

Do the preparation task first. Then read the article about Hanukkah and do the exercises.

### Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–f next to the numbers 1–6.

- |                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| 1..... a doughnut       | a. a long thing made of wax that can burn and give out light                              |
| 2..... a candle         | b. a sweet, round, fried food   |
| 3..... a greetings card | c. a toy that can spin around very fast   |
| 4..... a spinning top   | d. a type of food made from milk (e.g. cheese, butter)                                    |
| 5..... dairy food       | e. an old Jewish language   |
| 6..... Yiddish          | f. a piece of paper with pictures and a message; you give it to somebody on a special day |

### 1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

- |  |             |              |
|--|-------------|--------------|
| 1. Hanukkah is eight days long.  | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. Hanukkah is celebrated in December every year.                                | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. Jewish people light candles at night-time during Hanukkah.                    | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. In London you can see symbols for Christmas and Hanukkah in Trafalgar Square. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. Playing with the driedel is a traditional Christmas game.                     | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. Latkes are a type of doughnut.  | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 7. It is traditional to eat food cooked in oil at Hanukkah.                      | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 8. People give gifts and cards at Hanukkah.                                      | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

## 2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the sentences with words from the box.

greetings cards	Lights	November	doughnuts
Christmas tree	four	games	nine

- The Jewish Festival of \_\_\_\_\_ is called Hanukkah.
- Hanukkah is usually celebrated in \_\_\_\_\_ or December.
- A Hanukkah menorah, or hanukkiah, usually has \_\_\_\_\_ candles.
- There is a \_\_\_\_\_ and a Hanukkah menorah every year in Trafalgar Square in London.
- A dreidel has \_\_\_\_\_ sides.
- People play \_\_\_\_\_ with a dreidel at Hanukkah.
- Jam-filled \_\_\_\_\_ are eaten at Hanukkah.
- You can buy online Hanukkah \_\_\_\_\_.

## 3. Check your grammar: prepositions – multiple choice

Circle the best preposition to complete these sentences.

- Hanukkah lasts **for / in / at** eight days.
- The Jewish Festival of Lights is usually celebrated **in / on / at** November or December.
- The candles are lit **in / at / on** night-time.
- Trafalgar Square is **on / in / at** London.
- A dreidel has Hebrew letters **on / in / for** each of its sides.
- Cheese and cheesecake are also traditionally eaten **on / at / by** Hanukkah.
- People often give presents **to / in / on** family and friends.
- Children get chocolate coins wrapped **in / by / on** gold foil.

### Discussion

Do people celebrate Hanukkah where you live?