

Yom Kippur Family Service

		Intro	Davener
1	Settling in and Intro	• Suggestion: Could use a niggun to settle in • Welcome, introduce leaders • Introduce any guiding theme for the day • “Roll call”: Is year 3 in the room? Year 2? Etc. Younger Siblings? Grownups?	
2	Barchu & Shema	• Barchu = call to prayer, praying as a collective • Shema	Barchu, Shema, V’Ahavta (Standard/Shabbat nussach)
3	Amidah	• Explain “nussach” - special musical modes for specific tefilot, for weekdays, Shabbat, chagim, etc. • Demo specific HHD Amidah nussach, maybe with dance moves ◦ ElokAAAAIIINNUUU, v’elokei avoTAAAAAAYnuuuuuu • Davener does first two paragraphs • “Silent Amidah” ◦ After two paragraphs out loud, give 1 minute of silence - meditate, deep breaths, etc. ◦ Sing Oseh Shalom	First two paragraphs of Amidah; silence; Oseh Shalom
4	Torah Service Activity	Torah Service Activity - something to engage them in the themes of Yom Kippur • Could relate to apologies and forgiveness, stories of repentance and repair, the Torah readings for the day, Sefer Yonah, etc.	
5	Unetaneh Tokef	• Introduce Mussaf - focusing on the “greatest hits” • Introduce Unetaneh Tokef ◦ The Rabbis teach that HaShem has a really big book of names called the Book of Life, Sefer HaChayim. We are praying to have our names written into the book of life, so the next year is full of good things - friendship, laughter, love, blessing, family. • Davener does beginning of Unetaneh Tokef in Nussach, until “V’chotam yad kol adam bo” • Intro & sing “B’Rosh HaShanah Yekatevun” • Intro and davener says: U’teshuvah u’tefillah u’tzedakah maavirin et roah hagezeirah	Unetaneh Tokef - beginning lines (see left); B’Rosh HaShanah Yekatevun; Uteshuvah, etc.
6	Aleinu	• Aleinu - the words are familiar BUT we have our special HHD nusach and some very special choreography • Explain and demonstrate bowing (two options: child’s pose or flat prostration), then guide people through it as you go	Aleinu (just the first paragraph)

		• Davener leads - bows, stands up, and finishes the paragraph as everyone stands up	
7	Ashamnu	• Intro Ashamnu - beating our chests, knocking on the door of your heart, etc.	Ashamnu
8	Anu Amecha	• Intro Anu Amecha - different language for God	Anu Amecha
9	Viddui Activity	Viddui Activity - something to connect to the idea of spiritual reflection, growth and change; confronting our mistakes or shortcomings, and committing to doing better	
10	Avodah Activity	Avodah Activity - something to connect to the rituals of the Avodah (Temple Service), with the Kohen Gadol, Beit HaMikdash, goats, etc.	
12	OPTIONAL: Eleh Ezkarah/Yizkor Activity	Eleh Ezkarah/Yizkor Activity - something to think about loss, could just be a family chavruta followed by singing a song together • Conclude with Mourners' Kaddish	Song, Mourner's Kaddish
13	Conclusion	• Have some closure/wrap-up - thank you so much for joining; we did ABC, we learned about XYZ, etc. • Announce and call out any upcoming family programming and any literature on chairs about it • Suggestions for closing: ○ Adon Olam ○ Sing the niggun you started with, if relevant	

Need:

- Explainer
- Davenner
- Welcomer
- Supplies:
 - Children's Machzorim
 - Any necessary props