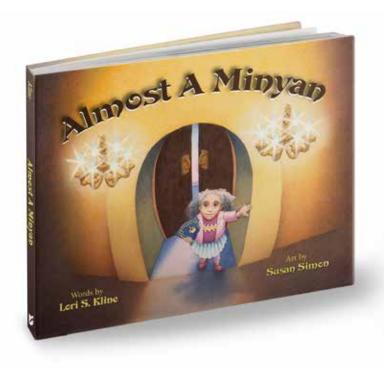
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Will she be the one to take Grandfather's place?

According to Jewish tradition, a quorum of ten adults is required for public worship. *Almost a Minyan* traces the story of a young girl whose father and grandfather are regular participants in the town's minyan - until her beloved Zayde passes on.

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"One morning soon after, he came to my door;
His eyes held a twinkle; why? what on earth for?

"My daughter," he beckoned, his voice like a song,

"Let's make a minyan. You must come along!"

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