

Ramah Hanukkah Challenge

Quiz Answer Sheet

1. On what day does Hanukkah begin every year?

- December 8th
- The 2nd Saturday of December
- The 25th of Kislev
- The 17th of Kislev

2. How many blessings do we say the first night of Hanukkah

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

3. Who was the father of Judah the Maccabee?

- Jethro
- Mattathias
- Mattisyaho
- Samson

4. What letter on the dreidel is different on an Israeli dreidel?

- Pey
- Samech
- Hey
- Gimmel

Note: We realized this question was poorly worded. In Israel a dreidel has a Pey instead of a Samech. This changes the acronym of the letter on the dreidel to mean “a great miracle happened *here* (po)” instead of *there* (sham). So both Pey and Samech were accepted as correct answers.

5. Which rabbinic work contains the story of the miraculous jar of oil that burned for eight days?

- The Talmud
- Book of Daniel
- Book of Esther
- Rashi's responsum

6. How many brothers did Judah Maccabee have?

- 0
- 2
- 4
- 5

7. The paragraph beginning "Al Hanissim" is added to:

- A. Shema
- B. Amidah
- C. Birkat Hamazon
- D. B & C
- E. None of the above

12. What does "Maoz Tzur" (in the Hanukkah song) literally mean?

- Holy Oil
- Rocky Fortress
- Restored Temple
- Jelly Donut