#### Being Jewish: The Spiritual and Cultural Practice of Judaism Today

by Ari L. Goldman (2000) Non-Fiction Book

A bestselling author and widely respected chronicler of Jewish life, Goldman vividly contrasts the historical meaning of Judaism's heritage with the astonishing and multiform character of the religion today.

#### The Plot Against America

by Philip Roth (2004) Fiction Book, LP, BOCD, DVD

An alternative history in which Franklin D. Roosevelt is defeated in the presidential election of 1940 by Charles Lindbergh. The novel follows the fortunes of the Roth family during the Lindbergh presidency, as antisemitism becomes more acceptable in American life and Jewish-American families like the Roths are persecuted on various levels.

#### We Need to Talk About Antisemitism

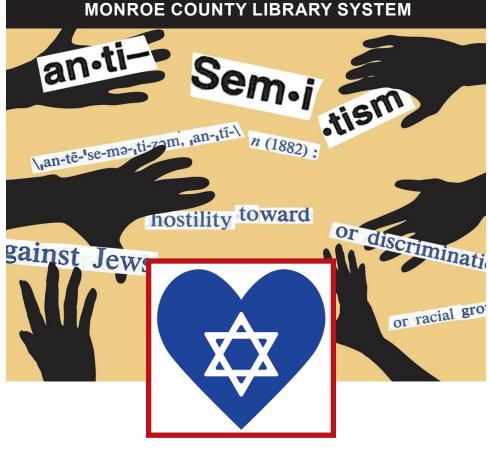
by Diana Fersko (2023) Non-Fiction Book, eBook

Exploring topics like vile myths about Jewish people and the intersection of antisemitism with other forms of discrimination, *We Need to Talk About Antisemitism* gives readers the tools they need to understand the state of antisemitism today. Fersko shows Jews and non-Jews alike how to speak up and come together, spreading a message of solidarity and hope.





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# BATTLING ANTISEMITISM BOOKLIST

All titles listed are available at libraries in the Monroe County Library System.





#### Antisemitism Here and Now: How to Spot Antisemitism in the 21st Century

by Deborah E. Lipstadt (2019) Non-Fiction

Book, eBook, eAudiobook

In a series of letters to an imagined college student and imagined colleague, both of whom are perplexed by this resurgence, acclaimed historian Deborah Lipstadt gives us her own superbly reasoned, brilliantly argued, and certain to be controversial responses to the questions; Is there any significant difference between left-wing and right-wing antisemitism? What role has the anti-Zionist movement played? And what can be done to combat the latest manifestations of antisemitism hatred?

# How to Fight Antisemitism: How to Recognize Antisemitism and How to Fight It by Bari Weiss (2019) Non-Fiction

Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Author Bari Weiss responds to the question "Could It happen Here?" following the 2018 the massacre at Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and the continued surge of hate crimes against Jews in cities and towns across the United States.

## People Love Dead Jews by Dara Horn (2022) Non-Fiction

Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Horn reflects on subjects as far-flung as the international veneration of Anne Frank, the mythology that Jewish family names were changed at Ellis Island, the blockbuster traveling exhibition Auschwitz, the marketing of the Jewish history of Harbin, China, and the little-known life of the "righteous Gentile" Varian Fry. Throughout, she challenges us to confront the reasons why there might be so much fascination with Jewish deaths, and so little respect for Jewish lives unfolding in the present.

#### Jews Don't Count: The Media and Its Portrayal of Jewish Life and Identity

by David Baddiel (2022) Non-Fiction

Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Baddiel argues that those who *think* of themselves as on the right side of history have often ignored the history of antisemitism. He outlines why and how, in a time of intensely heightened awareness of minorities, Jews don't count as a real minority, and why they should.

# Israel: A Simple Guide by Noa Tishby (2022) Non-Fiction

Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Israel. The small strip of arid land is 5,700 miles away but remains a hotbutton issue and a thorny topic of debate. But while everyone seems to have a strong opinion about Israel, how many people actually know the facts?

#### Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor by Yossi Klein Halevi (2018)

Non-Fiction; Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor is one Israeli's powerful attempt to reach beyond the wall that separates Israelis and Palestinians. In a series of letters, Yossi Klein Halevi explains what motivated him to leave his native New York in his twenties and move to Israel to participate in the drama of the renewal of a Jewish homeland, which he is committed to see succeed as a morally responsible, democratic state in the Middle East.

# My Promised Land: The Triumph and Tragedy of Israel by Ari Shavit (2013)

Non-Fiction; Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Ari Shavit's riveting work draws on historical documents, interviews, and private diaries and letters, as well as his own family's story, to create a narrative larger than the sum of its parts: both personal and of profound historical dimension. As he examines the complexities and contradictions of the Israeli condition, Shavit asks difficult but important questions: Why did Israel come to be? How did it come to be? Can it survive?

### Jewish Pride: Rebuilding a People and Reclaiming Our Story

by Ben Freeman (2021) Non-Fiction

Book

Calling on his experiences within the LGBTQIA+, Ben Freeman talks about rejecting the shame inflicted by antisemitism and reclaiming pride in being Jewish.

# It Could Happen Here: Why America is Tipping from Hate to the Unthinkable and How We Can Stop It by Jonathan Greenblatt (2022)

Non-Fiction; Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Greenblatt sounds an alarm, warning that unbridled hate and systematic violence is gathering momentum in the United States—and that violence on an even larger, more catastrophic scale could be just around the corner. But it doesn't have to be this way. Greenblatt offers a bracing primer on how we—as individuals, as organizations, and as a society—can strike back against hate. Just because it *could* happen here, he shows, does not mean that the unthinkable is inevitable.

### Israel: A Concise History of a Nation Reborn

by Daniel Gordis, Fred Sanders, et al. (2016) Non-Fiction Book, eBook, eAudiobook

Israel is a tiny state, and yet it has captured the world's attention, aroused its imagination, and lately, been the object of its opprobrium. Why does such a small country speak to so many global concerns? More pressingly: Why does Israel make the decisions it does? And what lies in its future? We cannot answer these questions until we understand Israel's people and the questions and conflicts, the hopes and desires, that have animated their conversations and actions.