

ACTIVITY

Jewish Unity! What For?

Goal

To provoke participants to consider the value of Jewish unity in our diverse world

Materials Needed

Video clip, screening device and internet connection

Time Needed

45 minutes

Directions for Activity

1. Introduce to concept of Jewish Unity. It has long been a battle cry of the Jewish Community (with slogans like “We are One!). What are the participants’ associations with the word? Write their associations on the board or poster.
2. Broaden the conversation – when do they think it is important for Jews to have Jewish unity? In what contexts? During which periods of history? Furthermore, is there a shadow side to “too much unity?” Do they think there is a difference between “unity” and “uniformity?”
3. Introduce and [watch the Eli Talk by David Bratlavsky](#). His premise is that Jews should be more united and has crystallized how to get there – through 7 habits.
4. Share general reactions to the talk – did you agree, disagree with his premise?
5. In paired learning, review the 7 habits discussed in the talk and ask participants to share:
 - What’s 1 habit they agree with, and how would they actualize it in their own life?
 - What’s 1 that would push or challenge them, and what’s one step they would take to actualize that habit?
6. Close the session by asking participants to share one question or insight about which they are still thinking.