Feasts are ritual celebrations that shape a religious community and help members reflect on and practice their faith.

**The assignment:**

With a partner, conduct research on the nature and significance of Jewish holidays or high holy days and sacred life-cycle rituals. There will be only one group assigned to each topic.

Create a 5 minute multimedia presentation on the ritual practices and symbols associated with Jewish holidays and life-cycle rituals. Presentations could include a selection of images, video clips, text, food, music, prayer and artifacts.

The information required is:

* + The purpose of the ritual celebration (what is celebrated and why)
  + The symbols associated with the feast
  + Special readings, music or prayers central to the liturgical celebrations
  + Food that is part of the celebration or social events that take place (if any)
  + Specific roles and to who they are assigned (family and community members)
  + Anything else of interest that your group would like to share
  + A list of your sources – citation page (hard copy) - **MLA format**
  + A hard copy and a soft copy of a handout for the class
    - No paragraphs – bullets only
  + A soft copy to be loaded onto the teacher’s laptop - **SHARE or email**

**The choices are:** \*\*\* only one group assigned to each topic

**feasts:**

Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Shabbat, Succot, Simchat Torah, Hanukkah, Pesach/Passover, Shavuot, Purim and Tisha b’Av

**life-cycle rituals**

Brit Milah/Bris and Simchat Bat, Betrothal and Marriage, Death,

Bar and Bat Mitzvah