



# Hanukkah Hiccups

A personalized tale!

It was the first night of Hanukkah, and [\_\_\_\_\_] and [\_\_\_\_\_] were SO excited! The candles were ready, the latkes were sizzling, and their favorite Hanukkah songs were playing. They both watched as the shamash, the helper candle, was lit, ready to kick off the first night of celebration. But then... something strange happened.

As soon as the first candle was lit, it started to sparkle and twirl! “[\_\_\_\_\_]”, is that candle dancing?” asked [\_\_\_\_\_]. Sure enough, the candle was wiggling like it was in a dance-off! Soon all the candles joined in, spinning and flickering to the beat of the music. “We’ve got the dancing candles of Hanukkah!” [\_\_\_\_\_] laughed.

Then, they heard a loud POP from the kitchen. They ran over, and guess what? The latkes they’d been cooking had fluffed up like giant pillows! One latke even rolled right off the plate and plopped onto the floor. “[\_\_\_\_\_]! It’s a latke parade!” shouted [\_\_\_\_\_]. They both giggled as they tried to catch the bouncing latkes, chasing them around the kitchen.

Finally, they managed to get the latkes back onto the plate (well, mostly), when a small blue dreidel came rolling by, spinning as fast as it could. “[\_\_\_\_\_]”, look!” shouted [\_\_\_\_\_]. The dreidel had a mind of its own! It spun and spun, faster and faster, until it was zipping around the room like a little Hanukkah tornado.

“Whoa, slow down!” [\_\_\_\_\_] called, but the dreidel just kept going, knocking over some gelt and sending chocolate coins scattering everywhere. [\_\_\_\_\_] and [\_\_\_\_\_] scrambled to pick up the gelt, stuffing a few into their pockets. “I guess that dreidel was just helping us with a little gelt giveaway!” laughed [\_\_\_\_\_].

When it was finally time for bed, the candles were still twinkling, the latkes were a little squished, and chocolate gelt was hidden. [\_\_\_\_\_] and [\_\_\_\_\_] looked around, grinning from ear to ear.

“This was definitely the silliest first night of Hanukkah ever!” [\_\_\_\_\_] said. And as they snuggled into bed, ready for the next night of Hanukkah magic, they both wondered, “What surprises will happen this Hannukah?”

**Let the Hanukkah magic begin!**

