# **CHANUKAH SONGS**

### I HAVE A LITTLE DREIDEL

I have a little dreidel, I made it out of clay
And when it's dry and ready then dreidel I shall play
O dreidel, dreidel, dreidel
I made it out of clay.
O dreidel, dreidel, dreidel
Now dreidel I shall play

It has a lovely body, with leg so short and thin And when it gets all tired, it drops and then I win O dreidel, dreidel, dreidel...

My dreidel's always playful, it loves to dance and spin A happy game of dreidel — come play, now let's begin! O dreidel, dreidel, dreidel...

### **ROCK OF AGES/ MAOZ TZUR**

Mah-oz tzur ye-shu-a-ti, le-chah nah-eh le-sha-bei-ach, Ti-kon beit te-fi-la-ti, ve-sham to-dah ne-za-bei-ach. Le-eit tah-chin mat-bei-ach, mi-tzar ha-me-na-bei-ach. Az eg-mor, be-shir miz-mor, cha-nu-kat ha-miz-bei-ach. (2x)

Rock of Ages, let our song
Praise Your saving power;
You, amid the raging foes,
Were our sheltering tower.
Furious they assailed us,
But Your arm availed us.
And Your word broke their *sword*,
when our own strength failed us. (2x)

## **LIGHT ONE CANDLE** (Peter Yarrow)

Light one candle for the Maccabee children, give thanks that their light didn't die.
Light one candle for the pain they endured, when their right to exist was denied.
Light one candle for the terrible sacrifice justice and freedom demand.
And light one candle for the wisdom to know when the peacemaker's time is at hand.

#### Chorus:

Don't let the light go out, it's lasted for so many years. Don't let the light go out, let it shine through our love and our tears.

Light one candle for the strength that we need to never become our own foe.

Light one candle for those who are suffering the pain we learned so long ago.

Light one candle for all we believe in, let anger not tear us apart.

And light one candle to bind us together, with peace as the song in our heart.

(Chorus)

What is the memory that's valued so highly, that we keep alive in that flame?
What's the commitment to those who have died, when we cry out: 'They've not died in vain'?
We have come this far, always believing, that justice will somehow prevail.
This is the burden, and this is the promise, and this is why we will not fail!
(Chorus)