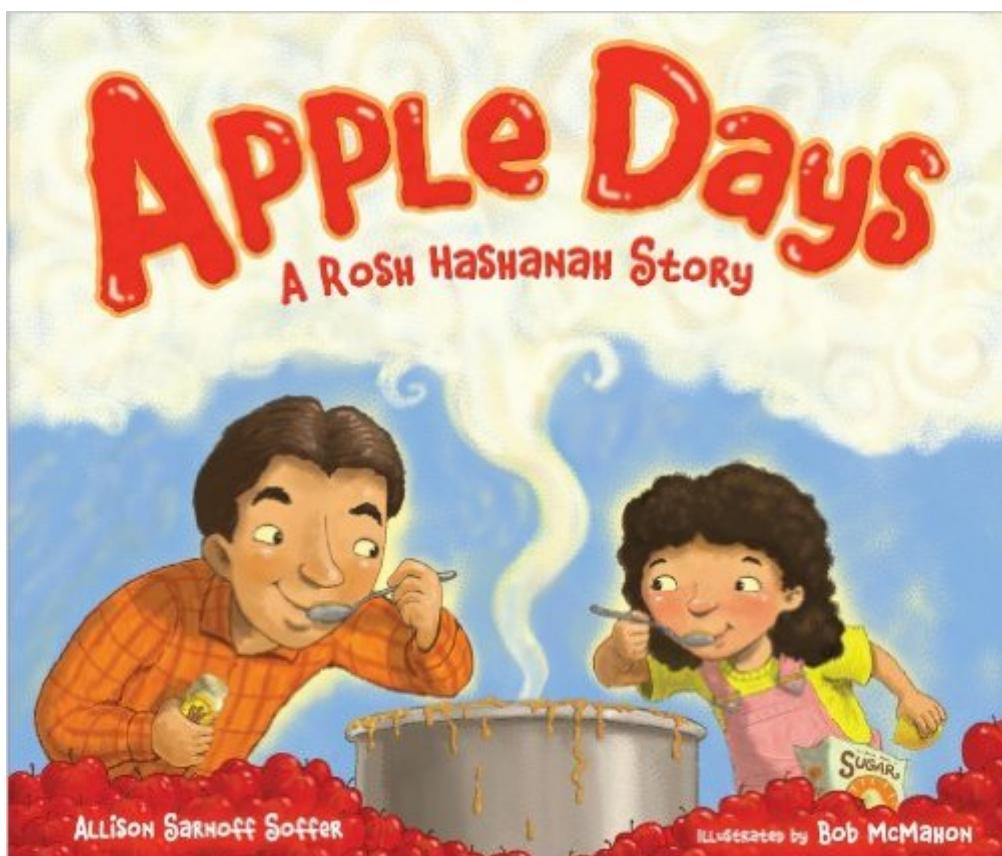


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# Apple Days: A Rosh Hashanah Story (High Holidays)



## **Synopsis**

Katy's favorite holiday is Rosh Hashanah, when she gets to pick apples and make applesauce with her mother. But what happens when the tradition is interrupted by the early arrival of her baby cousin?

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

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## **Customer Reviews**

This is a happy story about a delightful, likeable young girl that other children could easily relate to. She is family oriented and loves a tradition she and her mother have developed together. When she finds she cannot share that tradition one year because her mother is needed elsewhere, her immediate community, especially her modern and loving Dad step in. They combine to give her back her beautiful tradition in a creative but new way. She is quick to learn the value of community and the excitement of sharing with others as well as welcoming a new addition into her warm and caring family. What child would not enjoy reading about Katy's joyous world of kindness and multicultural friendships?

I loved this book! In the spirit of the best children's literature, it's a deceptively simple story with a

profound message. Katy, the lead character, learns so much about herself and others in this tale: that things don't go always the way we wish, but with an open and trusting heart, you can transcend disappointment to find a greater sense of community and self. It's a story about letting others in and finding ways to celebrate traditions even when change is afoot. Katy grows a lot in this story, and she learns she has much to teach and share with others! A great message for adults and kids alike.

I learned about this wonderful, heart-warming children's book on a PBS book review (link below). It tells the story of a young girl and her Mom who go apple picking every year at Rosh Hashanah, and how they cope one year when they're not able to go. Even though I'm not Jewish, I love this story and so do my kids! <http://www.pbs.org/parents/kitchenexplorers/2014/09/10/katys-apple-sauce/#.VCDnZqLaPTM.twitter>

A heart-warming story about friends, family, and community coming together to help a young girl fulfill an annual, and much loved, tradition - making apple sauce - when her mother can't be there. Although this story centers on the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashana, children of all faiths will be able to relate to the universal themes of creating holiday traditions, family, and pitching in to help others.

The children in Katy's class are asked what they are looking forward to this Rosh Hashanah and Katy replies "Applesauce". It's not just any kind of applesauce that she is looking forward to; it's the kind that she and her mom make on their own together. Katy is very excited about her and her mom's apple picking day that is approaching but something happens to cause her mom to have to cancel, even though it's for a good reason. The people Katy told about her apple picking day soon hear the word that it is canceled and lend her a lot of help so she will be able to make applesauce with her father in time for Rosh Hashanah. This book will educate children about how Jewish people make and eat applesauce during Rosh Hashanah, and how fun it can be to make it and give some away to people during Rosh Hashanah. The illustrations really bring out the story very well. I liked how they showed the people that Katy told about her apple picking day and how they also showed those people coming along to help her so she could make the applesauce. I really liked that there is a recipe in the back of the book as well, which an adult would need to come alongside to help a child or children make. Disclosure of Material Connection: I received a free copy of this book from Kar-Ben Publishing. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own.

I just want to say that the illustrations won me over. They were colorful and simple enough for kids to get into. This is a fabulous book for Kids and really tells the beautiful story of Rosh Hashanah in an easy to understand way.

Love this book! The illustrations are so joyful; they really put you in the holiday mood. Brought back wonderful memories. Feels like one of those books that should be passed on generation to generation. Really worth buying!

What a delightful story and expressive illustrations!Fun Rosh Hashana story with a recipe as well!After reading this story, making applesauce together will becomea holiday tradition in my house!

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