

Choose One Mitzvah for Bondi CHILDREN'S BOOKS



One of the suggested Mitzvahs is 'Values at Bedtime'

Read your children bedtime stories that teach positive moral lessons, encourage good behaviour, build character and inspire integrity.

*Dedicated in honour of **Tania Tretiak**, a grandmother who loved her family.*

This list supports emotional intelligence, kindness, resilience, empathy, faith, and positive character development.



👶 Babies, Toddlers & Preschool

Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes – Mem Fox

Celebrates the joy, wonder, and universality of new life.

It's a Mitzvah! – Suzy Ultman

Introduces everyday acts of kindness, peace, and good deeds.

Little Blue Truck – Alice Schertle

Shows the power of friendship, teamwork, and cooperation.

Wrapping Things – Linda Burgess

Explores welcoming a new baby and family bonding.

Before You Close Your Eyes – Scott Stuart

Encourages reflection, gratitude, and calm before bedtime.

How Big Is Love? – Carl Merrison & Hakea Hustler

Reassures children of the boundless depth of love.

Shmoof – Heidi McKinnon

Teaches responsibility, care, and compassion toward pets.

World of Colour – Jess Racklyeft

Encourages wonder, curiosity, and appreciation of nature.

Peanut Butter and Cupcake – Terry Border

Celebrates friendship, differences, and acceptance.

I'm Not Just a Scribble – Diane Alber

Builds self-confidence, creativity, and self-expression.

Babies, Toddlers & Preschool continued

Stick and Stone – Beth Ferry & Tom Lichtenheld

Highlights loyalty, bravery, and standing up for friends.

My Many Coloured Days – Dr Seuss

Helps children understand and express a wide range of emotions.

In My Heart: A Book of Feelings – Jo Witek

Encourages emotional awareness and acceptance of all feelings.

Why Is Baby Joe Crying, Papa? – Anna Mills

Normalises emotions and builds empathy and understanding.

We're Going on a Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen & Helen Oxenbury

Teaches bravery, resilience, and perseverance through challenges.

Early Primary

Another Year Around the Sun – Katrina Germein

Appreciates family, nature, and the passing of time through the seasons.

A Thread of Kindness – Leah-Perl Shollar

Shows how small acts of kindness connect us all.

The Invisible String – Patrice Karst

Explains emotional connection and love even when apart.

The Giving Tree – Shel Silverstein

Explores generosity, giving, and unconditional love.

Have You Filled a Bucket Today? – Carol McCloud

Teaches kindness, empathy, and emotional wellbeing.

When I'm Feeling... Collection – Trace Moroney

Helps children identify, manage, and understand emotions.

Magic Beach – Alison Lester

Celebrates imagination, play, and joy in nature.

Giraffes Can't Dance – Giles Andreae

Encourages self-belief, confidence, and embracing uniqueness.

Alexander's Outing – Pamela Allen

Highlights family protection, caution, and care.

Not That Question Again – Belinda Blecher

Encourages meaningful parent-child communication.

Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge – Mem Fox

Explores memory, ageing, and empathy.

Be Kind – Pat Zietlow Miller

Shows how small acts of kindness make a big difference.

Kindness Makes Us Strong – Sophie Beer

Encourages everyday kindness and empathy.

The Carrot Seed – Ruth Krauss

Teaches patience, hope, and belief.

Prayer for a River – Andrew Kelly

Encourages gratitude for water and environmental awareness.

Early Primary continued

Here Come the Cousins – Maggie Hutchins

Celebrates extended family, togetherness, and belonging.

The Friendship Book – Zanni Louise

Explores how friendships grow through kindness and care.

The Little Engine That Could – Watty Piper

Inspires perseverance, optimism, and determination.

The Good Deeds Dogs – Emma Chichester Clark

Encourages kindness and helping others.

Sundays Under the Lemon Tree – Julia Busuttil Nishimura

Celebrates family tradition and togetherness.

Ten Small Things I Can Do to Help My Planet – Melanie Walsh

Builds environmental responsibility and awareness.

A Hatful of Dreams – Bob Graham

Celebrates grandparent-grandchild relationships and imagination.

Giant Parsnip Soup – Daniela Sosa

Shows cooperation, teamwork, and friendship.

Between – Anna Walker

Explores empathy, emotional connection, and belonging.

Grandpa's Guide to Happiness – Andrew Daddo

Shares wisdom, perspective, and life lessons.

Where Would You Go? – Alison Lester & Jane Goodwin

Encourages imagination, curiosity, and family connection.

One Race – Gregg Dreiser

Promotes unity, inclusion, and shared humanity.

Primary

How to Heal a Broken Wing – Bob Graham

Teaches compassion and care for the vulnerable.

The Humble Pie – Jory John

Encourages humility, growth, and self-reflection.

Noah and His Special Friend – Susan Sara Feiga Zimmerman

Introduces moral responsibility and universal values.

What Should Danny Do? – Adir Levy

Shows how choices shape outcomes and character.

I Wish You More – Amy Krouse Rosenthal

Encourages reflection, gratitude, and life aspirations.

All Kinds of Strong – Kris Wiltse

Celebrates emotional, mental, and physical strength.

Listen With Your Heart – Raizy Metzger & Esty Raskin

Builds sensitivity, inclusion, and compassion for children with challenges.

I Wish You Happiness – Michael Wong

Shares heartfelt wishes for a meaningful, joyful, and kind life.