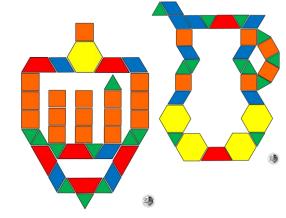
# Pattern Block Puzzles of Chanukah Items

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Grade Level: Early Childhood, Special Ed.

## **Description:**

Keep children engaged for hours with these challenging Chanukah puzzles! Pictures of Chanukah related items are formed from individual shapes. Children are given pattern blocks and a card with an image. They arrange and organize the blocks to form the given image. Templates are provided for the following items; candles, four individual dreidels (each with one of the lettersnun, gimmel, hey or shin), a jug, latkes, a shield and a



Menorah. A great manipulative activity for improving spatial awareness.

#### What to download

- Download the print-ready PDF file (includes lesson plan/instructions).
- OPTIONAL: Download the zip folder for individual JPG files (does not include lesson plan/instructions).

## Goals/Objectives:

Students will create individual Chanukah items from a set of shaped blocks.

#### **Materials Needed:**

- Pattern blocks (purchase from educational catalog or store)
- Color printer
- Cardstock- 8.5"x11"
- Cardstock-11"x17"

#### Instructions:

- 1. Print and laminate the cards. The Menorah should be printed 11"x17".
- 2. Give the students a pile of pattern blocks and a card.
- 3. Have the students arrange the blocks to form the Chanukah image.

### **Additional Tips:**

- For weaker students, give them exactly the pieces that they need for their image.
- Give each student a number of blocks and ask them to create their own Chanukah image. Take pictures of the students' creations and send home with the children.