

Puppet Show Script

A puppet show with the following characters:

Jun, an Asian girl puppet (pronounced June)

Benita, a Latino girl (pronounced Ben - eé - tah)

Timothy, a Caucasian boy

Adofo, an African boy (pronounced Uh - dóh - fo)

Timothy: Hi guys! (*greeting Jun, Benita and Adofo*) Do you want to hear a new song that I just learned? It's called the Sh'ma.

Jun: The Sh'ma?

Benita: What's that?!?

Timothy: Just listen. It goes like this. (*play the recording of Isaac Stearns singing the Sh'ma or Timothy the puppet can sing the Sh'ma*)

**"Sh'ma Yis'ra'el Adonai Eloheinu Adonai echad.
Barukh sheim k'vod malkhuto l'olam va'ed."**

Jun: (*excitedly*) Wow!!!! That's great! I love it!

Benita: Me too! That was great Timothy!

Adofo: Amazing!

Jun, Benita & Adofo: (*together puzzled*) What does it mean?!

Timothy: It's called the Sh'ma. It comes from the Bible. It's a Hebrew prayer that you can sing.

Adofo: Where did you learn it?

Timothy: I learned it from my neighbor. His name is Professor Biynah. He knows lots of things about the Bible.

Jun: What do the words mean in English? I can't understand He-grew.

Benita: (*at first looking around, not paying attention, then jumping into the conversation*) He grew! How much did he grow? I grew 2 inches last month.

Timothy: Not HEGREW, HEBREW. It's what some of the people speak in a country called Israel.

Jun: So, what do the words mean in English?

Timothy: It means:

**"Hear, O Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is One.
Blessed be the Name of His glorious kingdom forever and ever."**

(Stop here for 3 year olds and immature 4 year olds)

*From here you can choose to teach the Sh'ma in the original Hebrew (**Bold**) or the English translation.*

Adofo: Will you teach it to us in English? Will you teach it to us in Hebrew?

Timothy: Sure. Say if after me, ok? You too boys and girls!

Jun, Benita & Adofo: OK!

Timothy: Hear, O Israel. **Sh'ma Yis'ra'el**

Jun, Benita & Adofo: Hear, O Israel, **Sh'ma Yis'ra'el**

Timothy: the Lord our God, **Adonai Eloheinu.**

Jun, Benita & Adofo: the Lord our God, **Adonai Eloheinu.**

Timothy: the Lord is One, **Adonai echad**

Jun, Benita & Adofo: the Lord is One, **Adonai echad**

Timothy: Blessed be the Name, **Barukh sheim k'vod**

Jun, Benita & Adofo: Blessed be the Name, **Barukh sheim k'vod**

Timothy: of His glorious Kingdom, **malkhuto**

Jun, Benita & Adofo: of His glorious Kingdom, **malkhuto**

Timothy: forever and ever. **I'olam va'ed**

Jun, Benita & Adofo: forever and ever. **I'olam va'ed**

Jun, Benita, Adofo & Timothy: Amen!