Baruch ata adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam asher kiddishanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel (shabbat v'shel) yom ha-kippurim.

After lighting candles, it is traditional to recite the prayer for reaching milestones:

בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְהֹנָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהֶחֶיָנוּ וְקִיְּמְנוּ וִהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְּמָך הַזֶּה

Baruch ata adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam shehechiyanu v'kiyimanu v'higiyanu la-zman ha-zeh.

בר שֶל יום כיפור Blessing over the Yom Kippur Candle Lighting

On Yom Kippur, the Jewish Day of Atonement, Jews usually eat a final pre-fast meal and then light candles at home before heading to synagogue in time for Kol Nidre, a prayer that is said in the last moments before the sun goes down.

Before lighting candles on Yom Kippur, make sure you and your family is fed and. Once the candles are lit, your fast has begun. Many people also bless their children before lighting the candles.

For Yom Kippur, it is traditional to light two holiday candles, just like Shabbat

Blessing for lighting candles

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יְהֹנָה אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשְׁנוּ בָּמִצְוֹתִיו וְצָוְנוּ לְהַדְלִיק גֵר שֶׁל (שַׁבָּת וְשֶׁל) יוֹם הַכִּפּוּרִים