



JKG Sunday - Middle School Year 1 Curriculum

All students at JKG will learn about the following topics in tons of different ways. JKG lessons are **experiential, action-packed, and content-rich**. We have energetic teachers and a joyful Jewish curriculum.

Jewish Values & Community Service - *Care about the world through a Jewish lens*

- Welcoming Guests (*Hachnasat Orchim*)
- Respecting Differences and Inclusivity (*Lifnei Aver*)
- Charity (*Tzedakah*)
- Peace in the Home (*Shalom Bayit*)
- Created in G-d's Image (*Betzelem Elohim*)
- Guarding Our Health (*Shmirat Ha'briyut*)
- Feeding the Hungry (*Peah, Leket, Shich'chah*)
- Caring for the Environment/Do Not Destroy (*Ba'al Tashchit*)
- Repair the World and Good Deeds (*Tikkun Olam and Mitzvot*)

Culture & Identity - *Discover the best parts of being Jewish*

- Jewish Pop Culture Figures
- Team and Community Building
- Community Service Trips
- B'nei Mitzvahs

Torah Stories & Prayers - *Relate Torah stories and prayers to our own lives*

- Matriarchs and Patriarchs (Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah; Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob)
- Jacob and Esau
- Introduction to Blessings
- Shema, Shehecheyanu, and Shabbat Blessings

Holidays - *Celebrate holidays in ridiculously cool ways*

- Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Simchat Torah, Hanukkah, Tu B'Shvat, Purim, Passover, Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israeli Independence Day) Shavuot, Lag B'Omer, Shabbat, and Havdalah

Jewish History - *Explore where our people came from*

- Founding of Israel and the Kibbutz Movement
- Israeli Cities, Life, and Important Figures
- The Kings of Israel
- Jews in the Diaspora
- Ashkenazi, Sephardi, Mizrahi, and Ethiopian Jews
- The Holocaust
- Early Jewish Life in America

Hebrew - *Move and groove to Hebrew songs and games*

- Learn Hebrew vocabulary and decoding through experiential activities

The best way to see what your kids are doing at JKG is by reading our weekly blog. Check it out at jewishkidsgroups.com/sunday-blog. Have more questions about our curriculum? Contact Neshama Littman, JKG Sunday Families Director, at Sunday@jewishkidsgroups.com or (404) 403-6468.