

INTRODUCTION

Let's Discover Israel is a series of eight four-page folders that will introduce children to the land, state, people, and culture of Israel. Students will learn about Israel's history, language, cities, regions, population, and food through vivid photographs and artwork, engaging text, and hands-on activities.

This Teacher's Edition provides the tools you need to teach about Israel and to use the series *Let's Discover Israel* effectively. It includes a wide variety of activities and teaching suggestions to enhance your students' learning experiences. If the children are nonreaders, have them draw, tell, or dramatize the lessons or activities. If they are readers, encourage them to read or write a lesson or activity. Where appropriate, allow them to use the response mode that they prefer.

The *Let's Discover Israel Teacher's Edition* is divided into two parts. Part 1—*Using the Student Folders*—shows each folder in reduced format, with full annotations for every page. It includes a wide variety of teaching techniques, strategies, and activities to meet the folders' learning objectives, as well as sample answers to open-ended questions. Part 2—*Enrichment Activity Sheets*—includes student activity worksheets to duplicate for classroom or home use.

How to Use This Guide

Part I of this Teacher's Edition contains the following features to help you make full use of the folders:

Core Concept

The key concept that students should explore in each folder; the most important idea to explore with students

Getting Started

Set inductions drawing on students' previous knowledge and experiences to introduce the topic of each folder

Teaching Objectives

Overall teaching goals for each folder; the key ideas and skills students will learn

Words to Know

Key vocabulary and definitions to introduce or review

In addition, the following icons help identify certain types of teaching opportunities:



Let's Talk About It

Important points in the text to emphasize and questions to ask



Arts and Crafts

Age-appropriate, hands-on classroom projects



Using the Photograph

Suggestions for using visual images in the student edition to enhance the lesson



For the Family

Activities that connect lessons with family life and provide material students can bring home to share



Hands-on Activity

Interactive activities, such as games, songs, or role-playing, to engage students of all learning styles



Making Connections

Activities that connect to other curriculum areas, such as Bible, Hebrew, and Prayer