Hanukkah & Kwanzaa Drawing Prompts 2026 · our own lists

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Hanukkah: 8 nights of lighting, Dec 4–11, 2026 (holiday ends nightfall Dec 12). Kwanzaa: Dec 26–Jan 1. Principles quoted from officialkwanzaa

Hanukkah — eight nights

	Night	Date	Prompt	Easier, for kids
☐	1	Fri Dec 4	**A menorah with the shamash**	Draw a candle holder with one helper candle and the first night's candle lit.
☐	2	Sat Dec 5	**A dreidel mid-spin**	A four-sided spinning top, slightly blurred as it turns.
☐	3	Sun Dec 6	**Latkes in the pan**	Round potato pancakes frying, with a little steam or oil.
☐	4	Mon Dec 7	**Sufganiyot**	Jelly doughnuts with a dusting of sugar, one with a bite taken.
☐	5	Tue Dec 8	**Gelt coins**	A small pile of chocolate coins in gold foil.
☐	6	Wed Dec 9	**A window with the menorah glowing**	A windowsill menorah seen from outside, lighting up the glass.
☐	7	Thu Dec 10	**The family at the table**	People sitting together, with candles or a simple meal.
☐	8	Fri Dec 11	**All nine flames on the last night**	The menorah fully lit: eight candles plus the shamash.

Kwanzaa — seven days (Nguzo Saba)

	Day	Date	Principle	Drawing idea
☐	1	Sat Dec 26	**Umoja (Unity)**	People gathered as one group: a family, a table, or hands meeting over the kinara.
☐	2	Sun Dec 27	**Kujichagulia (Self-Determination)**	A self-portrait, a name drawn large, or something you made that is clearly yours.
☐	3	Mon Dec 28	**Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility)**	People working on the same task: cooking, building, teaching, or sharing a job.
☐	4	Tue Dec 29	**Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics)**	A neighborhood shop, a market stall, or goods made and shared in the community.
☐	5	Wed Dec 30	**Nia (Purpose)**	A path, a plan, or a community being built or cared for, with a clear sense of direction.
☐	6	Thu Dec 31	**Kuumba (Creativity)**	Make something that beautifies a place: a mural, a patterned mkeka mat, or a designed page.
☐	7	Fri Jan 1	**Imani (Faith)**	Elders, teachers, or a quiet moment of belief: a light held steadily, or people you trust.