



## SAMI'S SLEEPAWAY SUMMER

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*Though her family doesn't seem to see it, Sami is absolutely certain she's not a "sleep-away camp kind of kid." Will a four-day, three-night mini session at Camp Cedar Lake change her mind?*

**S**ami repeatedly shares the feeling that she's "not a sleepaway camp kind of kid." Of course, she really is; she just doesn't know it when her story begins.

### QUESTIONS FOR CAMPERS

Here are some questions that can be summer camp discussion-starters with your children:

- Sami's sister and parents all loved Camp Cedar Lake, so why was she uncomfortable about going there?
- Do you think camp was what Sami expected it to be?
- How did the camp's Shabbat and Havdalah celebrations affect Sami?
- What did you learn from the Shabbat story Rabbi Joe told the campers? Do you agree that being with others makes life sweeter?
- How did music help Sami at camp?
- Why did Sami and Gabby become close friends? How did Gabby's speech issue and Sami's worries about sleepaway camp affect their friendship?
- Why did their grandma choose to take a Yiddish class with Daniel and Sami?

- How did his time at camp change Daniel? Do you think their time at camp will affect the relationship between the two cousins?
- Are you a "sleepaway camp kind of kid?"

### ONE HAPPY CAMPER

Reading and discussing stories about summer camp is a wonderful means for families to pave the way for a successful camp experience. Assess whether camp will be a good match for your children by talking with friends whose children have attended camp; if possible, plan to visit a camp while it's in session; and explore camping online. Learn more about Jewish summer camp opportunities by contacting your Jewish Federation, Jewish Community Center, or the educational director at a local synagogue. Check out a great online source of information about Jewish summer camps at [www.onehappycamper.org](http://www.onehappycamper.org).