Tanakh-Knock Jokes (Examining Jewish Comedy)

Underpinning Goal: What can we learn about Jewish culture and Judaism through an examination of their comedy?

* With a partner, view various standup routines by or about the Jewish religion or culture. Start your research by identifying some famous Jewish comedians (Sarah Silverman, Jerry Seinfeld, Seth Rogan, Adam Sandler, etc.)
* Will come together whole-group and share our findings with each other (not on the Smartboard), trying to come up with approx. a half hour of APPROPRIATE-FOR-CLASS routines or clips
* Class viewing of the “presentation”, with discussion/notes regarding the answering of the central focus
* Written reaction piece OF AT LEAST 2 pages, typed, double spaced (TNR 12 Font) in which you will discuss:

1. Stereotypes highlighted by the various Jewish comedians
2. Things you learned about being Jewish (cultural or religious) from your viewings

* Assignments should be completed in MLA format

