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# How Do Dinosaurs Say Happy Chanukah?





## Synopsis

With more than 9 million books in print, America's favorite dinosaurs can't wait to celebrate Chanukah!From the warm glow of holiday candles in the menorah to the fun of family gatherings, little dinosaurs love to celebrate the Festival of Lights. But sometimes the excitement of Chanukah, its treasured rituals, and the tradition of gifts can tempt a youngster to misbehave. . . .Come along on a joyful romp filled with tumbling dreidels and melting gelt as America's favorite prehistoric pals spread a little mischief this season. Children will laugh out loud as dinosaurs fidget, fuss, and stomp through every occasion, while their human parents shift from shock to weary patience.Filled with warmth and cheer, this new book by the bestselling team of Jane Yolen and Mark Teague makes a perfect gift to be read again and again, year after year. How do dinosaurs say Happy Chanukah? The same way they say Merry Christmas: With an abundance of love, joy, memory, and gratitude.

### **Book Information**

Lexile Measure: 570 (What's this?) Series: How Do Dinosaurs... Hardcover: 40 pages Publisher: The Blue Sky Press (September 1, 2012) Language: English ISBN-10: 0545416779 ISBN-13: 978-0545416771 Product Dimensions: 0.5 x 9.5 x 12.2 inches Shipping Weight: 1.1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (24 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #410,415 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #65 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Jewish #627 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction > Poetry > Stories In Verse #655 in Books > Children's Books > Animals > Dinosaurs

## **Customer Reviews**

I love Jane Yolen's Dinosaur books because they not only teach behavior expectations but give non-examples as well. My classroom has a large well-used bin of them. I celebrate Hanuka but most of my students don't. This book gives the essentials of the holiday in a fun, engaging way. I also bought the Xmas book so my students can teach me about their holiday. I find asking a pouting/angry child "Does a dinosaur pout/stamp about?" helps them change their behavior gracefully. Read these, even to older children. Since the first book in 2000 the 'How Do Dinosaurs Say ...?' series has been very popular. In 2012 two new books are being added to the others in the series and they should both be great fun for readers of all ages. Across the series more than 14 million books have been sold and brought together laughter, learning and fun to children around the world. The first part of the book is a series of questions about what a dinosaur should not do while celebrating this Jewish feast. The second half of the story is what a good dinosaur should do to observe the holiday. The oversized picture books are filled with amazing illustrations, and brightly colored dinosaurs of all shapes and sizes; in fact every 2-page spread has a different dinosaur. Yolen and Teague have done a great job with the book and we look forward to reading more of them together as a family.

Cute book but why are all the dinosaurs boys? I actually had to go through and change a bunch of masculine pronouns to feminine with a sharpy. How could a female author not realize that 1. girls can like dinosaurs too and 2. it might benefit boys to not think all dinosaurs are male.

This is a really great Chanukah book for children ages 2-6 years old & all adults. Through funny examples, it shows kids that they shouldn't act as the dinosaur and act up with Chanukah lights, fidget and fuss through the candlelight prayer, blow out the candles when no one is there, search for presents hidden in the house. Kids will want to be like the good dinosaur who wishes bubbe and zayde a good Chanukah and clears dishes after the latkes have been finished. I loved the pictures in the book and so did all the children who read it with me. I find something else to laugh about each time that I read the book. This book is definitely a winner and the perfect Chanukah present for any young child.

Those fabulous dinosaurs obviously come from a multicultural home, since this year the celebrated author and illustrator team have released both a Christmas and Chanukah title featuring the adorable dinosaurs of How do Dinosaurs Say Good Night? and so many other beloved picture books and board books. Toddlers and preschoolers will surely giggle to see their favorite dinosaurs being mischievous and squeezing the Chanukah gelt (chocolate coins), fidgeting during prayers, and more. Of course they eventually learn the proper way to behave, and how to enjoy the holiday as well. This is a great one to read aloud to younger children, or to purchase as a Hanukkah gift.

bought a couple of these for nephews at Hanukkah & was disappointed. So excited for theme, but

execution was not great. Could be a holiday favorite, but fear weak story & so so illustrations will sink this book.

My 2.5 year old daughter loves this book. It came this week in the mail from P.J. Library, and she wants to read it several times a day - at least twice each sitting! It has a fantastic message, and it would definitely appeal to boys just as well as girls. Very cute book.

A hilarious story for kids 3-8 years old about Chanukah. Your children will shout, "No!" to the dinosaurs' naughty antics in the first half of the book, and learn about correct practices on Chanukah in the second half. The illustrations are marvelous, with marvelously expressive faces on the human characters. My only concern is that my 3 y o complained that she thought the dinosaurs were too scary at bedtime (although okay during the day ;).

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