Until the Blueberries Grow</i></b> Jennifer Wolf Kam - ages 5-6</p>
<b>Behar</b>	<p><b>Leaving the corners of the field for the poor/Feeding the hungry</b></p>	<p><b><i>Bagels from Benny</i></b> Aubrey Davis - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Hanukkah Cookies with Sprinkles</i></b> David A. Adler - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Brothers' Promise</i></b> Frances Harber - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Mitzvah Pizza</i></b> Sarah Lynn Scheerger - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Maddi's Fridge</i></b> Lois Brandt - ages 7-8</p>
<b>Bechukotai</b>	<p><b>Rewards for doing mitzvot</b></p> <p><i>When the characters in these books perform mitzvot, they feel happy and receive praise.</i></p>	<p><b><i>The Mitzvah Magician</i></b> Linda Elovitz Marshall - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Hanna's Sabbath Dress: An Israeli Folktale</i></b> Itzhak Schweiger-Dmi'el - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>One Good Deed</i></b> Terri Fields - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Rosie Saves the World</i></b> Debbie Herman - ages 7-8</p>



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Bechukotai	<p>When people follow mitzvot they frequently receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The blessing of rain and/or</li> <li>• The blessing of a good harvest</li> </ul> <p><i>These titles celebrate the arrival of rain and/or a bountiful harvest.</i></p>	<p><b>Harvest Blessings</b> Amy Meltzer - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>First Rain</b> Charlotte Herman - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Fast Asleep in a Little Village in Israel</b> Jennifer Tzivia MacLeod - ages 4-5</p> <p><b>Maya Prays for Rain</b> Susan Tarcov - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>A Rainy Day Story</b> Ruth Calderon - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Brothers' Promise</b> Frances Harber - ages 5-6</p>

## Numbers/Bamidbar

Bamidbar	<p>The Hebrew word <b>Bamidbar</b> means "in the desert."</p> <p><i>These stories all take place in the desert.</i></p>	<p><b>New Month, New Moon</b> Allison Ofanansky - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Saliman and the Memory Stone</b> Erica Lyons - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Yuvi's Candy Tree</b> Lesley Simpson - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Barefoot in the Sand</b> Hava Deevon - ages 5-6</p>
Naso	<p>The Blessing of the Kohanim - The Kohanim's blessing is the same blessing that parents recite over their children on Friday nights.</p> <p><i>One or more scenes in these books depict a parent or grandparent blessing a child.</i></p>	<p><b>Buen Shabat, Shabbat Shalom</b> Sarah Aroeste - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Shabbat Shalom</b> Vicki L. Weber - ages 0-2</p> <p><b>The Always Prayer Shawl</b> Sheldon Oberman - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Rebecca's Journey Home</b> Brynn Olenberg Sugarman - ages 6-7</p>
Be'halot'cha	<p>Complaining, ingratitude, not appreciating what one has</p> <p>See Parsha Beshalach</p> <p><i>Like B'nai Yisroel who complain about a lack of meat and a monotonous diet of manna, the characters in these books complain about their lives, thinking things must be better somewhere else.</i></p>	<p><b>The Little, Little House</b> Jessica Souhami - ages 3-4</p> <p><b>Chicken Man</b> Michelle Edwards - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Lemuel the Fool</b> Myron Uhlberg - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Shlemazel and the Remarkable Spoon of Pohost</b> Ann Redisch Stamper - ages 7-8</p>



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<p><b>Shlach</b></p>	<p><b>Travelling to a new, unknown place – Worried about what the land of Israel will be like, the Jewish people send spies to scout out their new home.</b></p> <p><b>See Parshat Lech Lecha and Vayigash</b></p> <p><i>Characters in these books travel to a new place, feel anxious, and take actions to quiet their fears.</i></p>	<p><b>Saliman and the Memory Stone</b> Erica Lyons – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>All the Lights in the Night</b> Arthur A. Levine – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>The Memory Coat</b> Elvira Woodruff – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>Gittel’s Journey</b> Lesléa Newman – ages 7–8</p>
<p><b>Korach</b></p>	<p><b>Arguments, fighting, not getting along</b></p> <p><b>See Parshat Toledot and Vayeshev</b></p> <p><i>These titles feature friends and neighbors who argue, fight, and view one another with suspicion and fear.</i></p>	<p><b>Snow in Jerusalem</b> Deborah da Costa – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>House on the Roof</b> David A. Adler – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>Joseph and the Sabbath Fish</b> Eric A. Kimmel – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>In the Market of Zakrobat</b> Ori Elon – ages 7–8</p>
<p><b>Chukat</b></p>	<p><b>Controlling Anger</b></p> <p><b>In this parsha, an angry Moses hits the rock instead of quietly speaking to it as he asks it for water. As punishment for his inability to control his anger, Moses is forbidden from entering Israel.</b></p> <p><i>Like Moses, the characters in these books have trouble controlling their anger, which often leads to unhappiness, sadness, and trouble. (When the characters are able to rein in their anger, they feel much better.)</i></p>	<p><b>Are We Still Friends?</b> Ruth Horowitz – ages 3–4</p> <p><b>Snow in Jerusalem</b> Deborah da Costa – ages 5–6</p> <p><b>Lenny and Benny</b> Naama Benziman – ages 7–8</p> <p><b>Not for All the Hamantaschen in Town</b> Laura Aron Milhander – ages 6–7</p>



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<p><b>Balak</b></p>	<p>Talking animals, doing the right thing - Balaam's donkey speaks to Balaam, refusing to go forward and preventing Balaam from cursing the Jewish people.</p> <p><i>Like Balaam's donkey, the animals in these books strive to do "the right thing"</i></p>	<p><b><i>Dream Big, Laugh Often</i></b> Shira Hecht-Koller - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Hardest Word</i></b> Jacqueline Jules - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Ziz and the Hanukkah Miracle</i></b> Jacqueline Jules - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Big Bad Wolf's Yom Kippur</i></b> David Sherrin - ages 5-6</p>
<p><b>Pinchas</b></p>	<p>Standing up for what's right - Zelophod's daughters protest the unfair inheritance rules that ignore women and deprive them of the rights to their father's land.</p> <p><i>These titles contain strong, independent girls and women who fight for what's right and demand justice.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Brave Girl</i></b> Michelle Markel - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Goldie Takes a Stand</i></b> Barbara Krasner - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>I Dissent</i></b> Debbie Levy - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Esther Didn't Dream of Being Queen</i></b> Allison Ofanansky - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>You Are a Star, Ruth Bader Ginsburg</i></b> Dean Robbins - ages 7-8</p>
<p><b>Matot-Masei</b></p>	<p>Journeys, travels, trips</p> <p>This parsha reviews the travels of the Israelites, recording all of the places where they camped during their journey from Egypt to Israel.</p> <p>See Parshat Lech Lecha, Vayigash, and Shelach</p> <p><i>Like the Israelites, the characters in these books embark on long journeys.</i></p>	<p><b><i>The Key from Spain: Flory Jagoda and Her Music</i></b> Debbie Levy - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Tia Fortuna's New Home</i></b> Ruth Behar - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Blessing Cup</i></b> Patricia Polacco - ages 7-8</p>



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Matot-Masei	<p>Siblings helping one another/Shalom Bayit – Peace in the Home</p> <p>Instead of settling in Israel, the tribes of Reuven and Gad (and half of the tribe of Menashe) decide to stay in the Jordan Valley where the land is good for their sheep. Before establishing their homes outside of Israel, they first help the other tribes settle into the land of Israel.</p>	<p><b>All the Lights in the Night</b> Arthur A. Levine – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>A Mountain of Blintzes</b> Barbara Diamond Goldin – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>A Song for My Sister</b> Lesley Simpson – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>How Dalia Put a Yellow Comforter Inside a Small Blue Box</b> Linda Heller – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Brothers' Promise</b> Frances Harber – ages 5-6</p>
Deuteronomy/Devarim		
Devarim	<p>Judging carefully, listening and making good decisions. Not prejudging or jumping to hasty conclusions.</p> <p><i>Each of these books contains someone who listens carefully and makes a wise decision. But Perhaps, Just Maybe features a character who judges too hastily, consistently drawing the wrong conclusions.</i></p>	<p><b>The Little, Little House</b> Jessica Souhami – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>The Magic Pomegranate</b> Peninnah Schram – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Peddler and the Baker</b> Yael Molchadsky – ages 7-8</p> <p><b>The House on the Roof</b> David A. Adler – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>But Perhaps, Just Maybe ...</b> Tuvia Dikman Oro – ages 5-6</p>
V'etchanan	The Shema	<p><b>Goodnight Sh'ma</b> Jacqueline Jules – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>The Bedtime Sh'ma</b> Sarah Gershman – ages 0-2</p> <p><b>Listen Sh'ma</b> Rabbi Alyson Solomon – ages 3-4</p> <p><b>The Shema in the Mezuzah</b> Sandy Eisenberg Sasso – ages 5-6</p> <p><b>A Mezuzah on the Door</b> Amy Meltzer – ages 3-4</p>



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V'etchanan	Loving G-d	<b>Bagels from Benny</b> Aubrey Davis - ages 5-6
Ekev	<b>Manna/Thanking G-d, expressing gratitude for food.</b>  <i>Exodus describes the giving of manna, while the other titles include scenes that focus on giving thanks for food.</i>	<b>Exodus</b> Brian Wildsmith - ages 7-8 <b>Harvest Blessings</b> Amy Meltzer - ages 0-2 <b>Boker Tov! Good Morning!</b> Rabbi Joe Black - ages 0-2 <b>Bagels from Benny</b> Aubrey Davis - ages 5-6 <b>Mister Lister</b> Judith Pransky - ages 7-8
Re'eh	<b>Giving to those in need - "If there is a needy person among you ... do not harden your heart or shut your hand ... Rather you must open your hand and lend what is in need." Re'eh 15:7-8</b> <b>See Parsha Terumah</b>	<b>Bim and Bom: A Shabbat Tale</b> Daniel J. Swartz - ages 3-4 <b>Even Higher</b> Eric Kimmel - ages 7-8 <b>Even Higher</b> Richard Ungar - ages 7-8 <b>Latkes, Latkes, Good to Eat</b> Naomi Howland - ages 3-4
	<b>Review of the Three Pilgrimage Holidays</b>  <b>See Parsha Emor</b>	<b>Vanishing Gourds: A Sukkot Mystery</b> Susan Axe-Bronk - ages 5-6 <b>Tikvah Means Hope (Sukkot)</b> Patricia Polacco - ages 7-8 <b>More Than Enough (Passover)</b> April Halprin Wayland - ages 3-4 <b>Company's Coming (Passover)</b> Joan Holub - ages 0-2 <b>First Fruits</b> Amalia Hoffman - ages 0-2 <b>The Art Lesson: A Shavuot Story</b> Allison and Wayne Marks - ages 0-2
Shoftim	<b>Rules for choosing a king</b>  <i>These titles focus on a king (King David or King Solomon).</i>	<b>King Solomon and the Bee</b> Dalia Hardof Renberg - ages 3-4 <b>King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba</b> Blu Greenberg and Linda Tarry - ages 7-8 <b>King David and Akavish the Spider</b> Sylvia Rouss - ages 7-8 <b>The Giant, the Slingshot, and the Future King</b> Tammar Stein - ages 7-8



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Shoftim	<p><b>Protecting trees, not destroying trees when one enters a city during war</b></p> <p><i>These titles highlight ways to care for and express gratitude towards trees.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Pearl Moskowitz's Last Stand</i></b> Arthur A. Levine - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Dear Tree</i></b> Doba Weber - ages 3-4</p> <p><b><i>Thank You, Trees!</i></b> Gail Langer Karwoski and Marilyn E. Gootman - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>Apple and Magnolia</i></b> Laura Gehl - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Trees Make Perfect Pets</i></b> Paul Czajak - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Netta and Her Plant</i></b> Ellie B. Gellman - ages 5-6</p>
Ki Tetzei	<p><b>Returning lost objects</b></p> <p><b>See Parsha Mishpatim</b></p>	<p><b><i>Hanukkah Hamster</i></b> Michelle Markel - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>The Parakeet Named Dreidel</i></b> Isaac Bashevis Singer - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Golden Bell</i></b> Tamar Sachs - ages 7-8</p>
	<p><b>Feeding the hungry - leaving gleanings in the fields for the poor</b></p> <p><b>See Parsha Behar</b></p>	<p><b><i>That's a Mitzvah</i></b> Diane Heiman and Liz Suneby - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>It's a ... It's a ... It's a Mitzvah</i></b> Diane Heiman and Liz Suneby - ages 5-6</p> <p><b><i>Bim and Bom: A Shabbat Tale</i></b> Daniel J. Swartz - ages 3-4</p>
Ki Tavo	<p><b>Bringing first fruits to the Temple, giving tzedakah, and being generous</b></p> <p><b>See Parsha Terumah</b></p> <p><i>The characters in these books model generosity.</i></p>	<p><b><i>First Fruits</i></b> Amalia Hoffman - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>26 Big Things Small Hands Do</i></b> Coleen Paratore - ages 0-2</p> <p><b><i>One Good Deed</i></b> Terri Fields - ages 5-6</p>
Nitzavim	<p><b>Agreeing to follow G-d's ways and "choose life," continuing to practice Judaism even when it's difficult to do so.</b></p> <p><i>These titles feature people who practice Judaism despite great difficulties.</i></p>	<p><b><i>Raquela's Seder</i></b> Joel Edward Stein - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Key from Spain: Flora Jagoda and Her Music</i></b> Debbie Levy - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>Hank on First!</i></b> Stephen Krensky - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!</i></b> Jonah Winter - ages 7-8</p> <p><b><i>The Sabbath Lion</i></b> Howard Schwartz - ages 7-8</p>



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Vayelech	<p><b>Passing on leadership - Moses appoints Joshua to be the leader of the Jewish people.</b></p> <p><i>These books are about taking on new responsibilities and helping or leading in a new way.</i></p>	<p><b>The Forever Garden</b> Laurel Snyder - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>The Chocolate King</b> Michael Leventhal - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Esther Didn't Dream of Being Queen</b> Allison Ofanansky - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>A Persian Princess</b> Barbara Diamond Golden - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Goldie Takes a Stand</b> Barbara Krasner - ages 7-8</p>
Ha'azinu	<p><b>Importance of remembering history and teaching Torah to others</b></p> <p><i>These titles focus on Rabbis who love studying Torah and teaching it to others.</i></p>	<p><b>The Donkey and the Garden</b> Devora Busheri - ages 5-6</p> <p><b>Signs in the Well</b> Shoham Smith - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>Osnat and Her Dove</b> Sigal Samuel - ages 7-8</p> <p><b>The Rabbi Slurps Spaghetti</b> Leslie Kimmelman - ages 5-6</p>
V'Zot HaBracham	<p><b>Moses' death - Jews preparing to enter Israel</b></p> <p><b>See Parshat Lech Lecha, Vayigash, Shelach</b></p> <p><i>These books feature people who travel to Israel to make a new home there.</i></p>	<p><b>The Language of Angels</b> Richard Michelson - ages 7-8</p>