

# Israel Reading List

(\*Can be Found in the Meyers Library)

## Children

Abbey, Alan; **Journey of Hope: The Story of Ilan Ramon\*** (Young Adult)  
Adler, David. **Our Golda: The Story of Golda Meir** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Almagor, Gila; **Under the Domim Tree** (Young Adult)\*  
Amery; **The First Thousand Words** (Ages 8 – 12)\*  
Bands, Lynne Reid; **One More River** (Young Adult)\*  
Blumenthal, Scott; **The Great Israeli Scavenger Hunt** (ages 5 – 8)\*  
Burstein Chaya; **Our Land of Israel** (Ages 8 – 12)\*  
Burstein, Chaya; **A Kid's Catalog of Israel** (Ages 8 – 12)\*  
Carmi, Giora; **And Shira Imagined** (Ages 5 – 8)\*  
Chaikin, Miriam; **Aviva's Piano** (Ages 8 – 12)\*  
Cohen, Barbara. **The Secret Grove** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Da Costa, Deborah. **Snow in Jerusalem.** (Ages 5 – 8)  
Dolphin, Laurie. **Neveh Shalom** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Groner, Judy; **Let's Visit Israel** (Board Book)\*  
Grossman, Laurie. **Colors of Israel** (Ages 5 – 8)  
Gurko, Miriam. **Theodor Herzl: The Road to Israel** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Rabinovich, Abraham. **Teddy Kollek, Builder of Jerusalem.** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Roseman, Kenneth. **Jeremiah's Promise; An Adventure in Modern Israel** (YA)  
Rouss, Sylvia. **Tali's Jerusalem Scrapbook.** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Rouss, Sylvia; **Sammy Spider's First Trip to Israel** (Preschool)\*  
Schroeder, Holly; **Israel ABC's: A Book About the People\*** (Preschool)  
Segal, Sheila; **Joshua's Dream: A Journey to the Land Of Israel** (Ages 5 – 8)\*  
Semel, Nava; **Becoming Gershona** (Young Adult)\*  
Sherman, Joseph; **Your Travel Guide to Ancient Israel\***  
Silverman, Maida. **Israel: The Founding of a Nation.** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Sofer, Barbara. **Shalom, Haver** (Ages 5 – 8)  
Speregen, Devra; **Ilan Ramon** (Young Adult)\*  
Speregen, Devra; **Yoni Netanyahu** (Young Adult)\*  
Stein, Tamar; **Light Years\***  
Topek, Susan; **Israel Is** (Board Book)\*  
Waldman, Neil. **The Golden City.** (Ages 8 – 12)  
Zenatti, Valerie; **When I was a Soldier\***

**Adult Fiction** (*A great way to learn about the history and people of Israel is to historical fiction. I recommend these authors and books as a starting place.*)

Berkman, Ted. **Cast a Giant Shadow: The Story of Mickey Marcus**  
Goldreich, Gloria. **Leah's Journey**  
Goldreich, Gloria. **This Burning Harvest**  
Goldreich, Gloria. **This Promised Land.**  
Levin, Meyer, **The Settlers**

Levin, Meyer. **The Harvest**  
Michener, James. **The Source**  
Ragen, Naomi. **The Covenant**  
Uris, Leon. **Jerusalem.**  
Uris, Leon. **Mitla Pass**  
Uris, Leon; **Exodus**  
Wouk, Herman: **The Glory**  
Wouk, Herman; **The Hope\***

## **Adult Non-Fiction**

Bard, Mitchell Geoffrey. **Myths and Facts: A Guide to the Arab-Israel Conflict**  
Collins, Larry. **O Jerusalem\***  
Dershowitz, Alan. **The Case for Israel**  
Dershowitz, Alan. **The Case for Peace: How the Arab-Israeli Conflict Can be Resolved.**  
Freund, Richard; **Secrets of the Cave of Letters: Rediscovering a Dead Sea Mystery\***  
Friedman, Thomas. **From Beirut to Jerusalem.**  
Hertzberg, Arthur. **The Zionist Idea: A Historical Analysis and Reader**  
Herzl, Theodor. **The Jewish State**  
Karsh, Efraim. **Arafat's War: The Man and His Battle for Israeli Conquest.**  
Laquer, Walter, **A History of Zionism**  
Netanyahu, Jonathan. **Self-Portrait of a Hero.\***  
Oren, Michael. **Six Days of War: June 1967 and the Making of the Modern Middle East.**  
Rabinovich, Abraham. **The Yom Kippur War:**  
Rosenthal, Donna. **The Israelis: Ordinary People in an Extraordinary Land\***  
Sachar, Howard. **A History of Israel: From the Rise of Zionism to Our Time**  
Shanks, Hershel. **Ancient Israel: From Abraham to the Destruction of the Temple.**  
Sharon, Ariel. **Warrior: An Autobiography**  
**Treasures of the Holy Land: Ancient Art From the Israel Museum\***

## **Travel Information**

Fodor: **Fodor's Israel**, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition.  
Hoffman, Lawrence; **Israel: A Spiritual Travel Guide\***  
**Insight Guides Israel\***  
Sofer, Barbara; **Kids Love Israel (All Ages)\***  
Steves, Rick. **Rick Steves' Greece, Turkey, Israel, and Egypt, 2000-2007.**  
Ullian, Robert. **Frommer's Israel.\***

## **Miscellaneous**

**Against All Odds – Israel Survives: The Complete First Season (DVD)**  
Cohen, David; **A Day in the Life of Israel (Coffee Table Book)\***  
**Myjewishlearning.com** – Go to Special Topics: Israel. Look at Ideas and Beliefs; click on the Land of Israel. Go to History and Community, click on Contemporary Israel.  
**You Tube.com** – type in “Israel Travel Videos” for a very wide selection!

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