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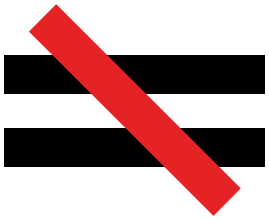

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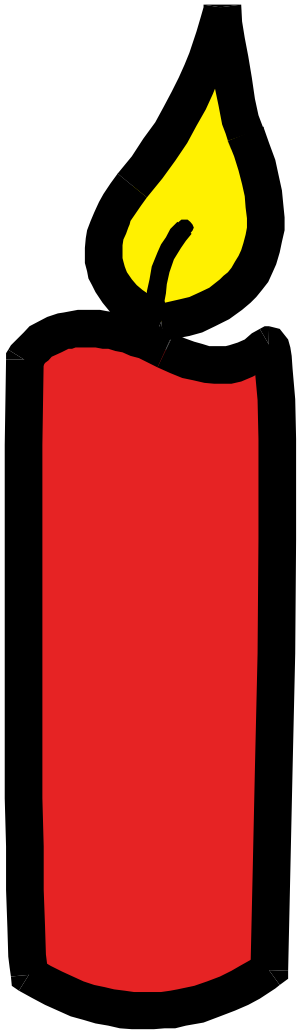

People light candles to celebrate many different happy days.

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A birthday is one kind of happy day that people celebrate by lighting candles.

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Another happy time when people light candles is Hanukkah.

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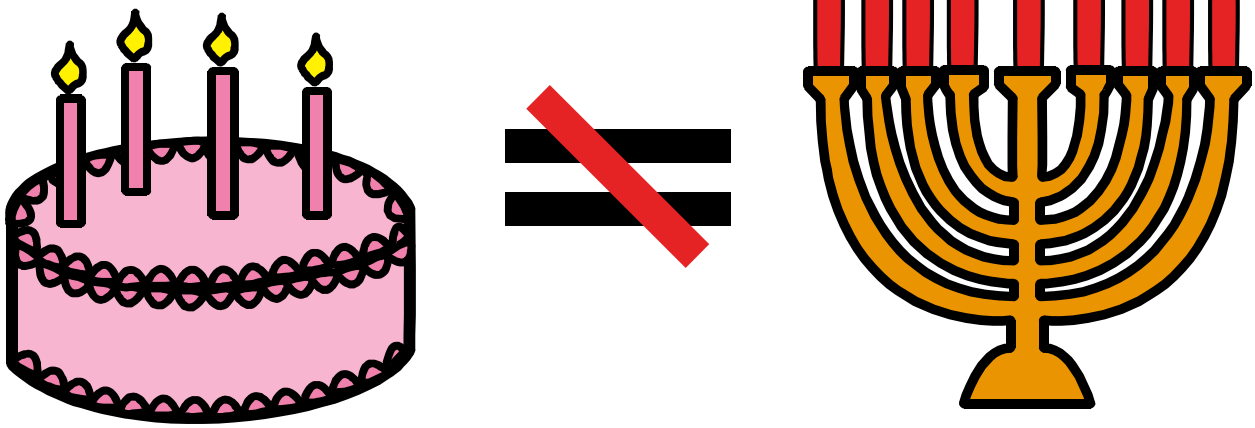

We use birthday candles and Hanukkah candles in different ways.

I am learning about the different ways people use birthday candles and Hanukkah candles.

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Adults light birthday candles when I celebrate my birthday.

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Birthday candles are usually put into a birthday cake.

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An adult lights the birthday candles with a match or a candle lighter.

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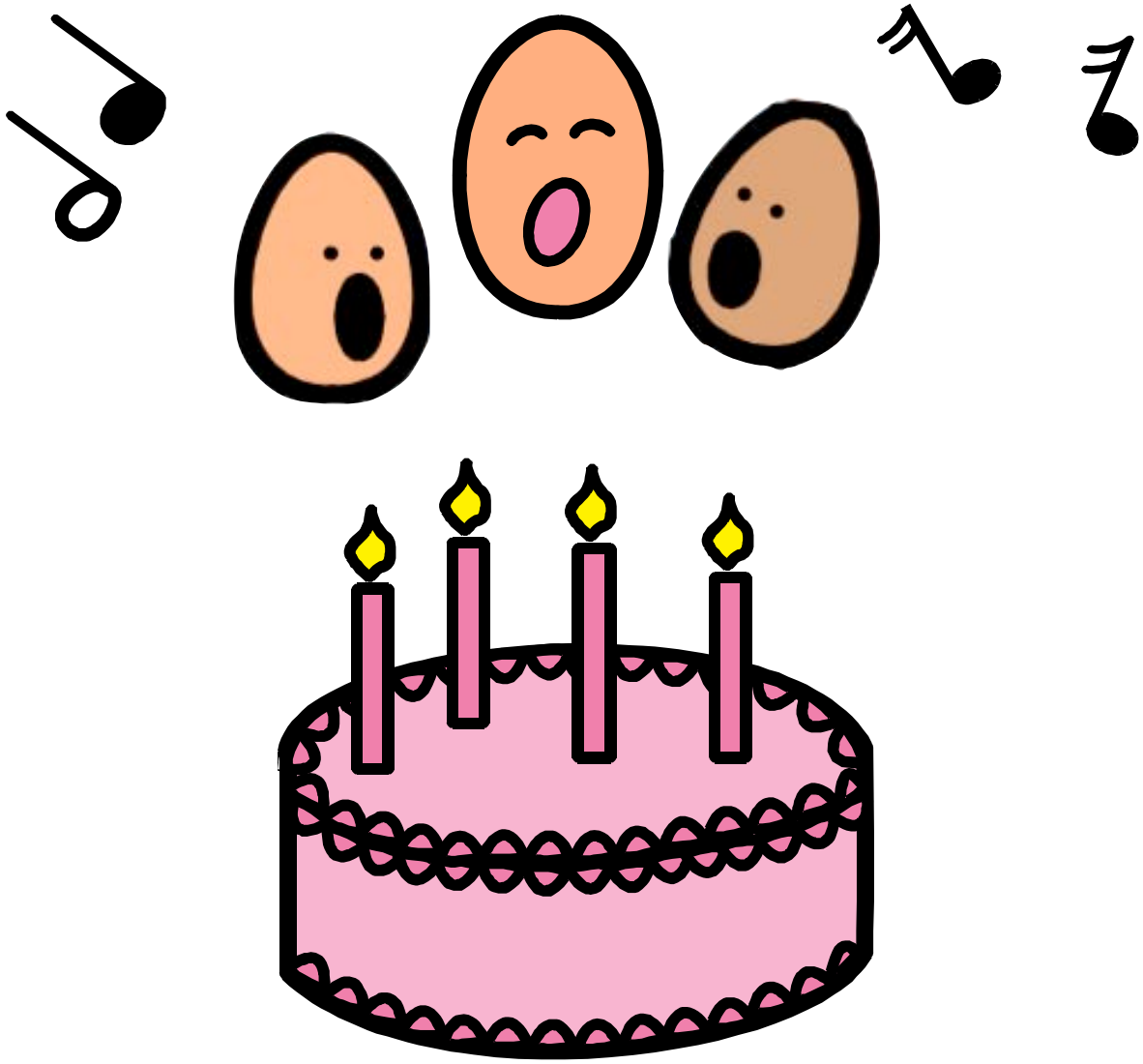

After the birthday candles are lit, people like to sing

“Happy Birthday.”

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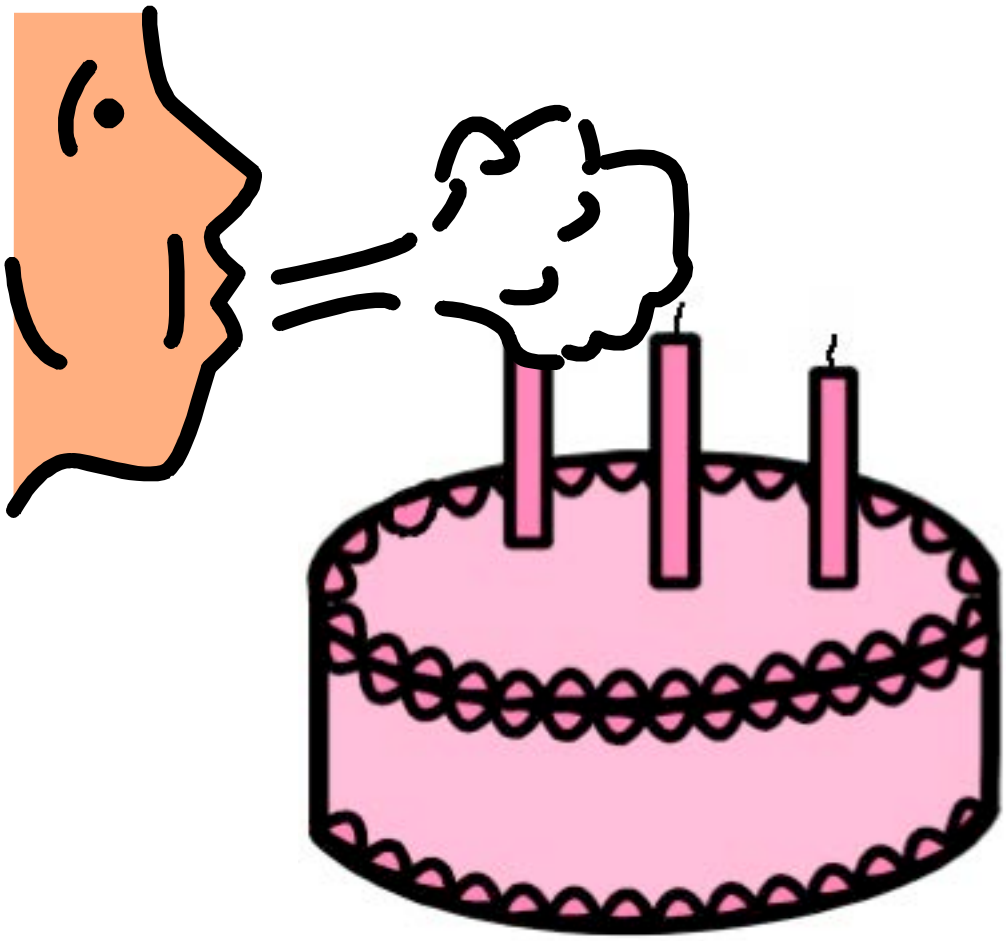

Then I get to blow out the birthday candles!

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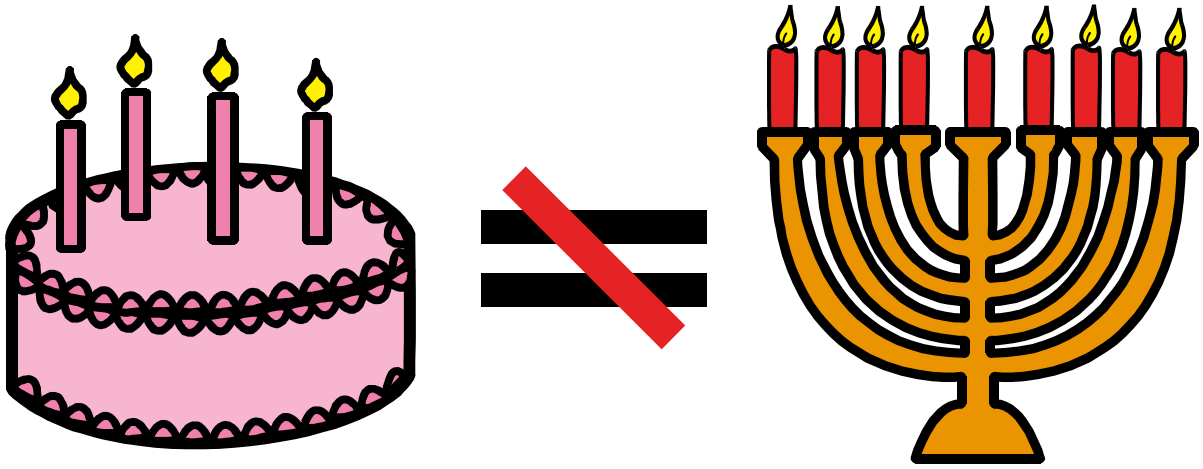

On Hanukkah people light candles, too. But Hanukkah candles are used in a different way than birthday candles.

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I do not put Hanukkah candles in a cake. I put Hanukkah candles in a menorah.

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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.

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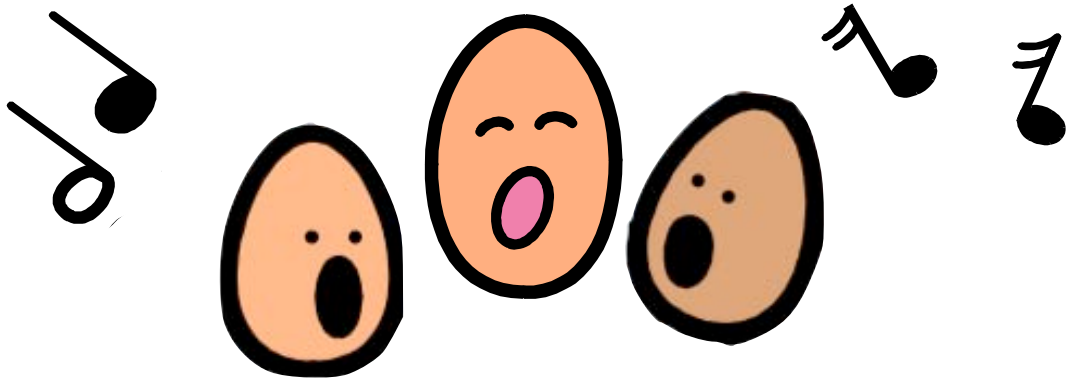

On Hanukkah, people do not sing Happy Birthday. Instead, we sing blessings over the Hanukkah candles.

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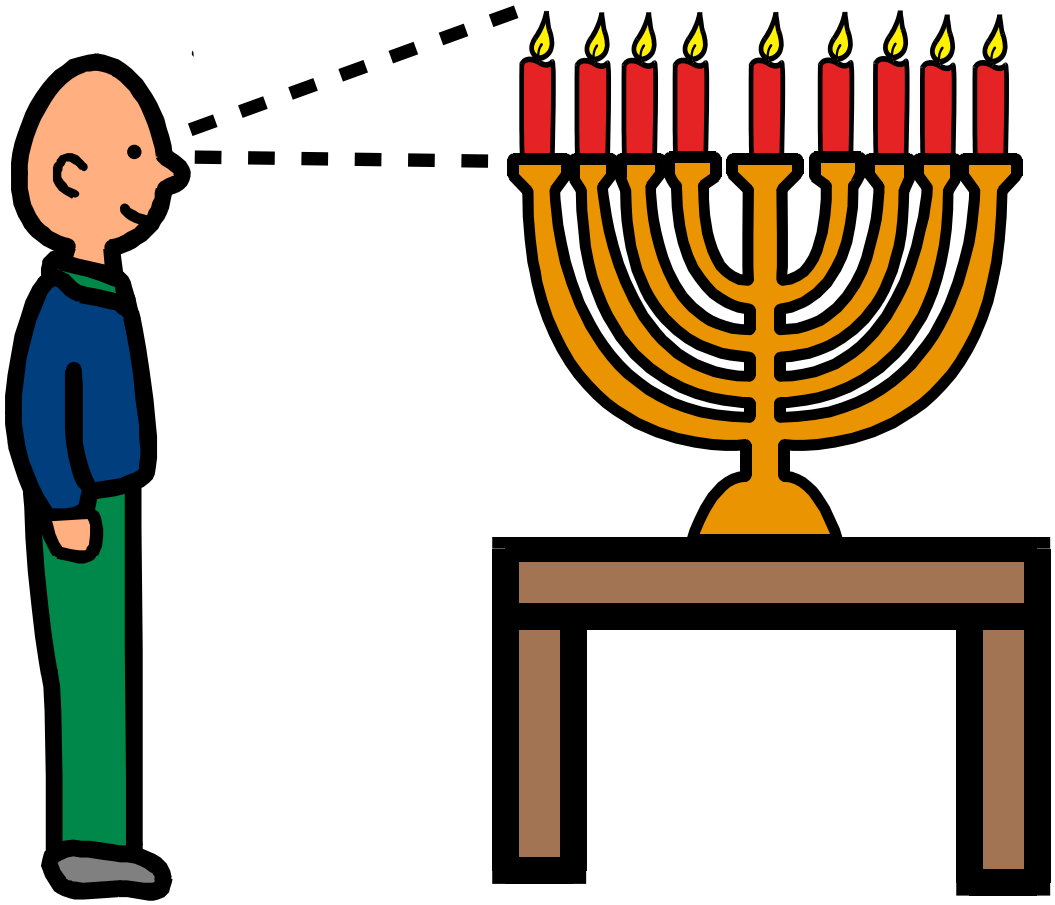

After we say the blessings, I do not blow out the Hanukkah candles. Instead, I watch the Hanukkah candles as they burn.

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Watching the candles is a special thing people do on Hanukkah. The candles help remind people of the Hanukkah story.

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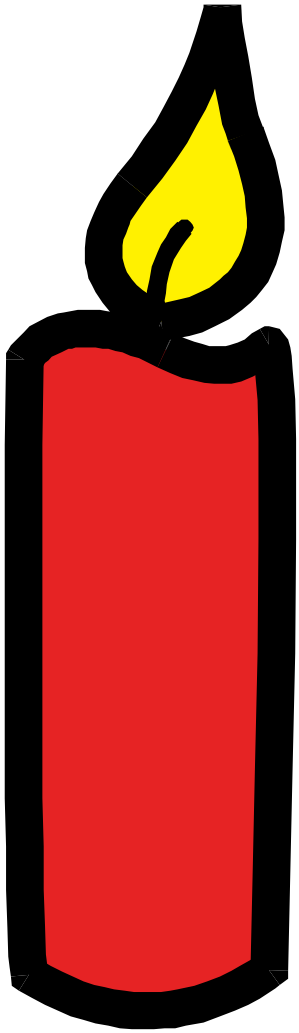

Lighting candles is one special way we celebrate happy days!

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