

TEXT SET COMPANION FOR UNTIL THE BLUEBERRIES GROW

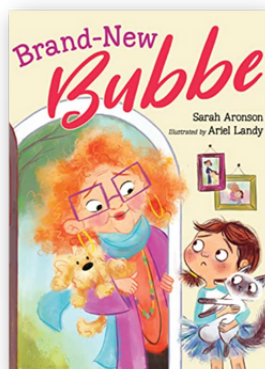
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Fiction Pairings for UNTIL THE BLUEBERRIES GROW



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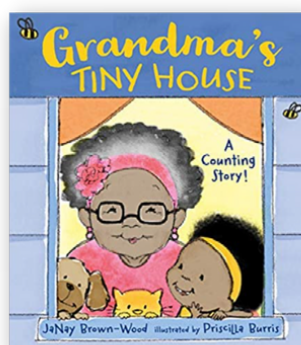
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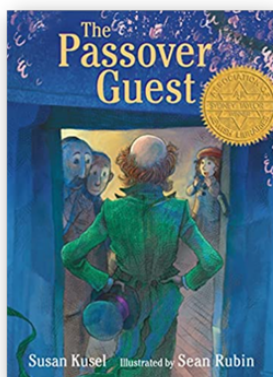
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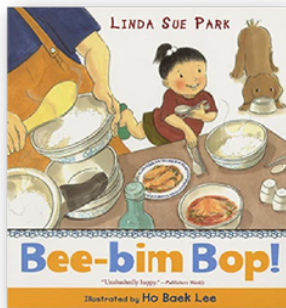


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TEXT SET COMPANION BOOKS ABOUT COOKING

Do you like to cook? Experiment in the kitchen? Try new foods? In *Until the Blueberries Grow*, Ben's Zayde/Grandfather makes homemade jam for Ben's sandwiches. The book even includes a delicious blueberry jam recipe! Enjoy the following books for more culinary adventures!



Bee-Bim Bop! by Linda Sue Park

A Korean American girl celebrates food and family in this cheerful board book about cooking a special meal by Newbery Medalist Linda Sue Park.



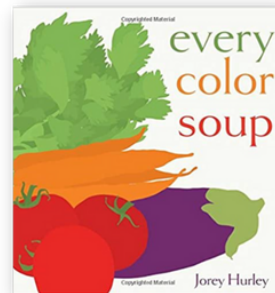
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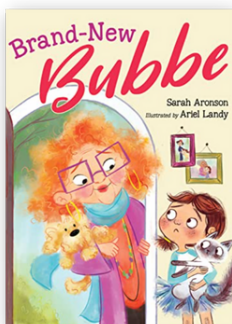
Applesauce Day by Lisa J. Amstutz

From tree to table, this story shows how one family comes together to make applesauce. Applesauce Day is here!



Every Color Soup by Jorey Hurley

Purple, yellow, orange, and red. Just the right mix of colored vegetables make a delicious soup in this tasty introduction to colors, counting, and veggies.



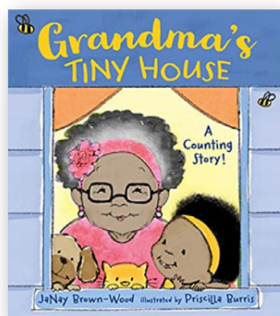
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TEXT SET COMPANION BOOKS ABOUT KINDNESS

Kindness brings us closer together. Both Ben and (his) Zayde/Grandpa show kindness to one another and to the earth in *Until the Blueberries Grow*. The following books also offer suggestions for making a positive impact on the world through kindness.



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***Letters to Live By: An Alphabet Book with Intention* by Lisa Frenkel Riddiough**

A social-emotional concept picture book that teaches readers the power of setting intentions and embracing mindfulness in our everyday.



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***Be Kind (Be Kind, 1)* by Pat Zietlow Miller**

From asking the new girl to play to standing up for someone being bullied, this moving story explores what kindness is, and how any act, big or small, can make a difference—or at least help a friend.

With a gentle text from the award-winning author of *Sophie's Squash*, Pat Zietlow Miller, and irresistible art from Jen Hill, *Be Kind* is an unforgettable story about how two simple words can change the world.



TEXT SET COMPANION FOR ABOUT GRANDPARENTS

Grandparents are special people. They come in many shapes and sizes and from all over the world. Ben and Zayde/Grandpa have a beautiful relationship and enjoy rich and rewarding experiences together. Pair the following books with *Until the Blueberries Grow* to enjoy more loving grandparent/grandchild stories.



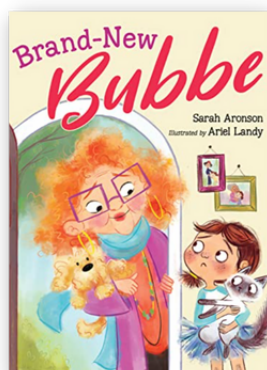
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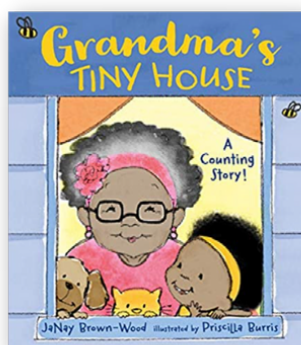
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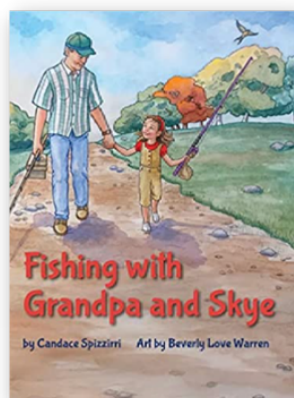
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My First Jewish Baby Book: Almost everything you need to know about being Jewish—from Afikomen to Zayde by Julie Merberg

This irresistible board book gives little ones an alphabetical introduction to Judaism—the delicious foods, meaningful rituals, lively holidays, expressive language.

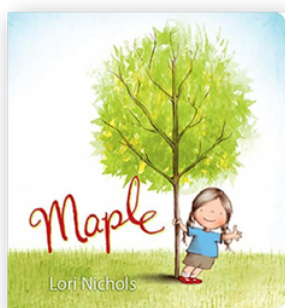


Fishing with Grandpa and Skye by Candace Spizzirri

Days on the lake are a Skye and Grandpa thing. This book explores the rewards of patience and celebrates the love between generations.

TEXT SET COMPANION ABOUT GARDENING

Do you like to garden? Do you have a green thumb or are you just getting started? In *Until the Blueberries Grow*, Zayde/Grandpa has a beautiful garden filled with fruit, flowers, and tall trees. Budding gardeners will enjoy the following books.



Maple by Lori Nichols

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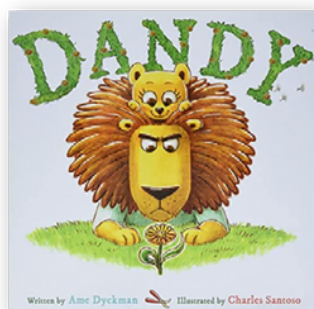
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This story tells the story of the changes Netta encounters as she grows up, getting a new baby sister, and preparing for her first day at her new school, each stage of her life mirrored by her growing plant.



Dandy by Ame Dyckman

From popular author Ame Dyckman and rising star Charles Santoso comes the laugh-out-loud story of a father desperate to destroy the dandelion marring his perfectly manicured lawn, and his daughter's fierce attempts to save it.



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TEXT SET COMPANION ABOUT TU B'SHEVAT

Tu B'Shevat is the Jewish celebration of trees. In *Until the Blueberries Grow*, there are many beautiful trees in Zayde/Grandpa's garden. The following books also celebrate the importance of trees.



Happy Birthday, Tree!: A Tu B'Shevat Story by Madelyn Rosenberg

Tu B'Shevat is a Jewish holiday known as "New Year for Trees" or "Birthday of the Trees," a day that celebrates trees and taking care of our environment.



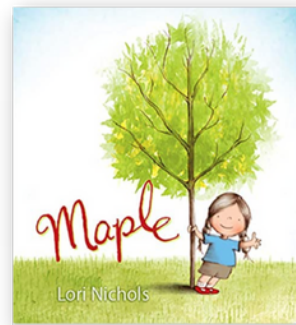
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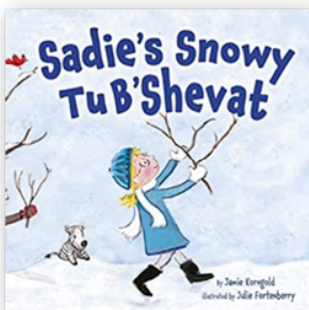
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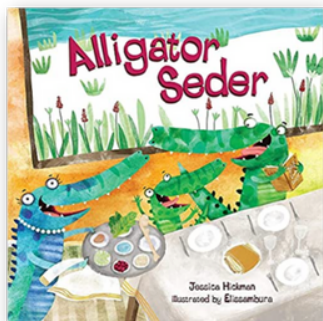
Sadie's Snowy Tu B'Shevat by Jamie Korngold

Sadie wants to plant a tree for Tu B'Shevat, but her parents and grandfather assure her that a tree can't take root in the frozen ground. With help from brother Ori and Grandma, Sadie learns why the tree-planting holiday is celebrated in winter and finds her own special ways to celebrate it.



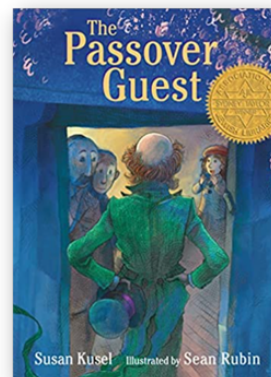
TEXT SET COMPANION BOOKS ABOUT PASSOVER

During Passover, families enjoy a seder meal together. In *Until the Blueberries Grow*, Ben and Zayde have a seder, and afterwards, Ben finds the afikomen! Enjoy the following books as part of your Passover celebration.



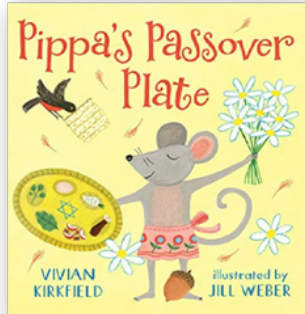
Alligator Seder by Jessica Hickman

They look for bits of chametz. They're good investigators. They're really just like you and me— except they're ALLIGATORS. A whimsical alligator family celebrates Passover.



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Izzy the Whiz and Passover McClean by Yael Mermelstein

Izzy the Whiz is an amateur inventor who, right before Passover, creates a super duper machine that whirs and purrs and munches and crunches – but not without creating havoc along the way.



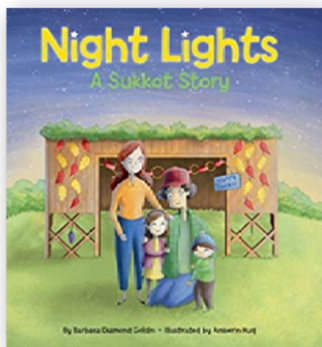
Welcoming Elijah: A Passover Tale with a Tail by Leslea Newman

Winner of the Sydney Taylor Book Award and the National Jewish Book Award, *Welcoming Elijah* by celebrated author Lesléa Newman, unites a young boy and a stray kitten in a warm, lyrical story about Passover, family, and friendship.



TEXT SET COMPANION BOOKS ABOUT SUKKOT

During Sukkot, which takes place in the autumn, families build a temporary hut where they gather together and eat their meals. Ben and Zayde drape their Sukkah with grapes in the book, *Until the Blueberries Grow*. Include the following books as part of your celebration of Sukkot.



Night Lights: A Sukkot Story by Barbara Diamond Goldin

Daniel's sister is excited to sleep outside in the family's sukkah but he's a little nervous. She explains how to be brave like their Jewish ancestors when they slept in desert huts during the festival of Sukkot.



Shanghai Sukkah by Heidi Smith Hyde

Fleeing the Holocaust in Europe, Marcus doubts this unfamiliar city will ever feel like home. But with help from his new friend Liang, and the answers to a rabbi's riddle, Marcus sets out to build a unique sukkah in time for the harvest festival of Sukkot.



The Elephant in the Sukkah by Sherri Mandell

Henry the Elephant loves to sing, so when he hears a family singing in their sukkah, he is excited to join in. There's just one problem: the sukkah is too small for Henry. The solution they come up with is nothing short of Talmudic.



The Best Sukkot Pumpkin Ever by Laya Steinberg

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Chanukah is also known as the Jewish Festival of Lights. The chanukkiah is lit and families sing songs and enjoy delicious treats. Ben and Zayde eat traditional jelly donuts as they light their chanukkiah. The following books are wonderful companions to *Until the Blueberries Grow* as part of your Chanukah celebration.



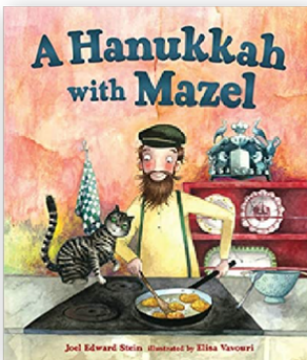
Meet the Latkes by Alan Silberberg

Lucy Latke's family is just like yours or mine. Except that they're potato pancakes. And also, they are completely clueless. It's up to the Latke family dog to set the record straight.



Hanukkah Hamster by Michelle Markel

As Edgar starts his Hanukkah observance, with no family nearby to share in it, the little hamster becomes more than a casual companion to the lonely man. But what happens when Chickpea's owner is found?



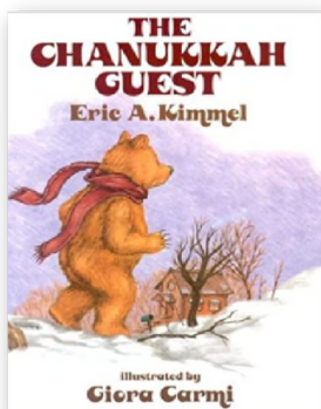
A Hanukkah with Mazel by Joel Edward Stein

Misha has no one to celebrate Hanukkah with until he discovers a hungry cat in his barn. He doesn't have money for Hanukkah candles, but he can use his artistic skills to bring light to his home—as Mazel brings good luck to his life.



Hershel and the Hanukkah Goblins by Eric A. Kimmel

The classic Hanukkah tale, shared by families all around the world-- now available in a beautiful anniversary edition. A Caldecott Honor book. An original tale featuring a traditional Jewish folk hero, this clever story, which received a Sydney Taylor Honor, has been a family favorite for decades.



The Chanukkah Guest by Eric A. Kimmel

Elderly Bubba Brayna is honored to serve the rabbi her renowned potatoe latkes, but when a bear shows up on the first night of Chanukkah instead of the rabbi, the nearly blind and deaf old woman does not notice the difference.