The **Jewish Calendar** is lunar (based on phases of the moon) and has 353, 354 or 355 days, divided into 12 months. In leap year, a 13th month is added. Creation is dated at 3761 B.C.E.

**FALL**
- **Tishrei** (Sept.-Oct.)
  - Rosh Hashanah
  - Yom Kippur
- **Nisan** (Sept.-Oct.)
  - Yom Kippur
- **Kislev** (Nov.-Dec.)
  - Hanukkah

**WINTER**
- **Tevet** (Dec.-Jan.)
  - Hanukkah
  - Tu Bishvat
- **Shevat** (Jan.-Feb.)
- **Adar** (Feb.-Mar.)
  - Purim

**SPRING**
- **Nisan** (Mar.-Apr.)
  - Pesah
  - Lag BaOmer
- **Iyar** (Apr.-May)
  - Yom Haatzmaut
- **Sivan** (May-June)
  - Shavuot

**SUMMER**
- **Tammuz** (June-July)
  - Shabbat Dibur Rabbenu
- **Av** (July-Aug.)
  - Tisha B'Av
- **Elul** (Aug.-Sept.)

In a world constantly in turmoil, these celebrations continue to strengthen the enduring faith of the Jewish people.

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*The words in parentheses are basic guides to pronunciation. Accented syllables are indicated by capital letters.*

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GREETINGS FOR SHABBAT, HOLIDAY AND EVERYDAY

Shabbat

Shabbat Shalom. Sabbath greetings.
Gut Shabbos (Yiddish). Good Sabbath.

After Havdalah

Shavuah tov. Good week.
A gut voch (Yiddish). A good week.

General Holiday

Gut yontif (from yom tov) (Yiddish). Happy holiday.
Chag sameach (Hebrew). Happy holiday.

Rosh Hashanah

Shanah tovah. A good year.
Shanah tovah u’metukah. A good sweet year.
Gut yohr (Yiddish). Good year.

Between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

Tzom kal. An easy fast (said prior to Yom Kippur after Rosh Hashanah).

Yom Kippur


Sukkot, Pesach, Shavuot

Moadim lesimcha. Happy holiday. (Response: Chagim uzmanim lesason, may your holiday be a happy one.)

Daily Greetings

Boker tov. Good morning (response: boker or בוקר “the morning light”).
Erev tov. Good evening.
Laila tov. Good night.
Lihitraot. See you later.
Shalom. Hello, goodbye, may you be at peace.