

# PASSPORT TO TISHREI

## 5781



Now more than ever, we are aware that our experiences of the High Holydays will be impacted by what we choose to do in these weeks leading up to these sweet celebrations. This year, we are not able to rely on our usual signals to help us transition into this sacred time: going to synagogue, seeing loved ones in person, the joyous hustle and bustle that comes with last minute preparations and getting to shul on time.

And yet, wherever you go, there you are. Just as part of the fun and excitement of going on a trip is the planning - which bags to pack, which outfits to bring, what are we going to do each day, which places do we want to eat, what activities are we bringing for the car/plane/train ride - we are delighted to offer a variety of ways to joyfully anticipate the celebrations of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. In this Passport to Tishrei kit, please find creative ideas and a few special items to enhance your spiritual preparation for this new year!

Each Passport to Tishrei kit is designed for families to explore and experience together! There are age specific activities for families with children:

- 2nd grade and younger (instructions on the blue paper)
- 3rd - 8th grade ONLY (instructions on the green paper)
- ALL children 3rd - 12th grade (instructions on the yellow paper)

As we embark on this journey together, please post notes, pictures or even videos to our padlet wall <https://padlet.com/adralustig/5781>, and we will share them in various ways with our community.

The activities and offerings included are meant to help you and your family enter the Holyday season now and to enhance your experiences on the Holydays themselves. If these advance activities and conversations don't happen, it's okay. Unplanned vacations are also fun!

As the festivities of Tishrei continue beyond Yom Kippur into Sukkot and Simchat Torah, keep your eyes open for more resources to be shared with our Tour of Tishrei kit soon after the New Year.

We look forward to celebrating 5781 together in good health.  
L'shanah Tovah U'metukah,

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