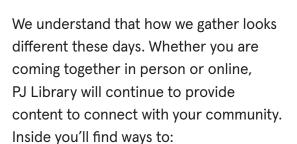
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For more information on this initiative,

check us out online at

www.pjlibrary.org/organizations

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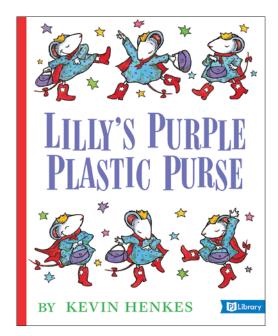
Resource



- Use Jewish text in everyday occurrences
- Make meaningful connections to families through Jewish values
- Enrich learning experiences for all ages







# Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse

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Lilly loves her purse — but when she disrupts class with it, her teacher has to take it away for a while. Lilly doesn't react so well... and soon she's going to have to learn how to say two of the most important words: "I'm sorry."

## **Returning to Our Best Selves**

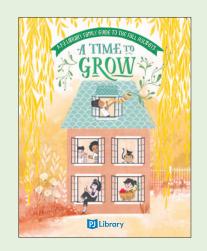
The word *teshuva* comes from the Hebrew "shuv" meaning "return." Twentieth century scholar, Rav Kook, teaches that teshuva means correcting our errors and returning to the best versions of ourselves. Consider using this book during your High Holy Day family experiences this year. Read the book together and then have families create collages using magazine clippings and other materials to represent what is best about their families. They can hang this in their homes as a reminder for when things get challenging that they can fix their mistakes and return to their best selves.

## All Apologies

One of the best known pieces of writing about apologies is the William Carlos Williams poem "Just To Say" which starts with "I have eaten/ the plums/ that were in/ the icebox..." During the days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, share the text of the poem on your organization's Facebook page or Instagram and encourage community members to compose their own forgiveness poems. Share some of your favorites during a Yom Kippur service or learning opportunity.

### High Holidays at Home

If families in your community are looking for ways to enrich their High Holiday experiences this year, A Time To Grow: A PJ Library Family Guide to the Fall Holidays has everything that they'll need. The guide includes recipes and crafts, deep dives into prayer, and fantastic conversation starters for families. There's even a special section focused on the "Ten Days of Returning." Read Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse together with families, then point them towards the PJ Library resources listed below to keep the conversation going at home.



**High Holidays at Home:** www.pjlibrary.org/fallholidays

PJ Library Rosh Hashanah Resources: www.pjlibrary.org/rosh-hashanah PJ Library
Yom Kippur Resources:
www.pjlibrary.org/yom-kippur