

Join Farmer Kobi and his Animal Friends

What's it about?

Come join Farmer Kobi and his animals for a hilarious Hanukkah dinner. Kobi's well-mannered goats, donkey, and sheep know just how to play host, and they give Polly, Kobi's Hanukkah guest, a gracious welcome. But when Polly isn't sure animals belong in a house, what will happen next? Find out with laugh-out-loud pictures and puns that are sure to entertain all readers. As donkey says: Hee-Haw-Yahoo!



What can my students learn from the story?

Farmer Kobi's Hanukkah Match is a great way to introduce the following to your students:

- The symbols of Hanukkah: menorah, dreidel, songs, latkes, sufganiyot
- Kibbutz life in Israel
- The Jewish value of *tza'ar ba'alei chayim (compassion towards animals)*
- The Jewish value of *hachnassat orchim (welcoming guests)*

Discussion Questions

- Do you think Farmer Kobi's animals were good hosts? What did they do to make Polly and Ruthie feel welcome?
- What can you do to help guests feel comfortable in your home? Your school?
- What are some ways that you can be kind to animals in your own life?

Suggested Activities

- Ask students to role play, and act out ways to be a good play-date or guest, and how to welcome a play-date and be a good host.
- Sing a "Farmer Kobi" version of *Old Macdonald Had A Farm*. In addition to the animals, you can add the Hanukkah objects:

And on that farm there was a:

Dreidel, with a spin spin here... Latke, with a yum yum here... Menorah, with a crackle, crackle here...



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