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## Family Hanukkah Questions

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1. What was Hanukkah like as you were growing up?
2. What's your favorite Hanukkah memory as a child?
3. As an adult?
4. What was the best Hanukkah of your life?
5. The worst?
6. What was your favorite Hanukkah tradition as a child?
7. What is your favorite Hanukkah tradition now?
8. Are there any ethnic holiday traditions you keep?
9. Are there traditions you have invented for your family?
10. If you could start a new tradition, what would it be?

11. How do you prepare for Hanukkah?

12. What part of preparing do you like the most?

13. What are the signs of Hanukkah that make you realize it's coming?

14. What is your favorite holiday song? Your least favorite?

15. How did you decorate your house for the holidays?

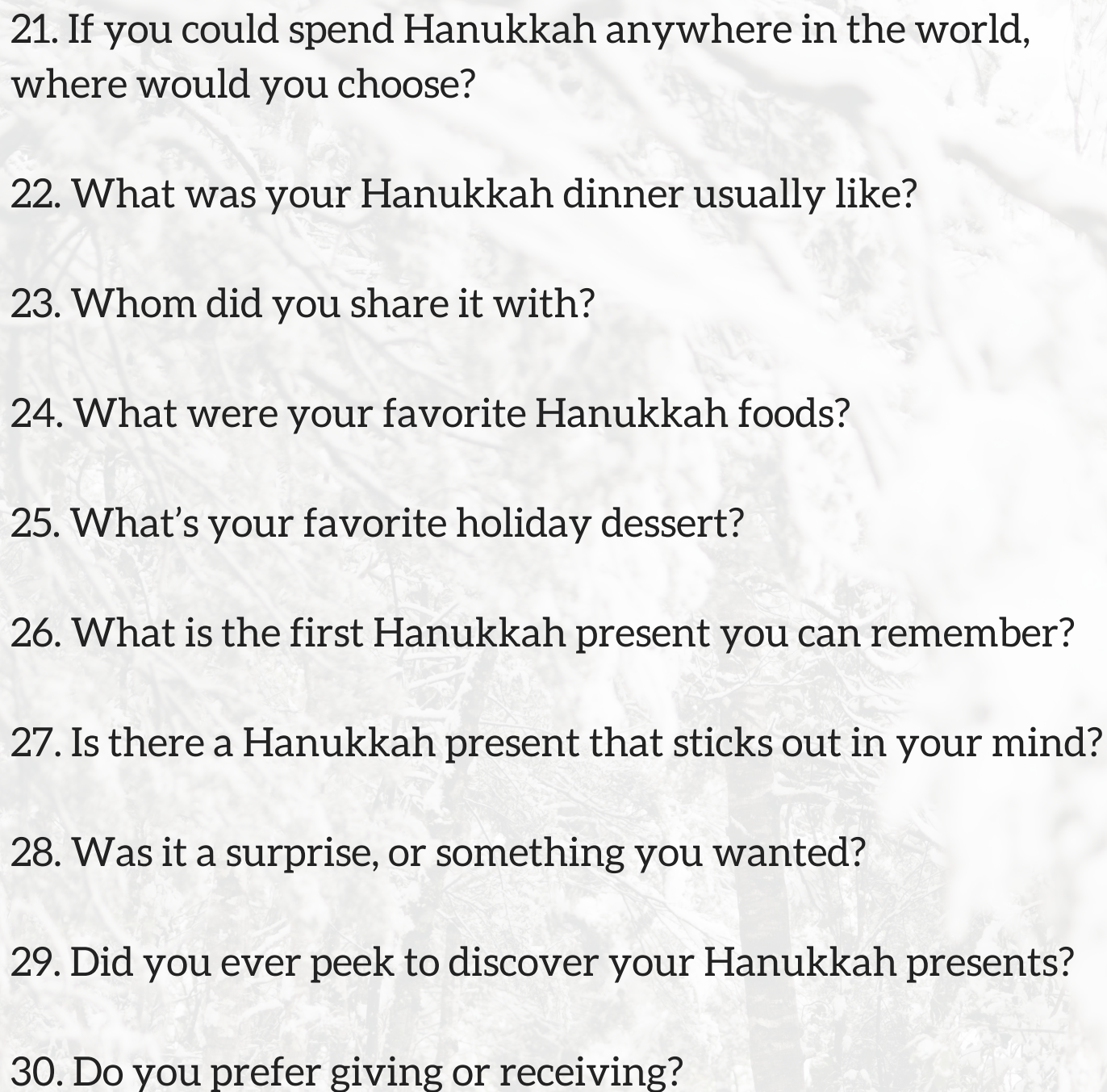
16. What Hanukkah object in your home has the most sentimental value?

17. Why?

18. What part of the Hanukkah story do you like the most?

19. What's the most important thing about Hanukkah?

20. What would your perfect Hanukkah look like?

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21. If you could spend Hanukkah anywhere in the world, where would you choose?
  22. What was your Hanukkah dinner usually like?
  23. Whom did you share it with?
  24. What were your favorite Hanukkah foods?
  25. What's your favorite holiday dessert?
  26. What is the first Hanukkah present you can remember?
  27. Is there a Hanukkah present that sticks out in your mind?
  28. Was it a surprise, or something you wanted?
  29. Did you ever peek to discover your Hanukkah presents?
  30. Do you prefer giving or receiving?

31. What's the best Hanukkah you gave someone else?

32. How long before Hanukkah do you begin gift shopping?

33. What's more important than gifts during Hanukkah?

34. What activity have you always wanted to do during Hanukkah but have never done?

35. Did you celebrate the holiday by attending synagogue?

36. What was it like?

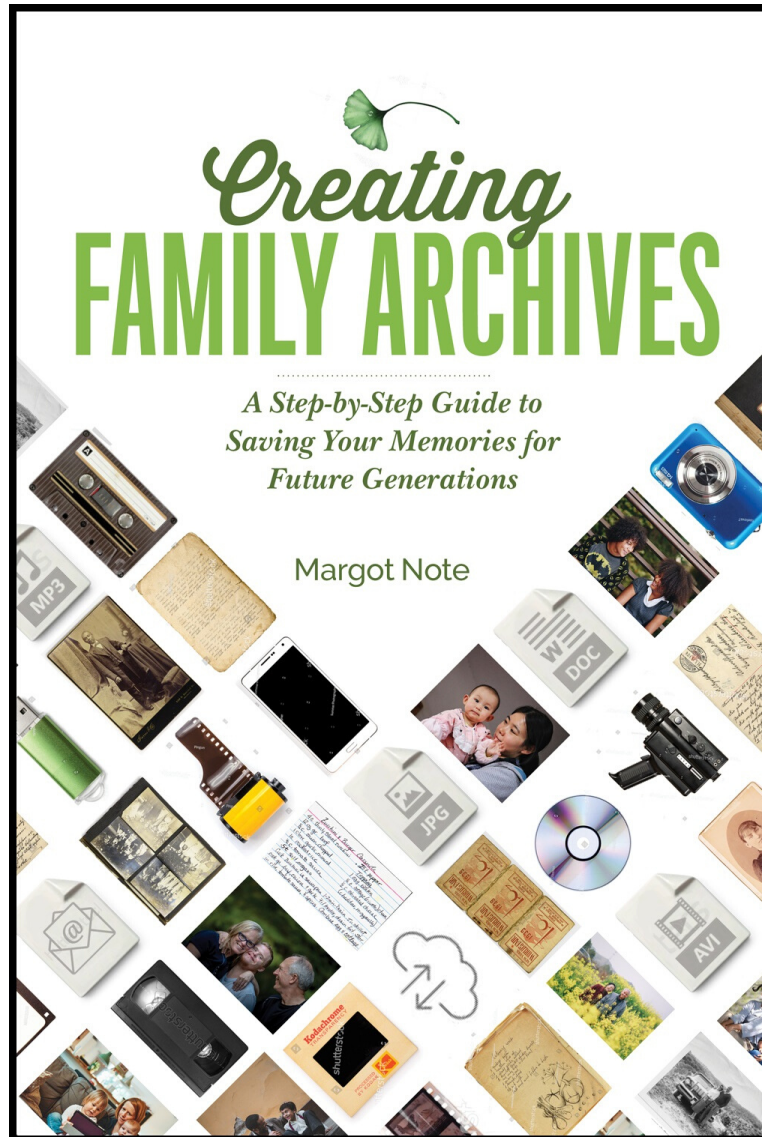
37. What is one thing that gives you hope for the new year?

38. What is one word to describe the last year?

39. What are three things that brought you joy in the last year?

40. What will you do in the new year to bring peace to your home?

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