

Henry's Hanukkah SURPRISE

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Henry loves Hanukkah—the sparkling candles, spinning dreidels, and delicious latkes. For eight nights, Henry's family takes turns lighting the menorah. His big sister Hannah goes first. With the shamash helper candle, she lights one candle for the first night.



This year, Henry's birthday falls on the final night, and it's his turn to light the menorah!

When Henry comes home from school, he can't wait to set up the menorah. First, he places a candle in the shamash's spot. Then one, two, three, four, five, six, seven...



He reaches in the box for the final candle, but it's empty. Henry shakes the box. **NO CANDLE!**

He turns it upside down. **NO CANDLE!**

He looks under the table. **NO CANDLE!**



Just then, Hannah comes in.

"Happy Birthday, Henry!" she says. From behind her back, she pulls out a cupcake with ...

THE MISSING CANDLE!

"Surprised?" asks Hannah.

Henry grins. "SO surprised!"

And that night is the most sparkly night of all. 4