



## Dreidel Song

A [dreidel](#) [לדיידר](#) or [sevivon](#), is a four-sided spinning top. The game of dreidel is traditionally played during the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah, but can be enjoyed at any time.

The dreidel is a variant of the teetotum, a gambling toy found in many European cultures. Each side of the dreidel has a letter of the Hebrew alphabet: Nun נ Gimel ג Hey ה Shin ש which together form the abbreviation for Nes Gadol Hayah Sham הנהיה לידג טנ which means "a great miracle happened there".

### Dreidel

*♩ = 90*

C G C C G

I have a lit - tle drei - del I made it out of clay and  
It has a love - ly bod - y with legs so short and thin and

3 G G | 1. G C | 2. G C

when it's dry and read - y oh drei - del I shall play I drei - del I shall play oh  
when it gets all ti - red it drops and then I win Oh

6 C C C G

drei - del drei - del drei - del I made it our of clay and

8 G G | 1. G C | 2. G C

when it's dry and read - y oh drei - del I shall play oh drei - del I shall play

I have a little dreidel. I made it out of clay.  
And when it's dry and ready, then dreidel I shall play.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, I made it out of clay.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, then dreidel I shall play.

It has a lovely body, with legs so short and thin.

When it gets all tired, it drops and then I win!  
Dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, with leg so short and thin.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, it drops and then I win!

My dreidel's always playful. It loves to dance and spin.  
A happy game of dreidel, come play now let's begin.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, it loves to dance and spin.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel. Come play now let's begin.

I have a little dreidel. I made it out of clay.  
When it's dry and ready, dreidel I shall play.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, I made you out of clay.  
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, then dreidel I shall play

*Lyrics by Samuel S. Grossman and music by Samuel E. Goldfarb (1927)*

