

Introduction and consent

This survey asks about your opinions about Jewish education. Your responses are anonymous, which means that your name will not be used. Your responses will be read by the researchers who study Jewish education and ██████████, but they will not know which students gave which responses. It should take about 8-10 minutes. There are no right or wrong answers. The researchers want to know your opinions.

1. Would you like to participate in the survey?

Yes

No

Satisfaction

2. Overall, how do you feel about Religious School at [redacted]?

- I love it.
- I like it.
- I don't like it.
- I hate it.

Hebrew at your school

3. Do you like learning Hebrew at ██████████?

- I love it.
- I like it.
- I don't like it.
- I hate it.

4. How good at Hebrew do you feel you are?

- Great
- Good
- Not so good
- Terrible

5. Did you learn new Hebrew words this year?

- Yes, a lot of words
- Yes, some words
- Yes, a few words
- No new words

6. What, if anything, have you learned about Hebrew pronunciation at ██████████ (for example, how the sounds differ in Hebrew and English)?

7. What, if anything, have you learned about Hebrew grammar at ██████████ (for example, roots, prefixes, suffixes, order of adjectives and nouns)?

8. How much do you value Hebrew for bar/bat mitzvah preparation?

- A lot
- More than a little bit
- A little bit
- Not at all

9. How much do you value Hebrew *for reasons other than* bar/bat mitzvah preparation?

- A lot
- More than a little bit
- A little bit
- Not at all

10. People have different reasons for learning Hebrew. Why are you interested in learning Hebrew?

11. In your opinion, how important are each of these as reasons for you to learn Hebrew?

	Very important	Important	A little important	Not at all important
Bar/bat mitzvah preparation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hebrew is a language of the Jewish people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hebrew is a language of the Jewish religion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hebrew is a language of the State of Israel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hebrew is a language of American Jewish life/culture	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Hebrew goals and skills

12. What are your goals regarding Hebrew? What would you like to be able to do by the time you are done with 6th grade?

Now we will ask you some questions about Hebrew-related skills that some Jewish schools teach and others don't. Please answer to what extent you can do each one.

13. To what extent can you do each of these?

Recitation

	A lot	More than a little bit	A little bit	Not at all
recite Hebrew prayers by ear/heart	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
recite Hebrew prayers while reading transliteration (English letters)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
recite Hebrew prayers while reading Hebrew letters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
recite or chant Torah in Hebrew	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
sing Hebrew songs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. Reading

	A lot	More than a little bit	A little bit	Not at all
recognize names or sounds of Hebrew letters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
decode Hebrew words (sound out letters and vowel sounds to form words)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
decode Hebrew words using cursive letters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. Comprehension

	A lot	More than a little bit	A little bit	Not at all
understand key Torah passages in Hebrew (like the beginning of Genesis, Ten Commandments)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
understand themes of key prayers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
understand a story in Modern Hebrew	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
understand basic Hebrew instructions (like <i>na lakum, lashevet b'sheket</i>)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
understand Jewish life vocabulary (Hebrew words used in English sentences, like <i>siddur, tefillah</i>)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Conversation

	A lot	More than a little bit	A little bit	Not at all
use Jewish life vocabulary (Hebrew words used in English sentences, like <i>siddur, tefillah</i>)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
have a basic conversation in Modern Hebrew (like greetings, directions, ordering food)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
have an intermediate conversation in Modern Hebrew	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

17. Writing

	A lot	More than a little bit	A little bit	Not at all
write Hebrew letters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
write Hebrew cursive letters	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
write a story in Modern Hebrew	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Your feelings about Hebrew

18. Do you associate Hebrew with Jewishness?

- A lot
- More than a little bit
- A little bit
- Not at all

19. Do you think Hebrew is fun?

- A lot
- More than a little bit
- A little bit
- Not at all

20. Do you have positive feelings about learning Hebrew?

- A lot
- More than a little bit
- A little bit
- Not at all

21. Do you feel a sense of accomplishment about your Hebrew knowledge?

- A lot
- More than a little bit
- A little bit
- Not at all

22. Do you hope to learn more Hebrew in high school, college, or beyond?

- Definitely
- Maybe
- Maybe not
- Definitely not

23. Has a teacher or director from [REDACTED] ever told you about what Hebrew skills they want you to learn? If so, how often?

- Multiple times each year
- Once each year
- Once every few years
- Once
- Never
- Not sure

24. What grade are you in?

- 5th
- 6th
- 7th
- Other (please specify)

25. Where are you in the process of bar/bat mitzvah preparation?

- I already had my bar/bat mitzvah.
- My bar/bat mitzvah is coming up, and I have had many tutoring sessions.
- My bar/bat mitzvah is coming up, and I have had a few tutoring sessions.
- My bar/bat mitzvah is in the future, and I have not begun tutoring sessions.
- I will not have a bar/bat mitzvah.

26. Is there anything else you want to tell us about learning Hebrew at [REDACTED]?