We use Birthday Candles and Hanukkah Candles in Different Ways
People light candles to celebrate many different happy days.
A birthday is one kind of happy day that people celebrate by lighting candles.
Another happy time when people light candles is Hanukkah.
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I am learning about the different ways people use birthday candles and Hanukkah candles.
Adults light birthday candles when I celebrate my birthday.
Birthday candles are usually put into a birthday cake.
An adult lights the birthday candles with a match or a candle lighter.
After the birthday candles are lit, people like to sing “Happy Birthday.”
Then I get to blow out the birthday candles!
On Hanukkah people light candles, too. But Hanukkah candles are used in a different way than birthday candles.
I do not put Hanukkah candles in a cake. I put Hanukkah candles in a menorah.
People do not light all of the Hanukkah candles with a match. First, an adult lights one special candle called the shammes using a match or candle lighter. Then I might help use the shammes to light the other Hanukkah candles.
On Hanukkah, people do not sing Happy Birthday. Instead, we sing blessings over the Hanukkah candles.
After we say the blessings, I do not blow out the Hanukkah candles. Instead, I watch the Hanukkah candles as they burn.
Watching the candles is a special thing people do on Hanukkah. The candles help remind people of the Hanukkah story.
Lighting candles is one special way we celebrate happy days!