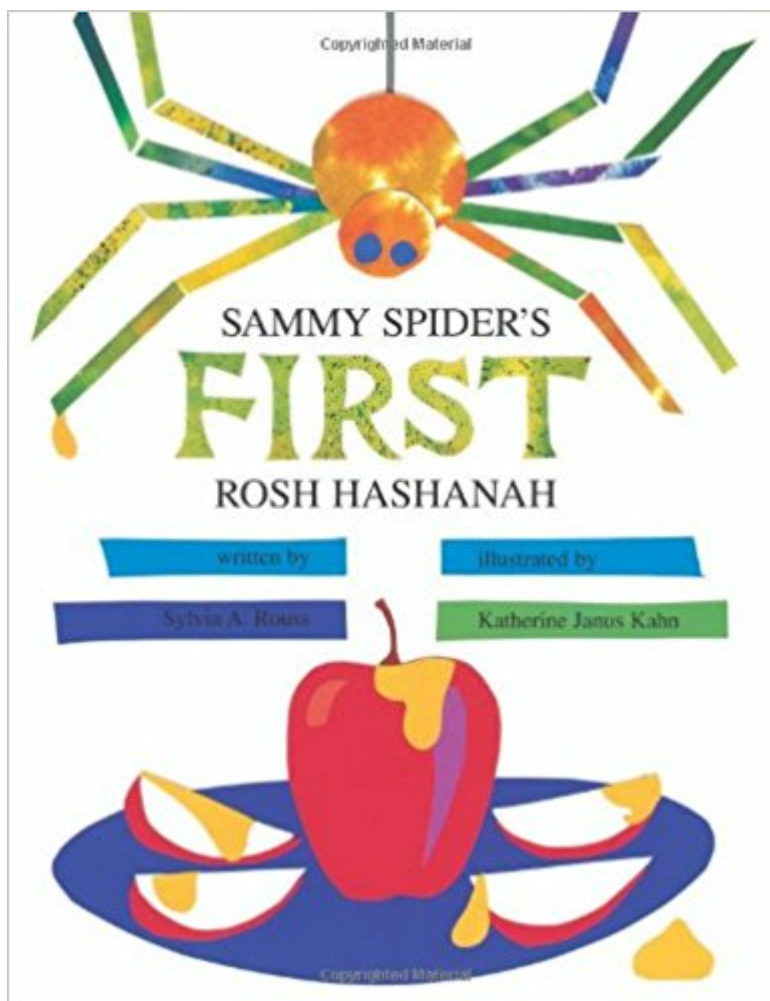


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Sammy Spider's First Rosh Hashanah



Synopsis

A young spider wants to join in as he watches a family prepare to celebrate Rosh Hashanah.

Book Information

Paperback: 32 pages

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

Customer Reviews

PreSchool-Grade 1. Another successful collaboration between the author and illustrator of *Sammy Spider's First Hanukkah* (1993) and *Sammy Spider's First Passover* (1995, both Kar-Ben). In this story about the Jewish New Year, Rouss repeatedly uses concepts of size—large, middle-sized, and small—in the narrative. Mother Spider explains the holiday customs and symbols to curious young Sammy, including Rosh Hashanah greeting cards, challah bread, apples and honey for a sweet year, and special synagogue services. Sammy is endearing, but mischief-prone. Despite Mother Spider's insistence that he must remain a respectful observer to the festivities, Sammy manages to celebrate Rosh Hashanah in his own way. This gentle tale should appeal to youngsters of all backgrounds. The colorful collage illustrations are both instructive and cheerful. —Libby K. White, Schenectady County Public Library, NY
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"Preschoolers already love Sammy and are sure to delight in hearing about his first new year."

--Gila Wertheimer, Chicago Jewish Star

I bought this book for a class of Kindergarteners to teach them about Rosh Hashanah, and it was

really fantastic. Most of the children were not Jewish and it covered all of the basics of the holiday, leading perfectly into more descriptions and activities after we'd finished. The repetition and basic concepts in the Sammy Spider books are fantastic for children following along--by the middle of the book everyone was saying along with the story, "Silly Sammy...spiders spin webs!" I would recommend this book and the other Sammy Spider stories for preschoolers and Kindergarteners of all backgrounds. They're really fantastic. Just a note: the book uses simple vocabulary (challah, etc), so you may want to make sure you know how to pronounce some words that are used if you are not familiar with them.

My 3-year-old enjoyed it. It focused in the apple and honey tradition more than anything. Not that it was bad, I suppose I was just expecting more about the purpose of the holiday.

Another great explanation of the holiday. What better character to explain and have adventures than a fun, lovable spider named Sammy--especially if a loved one's name is Sammy!

I bought this for part of a social studies lesson on Rosh Hashanah. The book was very informative and the kids loved it!

We have ALL the Sammy Spider Jewish Holiday books and I hope they make more. Our kids enjoy them and they provide an age appropriate look at the holidays.

A perfect book to teach our grandson about Rosh Hashanah. A colorful book to hold the attention of even a toddler under one year old.

perfect mix of humor and history. My grandson loved it.

What Jewish kid doesn't love Sammy the Spider. I bought the whole collection for my son. He loves them so much.

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