

MBS ELECTIVES

Machon Beth Sholom

Sunday Morning Electives – Fall 2009 – Grades 9 and 10

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_____ **i-Zionism**: Think about Israeli culture, society, or politics a lot? Does that make you a Zionist? In this course, we'll learn about the official, current definition of Zionism. Through that framework, we'll explore the history of the Zionist movement, how it has changed since its inception, its relevancy to the Jewish People today, and the role of teenagers and youth in its development. At the end of the course, you will be able to articulate your own relationship with Zionism.

_____ **The Art of The Synagogue**: If you look around you, really look around, you will see how much thought goes into the construction of a synagogue. We will explore synagogues from different times and places through drawing and through observation. We will discuss what makes a building holy, how different cultures fashion their synagogues, what elements a synagogue needs, and what would be your personal ideal synagogue.

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