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max weinreich s history of the yiddish language is a classic of yiddish scholarship and is the only comprehensive scholarly account of the yiddish language from its origin to the present a monumental definitive work history of the yiddish language demonstrates the integrity of yiddish as a language its evolution from other languages its unique properties and its versatility and range in both spoken and written form originally published in 1973 in yiddish by the yivo institute for jewish research and partially translated in 1980 it is now being published in full in english for the first time in addition to his text weinreich s copious references and footnotes are also included in this two volume set

an interesting and quirky and sometimes irreverent look at how the yiddish language has survived all over the world jerusalem post yiddish an

oft considered gutter language is an unlikely survivor of the ages much like the jews themselves its survival has been an incredible journey especially considering how often jews have tried to kill it themselves underlying neal karlen's unique brashly entertaining yet thoroughly researched telling of the language's story is the notion that yiddish is a mirror of jewish history thought and practice for better and worse karlen charts the beginning of yiddish as a minor dialect in medieval europe that helped peasant jews live safely apart from the marauders of the first crusades incorporating a large measure of antique german dialects yiddish also included little scraps of french italian ancient hebrew aramaic the slavic and romance languages and a dozen other tongues native to the places where jews were briefly given shelter by 1939 yiddish flourished as the lingua franca of thirteen million jews after the holocaust whatever remained of yiddish its worldview and vibrant culture was almost stamped out by jews themselves yiddish was an old world embarrassment for americans anxious to assimilate in israel young proud zionists suppressed yiddish as the symbol of the weak and frightened ghetto bound jew and invented modern hebrew today a new generation has zealously sought to explore the language and to embrace its soul a renaissance that has spread to millions of non jews who now know the subtle difference between a shlemiel and a shlimazel the story of yiddish is a delightful tale of a people their place in the world and the fascinating language that held them together

in the second half of the nineteenth century jewish nationalism developed in europe one vital form of this nationalism that took root at the beginning of the twentieth century in eastern europe was the yiddishist movement which held that the yiddish language and culture should be at the center of any jewish nationalist efforts as with most european concepts of folklore the romantic nationalist ideas of j g herder on the volk were crucial in the formulation of the study and collection of yiddish folklore herder s volk however denoted the peasantry whereas polish jewry were an urban population this difference determined the focus and pioneering work that this group of collectors accomplished defining the yiddish nation examines how these folklorists sought to connect their identity with the jewish past but simultaneously develop yiddishism a movement whose eventual outcome would be an autonomous jewish national culture and a break with the biblical past itzik nakhmen gottesman analyzes the evolution of yiddish folklore and its role in the creation of yiddish nationalism in poland between the two world wars gottesman studies three important folklore circles in poland the warsaw group led by noyekh prilutski the s ansky vilne jewish historic ethnographic society and the ethnographic commission of the yivo institute in vilne this book is much more than a study of the evolution of one particular folklore tradition it is a look into the formation of a nationalist movement defining the yiddish nation will prove invaluable for scholars of jewish studies and yiddish folklore

organized in an a to z format for easy reference the jps dictionary of jewish words contains 1 200 entries derived from yiddish hebrew aramaic and english the entries include words for and associated with jewish holidays and life cycle events culture history the bible and other sacred texts

worship and more each entry has a pronunciation guide and is cross referenced to other related terms the introduction is an excellent primer on the history of jewish words their transliteration and pronunciation the indexes at the back arranged by categories help readers easily find the words they want even when they don t know the exact spelling this handy and very accessible dictionary is an excellent resource not just for jews but for anyone who wants to check the meaning spelling and or pronunciation of jewish words

a collection of song texts in yiddish and english as well as a selection of tunes rubin transcribed this volume brings the jews ancient itinerant culture alive through children s songs dancing songs and songs about love and courtship poverty and work crime and corruption immigration and the dream of a homeland rubin s notes and annotations weave each text into the larger story of the jewish experience book jacket

more than a quarter of a century ago leo rosten published the first comprehensive and hilariously entertaining lexicon of the colorful and deeply expressive language of yiddish said to give body and soul to the yiddish language the joys of yiddish went on to become an indispensable tool for writers journalists politicians and students as well as a perennial bestseller for three decades rosten described his book as a relaxed lexicon of yiddish hebrew and yinglish words often encountered in english plus dozens that ought to be with serendipitous excursions into jewish humor habits holidays history religion ceremonies folklore and cuisine the whole generously garnished with stories anecdotes epigrams talmudic quotations folk sayings and jokes to this day it is considered the seminal work on yiddish in america a true classic and a staple in the libraries of jews and non jews alike with the recent renaissance of interest in yiddish and in keeping with a language that embodies the variety and vibrancy of life itself the new joys of yiddish brings leo rosten s masterful work up to date revised for the first time by lawrence bush in close consultation with rosten s daughters it retains the spirit of the original with its wonderful jokes tidbits of cultural history talmudic and biblical references and tips on pronunciation and enhances it with hundreds of new entries thoughtful commentary on how yiddish has evolved over the years and an invaluable new english to yiddish index in addition the new joys of yiddish includes wondrous and amusing illustrations by renowned artist r o blechman

the phenomenal rise of yiddish language and culture is one of the most interesting and colorful sagas of modern jewish history in this significant book dr goldsmith relates the growth of yiddish to the explosion of jewish literature the surge of zionism and the popularity of socialism that impacted upon the jews of europe america and israel including a study of the major personalities associated with the first yiddish language conference 1908 this is the first comprehensive work to explore a movement that affected the lives of millions of jews before the holocaust and continues to influence jewish life throughout the world

the routledge handbook of language and religion is the first ever comprehensive collection of research on religion and language with over 35

authors from 15 countries presenting a range of linguistic and discourse analytic research on religion and belief in different discourse contexts the contributions show the importance of studying language and religion and for bringing together work in this area across sub disciplines languages cultures and geographical boundaries the handbook focuses on three major topics religious and sacred language institutional discourse and religious identity and community scholars from a variety of different disciplinary backgrounds investigate these topics using a range of linguistic perspectives including cognitive linguistics discourse analysis sociolinguistics pragmatics and conversation analysis the data analysed in these chapters come from a variety of religious backgrounds and national contexts linguistic data from all the major world religions are included with sacred texts conversational data and institutional texts included for analysis the handbook is intended to be useful for readers from different subdisciplines within linguistics but also to researchers working in other disciplines including philosophy theology and sociology each chapter gives both a template for research approaches and suggestions for future research and will inspire readers at every stage of their career

from bagel to shalom this children s glossary of jewish words in rhyme follows three generations of a family through a year of holidays rituals and traditions poems and illustrations tell stories in the loving way grandparents share memories with their offspring whole encouraging further discussion about the rich contribution of hebrew and yiddish to our language and society ideal for parents grandparents teachers and librarians that take pleasure in reading with children and exploring the abc s of jewish culture in an evocative fun filled way

shandler takes a wide ranging look at yiddish culture including language learning literary translation performance and material culture he examines children s books board games summer camps klezmer music cultural festivals language clubs sites cartoons and collectibles all touchstones of the meaning of yiddish as it enters its second millennium rather than mourn the language s demise adventures in yiddishland calls for taking an expansive approach to the possibilities for the future of yiddish shandler s conceptualization of postvernacularity sheds important new light on contemporary jewish culture generally and offers insights into theorizing the relation between language and culture book jacket

with a collection of quotations from literature and the press steinmetz documents the unusually high lexical semantic and intonational exchanges between yiddish and english in america he offers more than 1 200 yiddish words expressions idioms and phrases that have melted into the english vernacular

audio disc contains musical examples

to what extent do yiddish language and literature derive from the dominant values of mainstream european culture how far did this culture shape the self perception of yiddish speaking jews of central and eastern europe how far did the ambivalent antagonistic attitude adopted

towards jews over many centuries in christian europe shape modern jewish identity and culture sherman deals with such questions in his close examination of the recurring treatment of the myth of the jewish pope in four yiddish literary texts dating from between 1602 and 1943 the roots of this myth that one day a jewish apostate might come to rule the world as pope lie deep in the biblical story of the assimilation of joseph genesis 37 50 from which it branches out into numerous messianic fantasies informing jewish existence through two thousand years of exile concerned with broader questions of cultural identity this study should be of interest to a general readership

noah prylucki 1882 1941 a leading jewish cultural and political figure in pre holocaust eastern europe was a proponent of yiddishism a movement that promoted secular yiddish culture as the basis for jewish collective identity in the twentieth century prylucki s dramatic path from russified zionist raised in a ukrainian shtetl to diaspora nationalist parliamentarian in metropolitan warsaw to professor of yiddish in soviet lithuania uniquely reflects the dilemmas and competing options facing the jews of this era as life in eastern europe underwent radical transformation using hitherto unexplored archival sources memoirs interviews and materials from the vibrant interwar jewish and polish presses kalman weiser investigates the rise and fall of yiddishism and of prylucki s political party the folkists in the post world war one era jewish people yiddish nation reveals the life of a remarkable individual and the fortunes of a major cultural movement that has long been obscured

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