

## Shabbat Study Circle

13:15-14:15 (14 Jan, 21 Jan, 4 Feb sessions)

13:30-14:30 (7 Jan session)

The Study Circle meets after the Shabbat service and enjoys a chavurah lunch. This is followed by study and discussion of a Jewish text.

Date	Topic and facilitator
7 January	How do Reform Jews make decisions? ~ Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner
14 January	Bruriah: tragic heroine in an unforgiving age ~ Rabbi Haim Shalom
21 January	Deepening our relationship with Psalms ~ Rabbi Lisa Barrett
4 February	The Siddur as hypertext ~ Rabbi Larry Becker

## Leo Baeck College Northern Seminars at Menorah

### *Nurturing spirituality in your community*

Sunday 8 January, 10:00-16:00. Guest speaker, Rabbi Laura Janner-Klausner. A day to explore new ideas and interests. See

[www.lbc.ac.uk/events.html](http://www.lbc.ac.uk/events.html) for further information

### *Exploring Jerusalem*

Sunday 13 May. A Regional Community day for children, young people and adults

## Fees and Enrolment

### Adult Education

Hebrew Ulpan Beginners £54/£40.50\*

Hebrew Ulpan Intermediate £67.50/£50.63\*

Siddur Hebrew £37.50/£28.13\*

Access to Judaism £50/£37.50\*

Siddur Hebrew plus Access course £65.63/£49.22\*

\* The concessionary rate is for pensioners, students and unwaged.

**Enrolment dates:** Thursday 12 January and Sunday 15 January (ie the first session of the term).

**Cheques:** payable to Cheshire Reform Congregation Ltd

**Enquiries:** Ann - 0161 428 7746

[ann.angel@btconnect.com](mailto:ann.angel@btconnect.com)

### ARK

A voluntary contribution of £1 per session is requested, payable on the day.

**Enquiries:** Andrew - 0161 428 7746

[andrew.pal@beyondresults.eu](mailto:andrew.pal@beyondresults.eu)

## Menorah Synagogue Adult Learning

### Adult Education

~ Modern & Siddur (Prayerbook) Hebrew at various levels  
~ Access to Judaism

### ARK

~ Talks on a wide range of topics

### Shabbat Study Circle

~ Study and discuss a Jewish text

Spring 2012

Menorah Synagogue  
198 Altrincham Road, Manchester M22 4RZ  
0161 428 7746  
[office@menorah.org.uk](mailto:office@menorah.org.uk) • [www.menorah.org.uk](http://www.menorah.org.uk)

## Adult Education: Sundays

10:00-11:00 Hebrew Ulpan Beginners

11:05-12:20 Hebrew Ulpan Intermediate

Modern Hebrew language classes with an experienced teacher of Modern Hebrew:

~ Beginner level: learn basic vocabulary and the present tense

~ Intermediate level: learn conversation and grammar

Session no. and date	
1	15 January
2	22 January
3	29 January
4	5 February
5	26 February
6	4 March
7	11 March
8	18 March
9	25 March

## ARK: Sundays

11:15-12:15

Join us for Menorah's varied ARK (Adults Requiring Knowledge) presentations and discussions. Bagels and coffee available beforehand

Date	Topic and speaker
15 January	IL Peretz: the grandfather of Yiddish literature ~ Clive Gilbert
22 January	My destination: Kafka and adult learning ~ Graham Ash
29 January	Jewish mysticism: an introduction ~ Elliot Cohen
5 February	
26 February	From rag dealers to Nobel Prize winners: a history of the Bolton Jewish Community ~ Hilary Thomas
4 March	European Jewry in the Dark Ages ~ Aron Sterk
11 March	Klezmer I: the revival ~ Sue Cooper
18 March	tbc
25 March	JR Tolkien and Judaism ~ Aron Sterk

## Adult Education: Thursdays

19:30-20:15 Siddur Hebrew Beginners & Improvers

20:30-21:30 Access to Judaism

Siddur Hebrew :

~ Beginners: learn the Hebrew alphabet and read basic prayers

~ Improvers: develop fluency and understanding.

Access to Judaism: An introduction to Jewish life

Session no. & date		Access topic
1	12 January	Life passages: birth to bar mitzvah
2	19 January	Life passages: marriage and divorce; death and mourning
3	26 January	Conversion to Judaism
4	2 February	Tanach times: the bible from creation to prophecy
5	23 February	First century: Israel confronts World culture
6	1 March	Purim Themes
7	8 March	Medieval Jewish riches: Sepharad and Ashkenaz
8	15 March	Jewish encounters with the modern world: enlightenment, emancipation and religious reform
9	22 March	Jewish choices in the nineteenth century: Nationalism, Socialism and Zionism
10	29 March	Pesach: freedom and redemption