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A PASSOVER JOURNEY

BREAK

FREE

HOLIDAY HOW-TO: BONUS PAGES INSIDE!

INSIDE:

HEY KIDS!

Look out, freedom season is up ahead! On Passover we celebrate the great miracle of our exodus: G-d redeeming us from slavery in Egypt. And it doesn't end with a three thousand year old tale—the lessons of liberty carry on into our lives.

Freedom is the ability to express who we are deep down, our Jewish souls. By eating matzah, drinking four cups of wine, and discussing the story of Passover, we declare our ability to break free from all those challenges holding us back from doing what's right.


G-d took us out of Egypt then, and He continues to help us push past our barriers now; no Pharaoh or evil inclination has any power over us.

This Passover, stand up for Torah values, let go of your limits, and unleash your true, holy, and awesome self!

HOLIDAY TIMES


THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015

13 NISSAN

 Search for chametz after


SHABBAT, APRIL 4, 2015

15 NISSAN

 Light candles after


FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

21 NISSAN

 Light candles before


FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2015

14 NISSAN

 Finish eating chametz before


SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2015


16 NISSAN

 Holiday ends at

SHABBAT, APRIL 11, 2015


22 NISSAN


 Shabbat/Passover ends at

 Sell and burn chametz before

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2015

20 NISSAN

 Light candles at

 Light candles at



4 BREAK FREE

Everything is awesome—in the end, at least



8 HOLIDAY CHEF:

A matzah vs. chametz showdown



10 I SHPY

Can you find the crumbs hidden in every nook?



18 QUIZ-URSELF

How fit is your holiday knowledge muscle?



"The Festival of Passover happens every year—not only to remind us of our ancestor's liberation, but also to empower us to break free from all of the challenges we face in an effort to lead a Torah-true life."

—The Lubavitcher Rebbe



LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF PASSOVER



THIS CHANUKAH



THESE KIDS DARED THEMSELVES—
AND WON.



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A PASSOVER JOURNEY BREAK FREE

THE JEWS WERE LIVING COMFORTABLY IN EGYPT. THEY HELD HIGH GOVERNMENT POSITIONS AND MADE LOTS OF MONEY.

I HAVE TO SAY, EGYPT IS A PRETTY GREAT PLACE TO LIVE.

UNTIL PHARAOH PASSES AWAY...

OUR OLD RULER WAS A REALLY NICE GUY. NOT SURE ABOUT THIS NEW ONE THOUGH. HE SEEMS KIND OF...MEAN?

SUDDENLY, EVENTS TAKE A TURN FOR THE WORSE...



DOUBT

I DON'T REALLY GET THIS WHOLE "BUILD PYRAMIDS" SCHEME. TODAY, MOM AND DAD MISSED WORK AND WE KIDS SKIPPED SCHOOL TO CONSTRUCT TOWERS FOR PHARAOH. GUESS WE'RE JUST BEING GOOD CITIZENS?



ANGER

SOMETHING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT. EVERY DAY WE TREK TO CONSTRUCTION SITES TO BUILD CITIES, ROADS, AND PYRAMIDS. NONE OF THE EGYPTIANS ARE EVEN PART OF THE EFFORT ANYMORE—THEY JUST WATCH AND YELL AT US. HOW IS THAT EVEN FAIR?!



HORROR

OH MAN, THIS IS BAD: WE'RE SLAVES NOW. THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO DESCRIBE THE BACKBREAKING WORK WE'VE BEEN FORCED INTO.



MEANWHILE, IN THE PALACE...



WORRY

ALL THE JEWS HAVE BEEN FORCED INTO HARD LABOR—MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN—BUT SOMEHOW THAT DOESN'T STOP THEIR NATION FROM GROWING BIGGER AND BIGGER!



FEAR

DID YOU HEAR THE ASTROLOGER'S PREDICTION? A JEWISH BABY BOY IS GOING TO OVERTHROW MY RULE...WE CAN'T LET THIS HAPPEN—MY KINGDOM IS AT RISK!

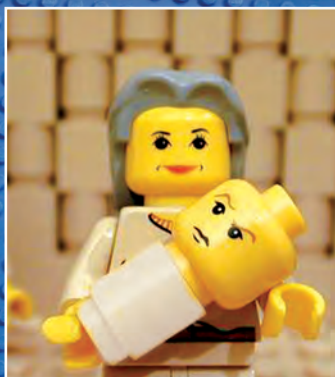


RELIEF

I HAVE AN IDEA! WE'LL THROW ALL THE NEWBORN BOYS INTO THE NILE, AND MY THRONE WILL BE SAFE.



THEN A HOLY JEWISH BABY IS BORN: MOSES. TO SAVE HIM FROM DEATH, HIS MOTHER FLOATS HIM IN A BASKET ON THE NILE. PRINCESS BATYA, DAUGHTER OF PHARAOH, FINDS HIM AND ADOPTS THE CHILD AS HER OWN.



80 YEARS LATER...



OUCH

I LITERALLY CAN'T EVEN. WE'VE BEEN MAKING 400 BRICKS FROM SCRATCH EVERY DAY. HOW MUCH LONGER WILL WE HAVE TO SUFFER? G-D, PLEASE, OH PLEASE, SAVE US!

WORD ON THE STREET IS THAT A SHEPHERD NAMED MOSES IS GOING TO GET US OUT OF HERE. APPARENTLY HE SHOWED UP AT PHARAOH'S PALACE AS A MESSENGER OF G-D.

PHARAOH'S BEING ONE STUBBORN KING. NOT ONLY DOES HE REFUSE TO LET US LEAVE, BUT HE DOUBLED OUR WORKLOAD! C'MON, MOSES, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR PROMISE?!

LET MY PEOPLE GO!

◀ Moses

IT'S TIME FOR THE CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE TO GET INVOLVED...

THE TEN PLAGUES BEGIN...



TAKE THAT, EGYPTIANS!
DON'T SAY I DIDN'T
WARN YOU.

1 BLOOD

EW, NONE
OF OUR WATER
IS DRINKABLE!



2 FROGS

SLIMY GREEN
AMPHIBIANS, EVERYWHERE
I TURN. GROSS!



3 LICE

I CAN'T STOP ITCHING.
THESE CREEPY BUGS ARE
CRAWLING ALL OVER ME.



4 BEASTS

RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!
HUNGRY, VICIOUS CREATURES
ON THE PROWL.



5 ANIMAL DEATH

OUR COWS, CHICKENS,
GOATS—GONE! DOES THIS
MEAN NO MORE HOT DOGS?



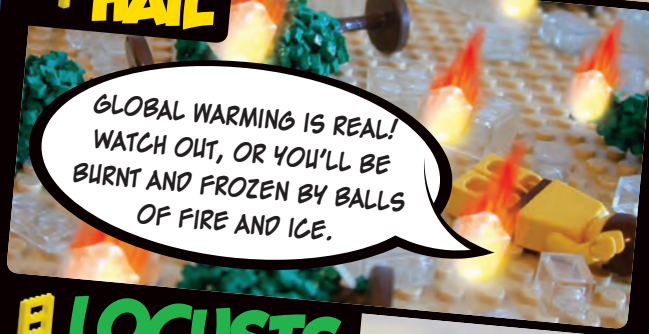
6 BOILS

THESE GIANT,
PAINFUL BLISTERS
MAKE YESTERDAY'S
ACNE LOOK LIKE
FRECKLES.



7 HAIL

GLOBAL WARMING IS REAL!
WATCH OUT, OR YOU'LL BE
BURNT AND FROZEN BY BALLS
OF FIRE AND ICE.



8 LOCUSTS

THE SWARMS OF GRASSHOPPERS
CAME AND WENT, AND NOW WE'VE GOT A
FAMINE ON OUR HANDS.



9 DARKNESS

HELP! I
CAN'T SEE
A THING.

I'M
AFRAID OF
THE DARK!



10 DEATH

AT MIDNIGHT, ALL FIRSTBORNS
ARE GOING TO PERISH.



ALRIGHT,
ALRIGHT. I GIVE
UP. YOU WIN.
JEWS, GET OUT
OF HERE!



FREEDOM AT LAST

THE EGYPTIANS ARE FREAKING OUT WHILE THE LAST PLAGUE RAGES ON. MEANWHILE, THE JEWS FOLLOW G-D'S COMMAND AND EAT THE KORBAN PESACH MEAT FROM THE LAMBS THAT WERE TIED TO THEIR BEDPOSTS FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS.

YUM, YUM!

THREE DAYS LATER, AND FREEDOM HAS BEEN GOING WELL. THE JEWS ARE ON THEIR WAY TO THE PROMISED LAND WHEN THE DRAMA BEGINS...

GOLD, SILVER, AND JEWELS HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM OUR DEAR EGYPTIAN FRIENDS—PAYBACK FOR THE 210 YEARS OUR NATION LABORED. FINALLY, WE'RE RICH AGAIN!

BAKING BREAD? AIN'T NOBODY GOT TIME FOR THAT. SLING THE DOUGH OVER YOUR SHOULDER AND LET THE SCORCHING SUN WORK ITS MAGIC.

WE'RE ALL GOING TO DIE!!!

OR MAYBE WE SHOULD FIGHT.

BUT WE'LL NEVER WIN.

OH, I DON'T KNOW. G-D, HELP US!!!

ONWARD, JEWS! G-D SAID TO GO FORTH—WE FORGE AHEAD!

◀ Nachshon

I DON'T WANT THEM TO KILL US; LET'S JUMP INTO THE OCEAN.

WE SHOULD SURRENDER... AND GO BACK TO EGYPT... AT LEAST THEN WE'LL STAY ALIVE.

SHOCK

ARE THOSE EGYPTIANS BEHIND US? AND THE RED SEA'S AHEAD OF US... PANIC ATTACK!

BETTER THAN ANY AQUARIUM: GLASS-LIKE WALLS OF WATER AND DRY LAND BENEATH MY FEET. IS THIS WHAT PARADISE FEELS LIKE?

IN A STUNNING SHOW OF MIRACLES, THE SEA SPLITS AND THE JEWS WALK THROUGH UNHARMED.

GET THOSE TAMBOURINES READY. WE'RE SAFE ON THE SHORE AND THE EGYPTIANS HAVE DROWNED. LET'S SING OUR PRAISE TO G-D!

THANK YOU, OUR G-D, FOR LEADING US FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM AT LAST.

OFF THE MENU CHAMETZ

A delightful combination of leavened grains and water

Wheat, barley, rye, oat, and spelt all turn into chametz

Water starts the leavening process

The flour-water mixture turns into chametz at the 18-minute mark

We clean out our homes to get rid of all chametz before Passover starts

Before the holiday begins, we sell the chametz we want to keep, so we can be Passover-ready without throwing our cereal away

Visit Chabad.org/SellChametz to sell your chametz before Passover!



Dough made from one of the five grains gets bigger and bigger every minute, inflating with air as it rises—similar to the way an ego expands with self-importance. Sweeping away all chametz in preparation for Passover reminds us to search inside of ourselves for traces of empty pride, destroying the arrogance that doesn't leave any room for G-d or others.



Holiday PASSOVER

Turn the oven up to **2,000 degrees**, so that the matzos can be baked fast enough

For eight days straight, we only eat foods that are **kosher for Passover**



"Shmurah" means **guarded**; the flour is watched from harvest time to ensure that it does not come in contact with any moisture

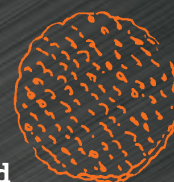
The dough is kneaded, rolled out, and baked, all in **less than 18 minutes**

Be sure to get some of **your very own shmurah matzah** to eat on Passover, most importantly for the Seder nights



My Chef OVER

You are what you eat, and that's why on the night of the Seder it's a mitzvah to consume the "Bread of Faith" we call matzah. Pesach is a time for personal liberty, and the plain, humble crackers remind us of the complete trust we had in G-d as we rushed out of Egypt with no time to bake our bread. Think about it: when you set aside selfish desires and commit to something greater, you can feel truly liberated. When you crunch on that matzah, freedom becomes a part of you!



I shpy

CHAMETZ

When Passover-cleaning's finish line comes into view, and the night before Pesach rolls around, it's time for the Bedikas Chametz ritual. It's almost like playing hide and seek! Put away ten pieces of paper-wrapped bread, make a blessing, and grab your gear to begin. Use the light of a **candle** to search every nook and cranny of your house for the hidden chametz—and maybe the remains of last year's birthday cake while you're at it. With a **feather**, sweep whatever leavened morsels you find onto a wooden **spoon** and into a paper bag. On the morning before the first Seder, we set fire to any chametz found the night before.

It's the night before Passover, and Yehudah and Sara have lots to do. Can you help these siblings with their search-and-destroy mission?

I shpy 2 bagels, 2 baguettes, and 2 cakes,
4 cookies, a vacuum, and a box of bran flakes.

I shpy 2 cheerios, a sponge, and a slice of apple pie,
2 pretzels, a pizza, and bread made of rye.

I shpy a granola bar, pasta, and a towel that's red,
Windex, a mop, and 10 slices of bread.

I shpy plastic gloves, 5 cookies, and 5 hamantaschen,
A challah, some brownies, and 2 blueberry muffins.



CHETA A CLUE

OY VEY!

The objects on the Seder plate
have gone MISSING!

But luckily some
CLUES were left behind...

Can you help
Inspector Isaac
figure out where
everything belongs?

2

The longer I boil,
The harder I go,
The Jews were enslaved
But continued to grow.
A symbol of life,
I also stand for
The Festival Offering
Given of yore.

1

The Passover Offering
We held so dear
In the Holy Temple,
A lamb of one year.
I'm just here to look at,
Don't eat me tonight.
A symbol of freedom,
An arm full of might.

3

Be warned—I am sharp,
Though I have no blade.
Slavery was bitter;
For freedom they prayed.
Eat me with matzah
And eat me alone
I may be hard to swallow—
You may have to moan.

4

Bricks of deep red
And mortar of brown
If they were not made,
More children would drown.
A mixture of apples,
Nuts and red wine
I may not look good,
But they say I taste fine.

5

I'm dipped in salt water,
Like that of the tide.
Which stands for the millions
Of tears that were cried.
I'm one of four questions
You ask on this night.
There's a meal still to come,
So just take a bite.

6

Just like my brother,
I'm not very sweet
Some of you may find me
Too bitter to eat.
Put me in a sandwich
Of matzah and maror,
You'll remember the slavery,
That is for sure.



ROASTED BONE



HORSERADISH ROOT



ROMAINE LETTUCE



KARPAS



CHAROSET



HARD-BOILED EGG

Fill in the number here.

Inspector Isaac's
Investigative Notebook:
**CONFIDENTIAL
KEEP OUT**

SEDER SECRETS

Each of the 4 Cups need to hold at least 2.9 ounces of wine or grape juice. Drink the first at Kadesh, the second after Maggid, the third after Berach, and the fourth after Hallel.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הגפן:
Ba-ruch Atah Ado-nai Elo-heinu Melech ha-olam
bo-rai pri ha-gafen.



Note to self: Don't forget the pillow this year! I need to lean to the left while eating matzah and drinking 4 cups.



This is sure to leave a trail! I need to eat at least 2 ounces of matzah during the Seder.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, המוציא לחם מן הארץ:
Ba-ruch Atah Ado-nai Elo-heinu Melech ha-olam
ha-motzi lechem min ha-aretz.



ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו על אכילת מצה:
Ba-ruch Atah Ado-nai Elo-heinu Melech ha-olam
asher kid-shanu be-mitzvotav ve-tzivanu al achilat matzah.

Talk about a bitter pill to swallow! I've got to down at least 0.7 ounces of bitter herbs and romaine lettuce.

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו על אכילת מרור:
Ba-ruch Atah Ado-nai Elo-heinu Melech ha-olam
asher kid-shanu be-mitzvotav ve-tzivanu al achilat maror.

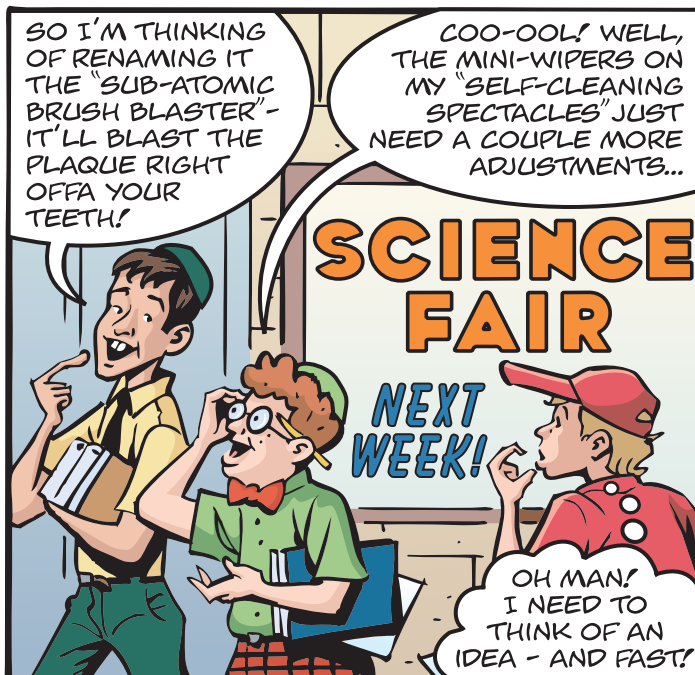
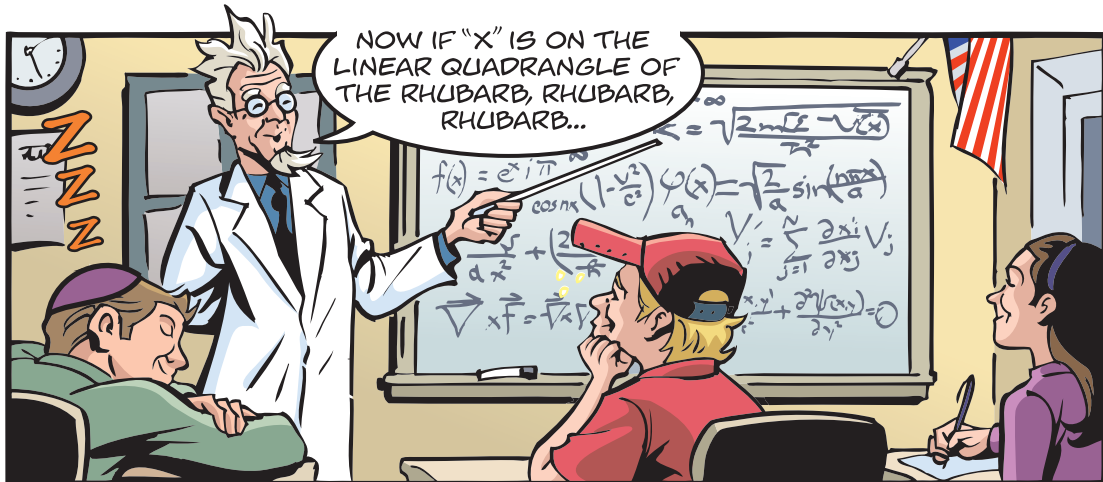


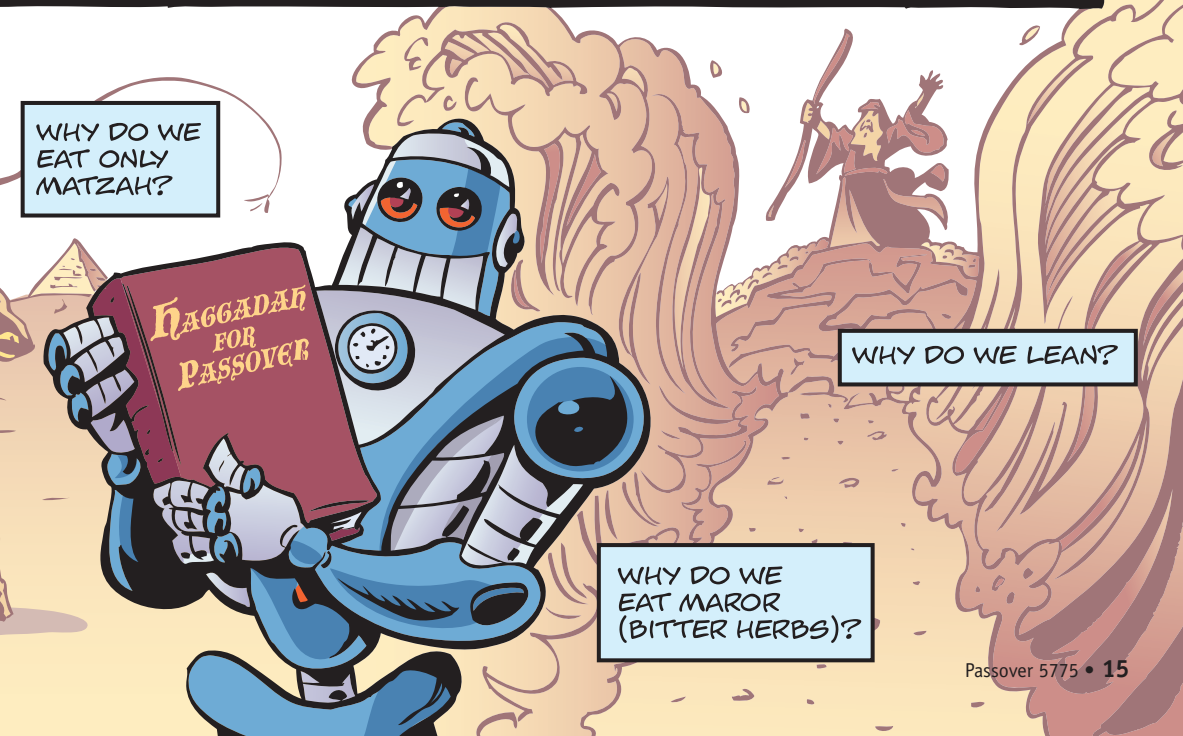
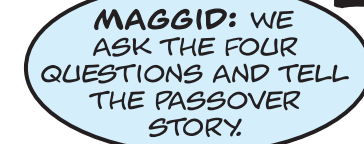
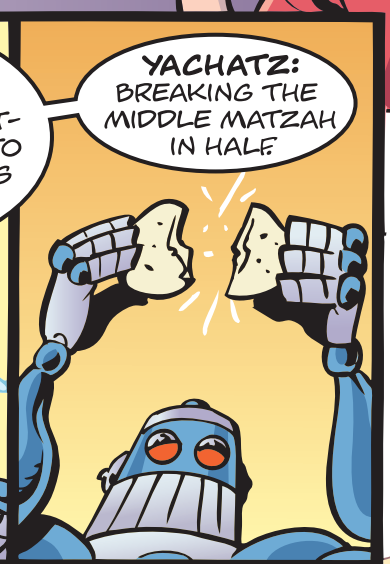
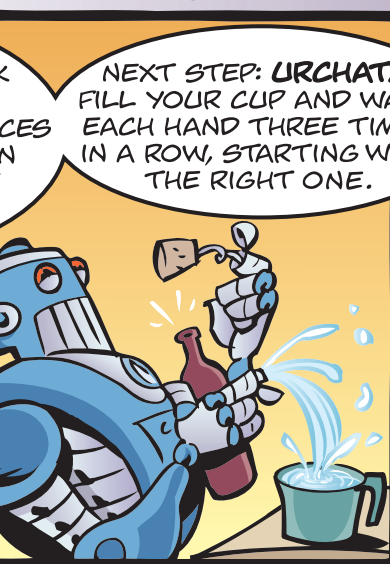
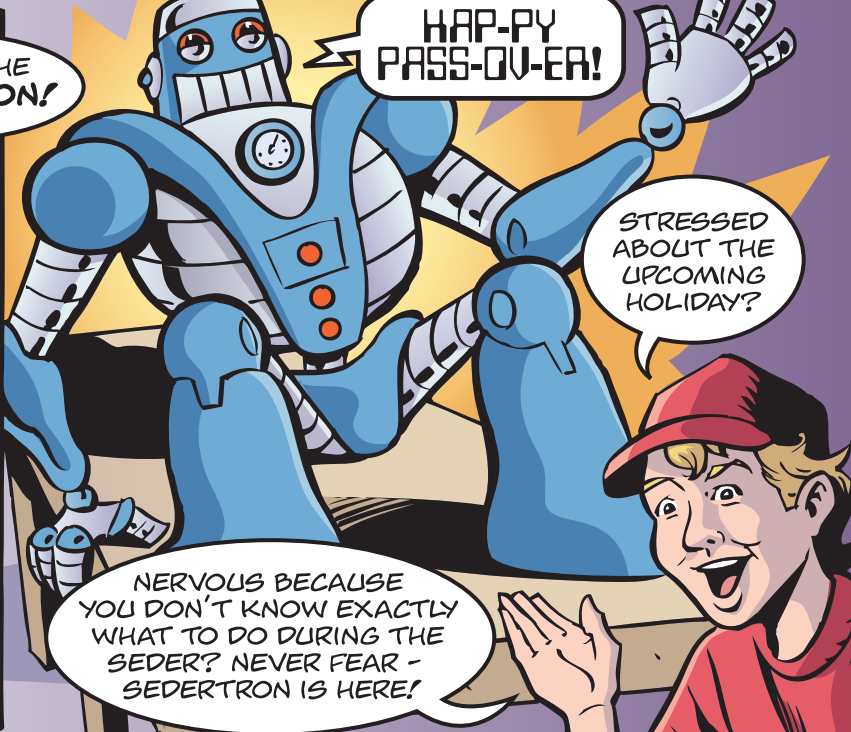
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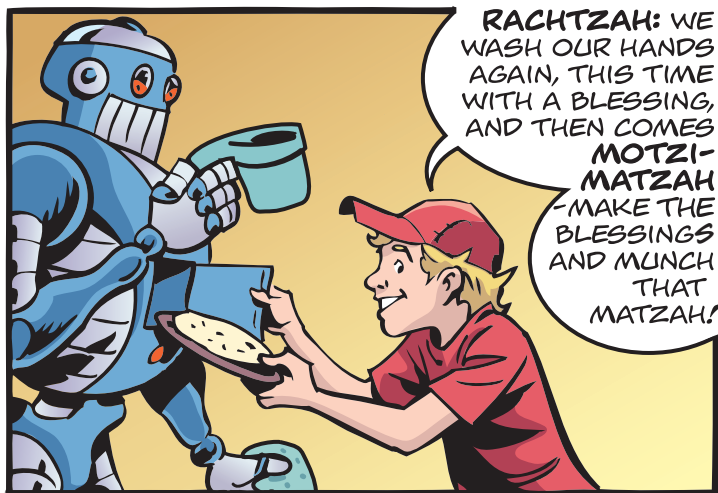


HELLO
my name is
ISAAC

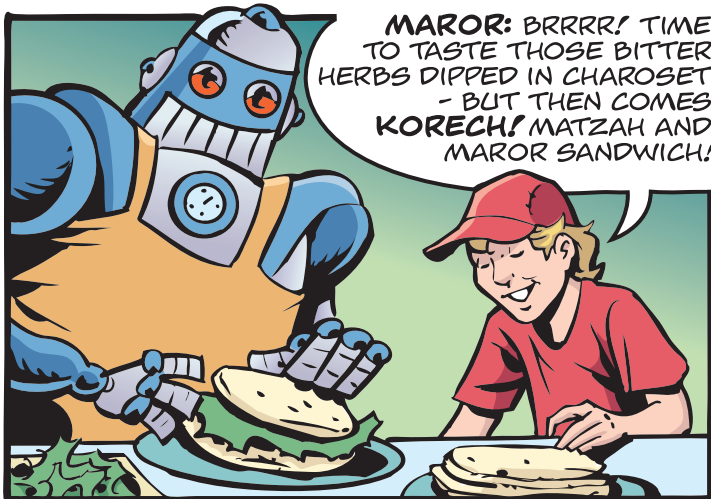
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IN...
**SCIENTRIFIC
SEDER**



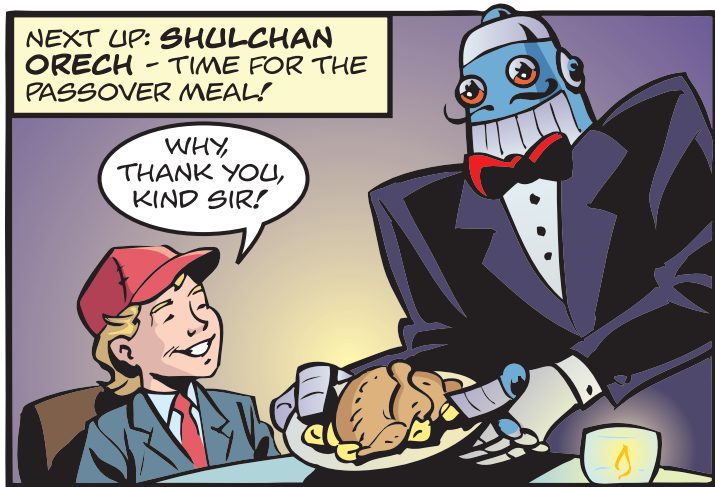




RACHTZAH: WE WASH OUR HANDS AGAIN, THIS TIME WITH A BLESSING, AND THEN COMES **MOTZI-MATZAH** - MAKE THE BLESSINGS AND MUNCH THAT MATZAH!

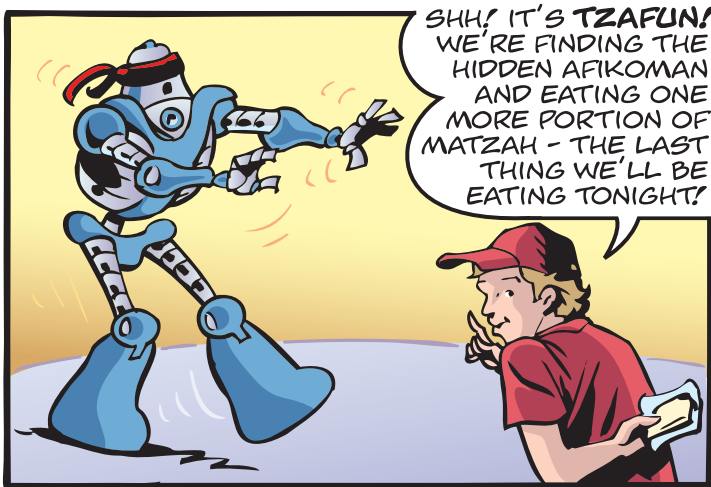


MAROR: BRRRR! TIME TO TASTE THOSE BITTER HERBS DIPPED IN CHAROSET - BUT THEN COMES **KORECH!** MATZAH AND MAROR SANDWICH!

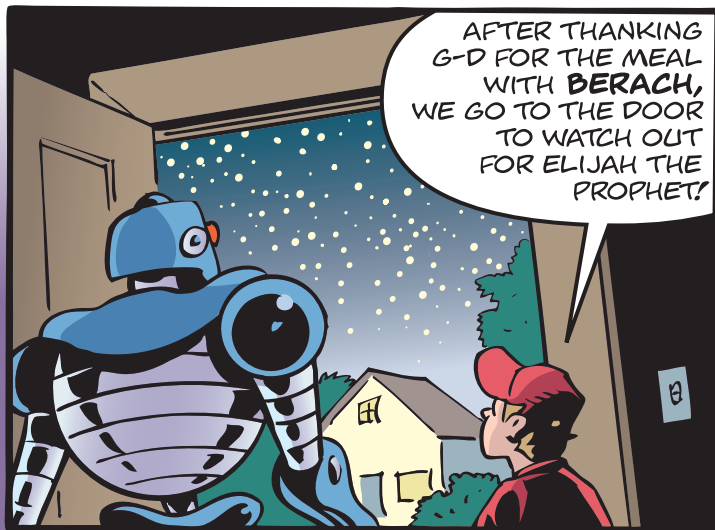


NEXT UP: SHULCHAN ORECH - TIME FOR THE PASSOVER MEAL!

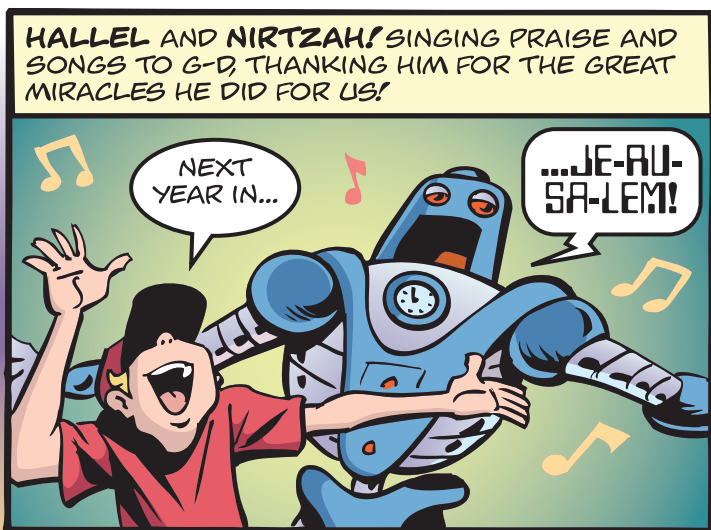
WHY, THANK YOU, KIND SIR!



SHH! IT'S **TZAFUN!** WE'RE FINDING THE HIDDEN AFIKOMAN AND EATING ONE MORE PORTION OF MATZAH - THE LAST THING WE'LL BE EATING TONIGHT!



AFTER THANKING G-D FOR THE MEAL WITH **BERACH**, WE GO TO THE DOOR TO WATCH OUT FOR ELIJAH THE PROPHET!



HALLEL AND NIRTZAH! SINGING PRAISE AND SONGS TO G-D, THANKING HIM FOR THE GREAT MIRACLES HE DID FOR US!

NEXT YEAR IN...

...JE-RU-SA-LEM!



IF YOU HAVEN'T GOT A SEDERTRON OF YOUR OWN, DON'T PANIC -

JUST GO TO YOUR NEAREST JEWISH BOOKSTORE AND PICK UP A PASSOVER HAGGADAH TO GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE SEDER!

HAPPY...

...PASS-OV-ER!



Watch the animated Joey comic online! Check out jewishkids.org/2171502

Many years ago, in a small European town, there lived a poor woodcutter named Chaim. Back then, people used ovens for heat and needed a constant supply of firewood. Each winter, Chaim earned a living by filling his wheelbarrow with twigs and branches to sell in the village.

His earnings were meager, but, thank G-d, he managed to get by. Then one winter, there was such a severe snowstorm that Chaim couldn't even leave the house.

As the days passed, he and his wife, Breina, grew more and more desperate. "How will we feed our children if you can't work?" she despaired. "How will we afford matzah and wine for our Seder?"

"G-d will help us," answered Chaim calmly. "But we must try to help ourselves too. Is there anything left in the house that we can sell?"

Breina looked at her husband with raised eyebrows. "We've pawned everything of value long ago... but we still have our silver Cup of Elijah. Perhaps we should sell it as well, so we can have some matzah for the holiday?"

Chaim disagreed. "What sort of Seder could we celebrate without Elijah's Cup? No, I have faith that G-d will help us."

The night before Passover, like every other Jew, Chaim paid a visit to his rabbi to sell his chametz. As Chaim stood there, the rabbi could tell the forlorn Jew had worries weighing on his mind.

"Chaim, is there something you wish to ask me?"

"Um, yes, rabbi," said Chaim, shuffling nervously. "I was wondering...can you tell me if the Torah permits using milk instead of wine for the four cups at the Seder?" Wine was expensive, but Chaim had a cow who gave plentiful milk.



Hmmm, the rabbi thought, If poor Chaim is planning to use milk at the Seder, that means he has no meat, no chicken soup, and probably no other food for Passover! He probably doesn't have fish or matzah either!

"See here, Reb Chaim," the rabbi responded as he opened his drawer. "You've given me a difficult question to answer. I wish I had time to look into the matter, but the holiday is drawing near. How about if I give you a loan instead—then you can buy wine and whatever else you need for the Seder."

Chaim expressed his gratitude to the rabbi and hurried off. With a light heart he rushed home to show the money to his astonished wife. "See, I told you that the Almighty would take care of us," said Chaim. "And without having to sell Elijah's silver cup!"

Chaim, Breina, and their children had a beautiful Seder that year. As the night drew to a close, Breina took a candle and opened the door for Elijah the Prophet. To her surprise, there stood an old Jew with a long white beard and kind eyes, someone whom she had never seen before. She invited him to join them at the Seder. As the guest sat down, his glance fell admiringly on Elijah's Cup.

"What a lovely silver wine goblet!" he said. "May your good fortune shine and sparkle like

this beautiful piece!"

Before long, the guest excused himself and left. The following day at synagogue, Chaim looked for the stranger, then asked his fellow worshippers if they had seen him around. "An old man? There's been no stranger here!" each replied.

Chaim turned to the rabbi. "I'm not dreaming. I know I invited this old man, with the face of an angel, to my Seder table. Rabbi, did he visit you too?"

"Yes," answered the rabbi. "He visited me—in fact, he visits every Jewish home on Passover. But not everyone merits to see him. I believe it was Elijah the Prophet himself who came to your Seder, because of your great faith in G-d."

After Passover, with winter's snow long forgotten, Chaim again took his wheelbarrow and entered the forest to gather wood. As he walked, he tripped over a large root and something shiny caught his eye. Curious, Chaim began digging, and soon he discovered a bag of glittering golden coins... an absolute treasure!

From then on, Chaim and his family had everything they needed. Elijah's blessing had come true.

Wine of Redemption

The four cups we drink at the Seder symbolize the four names for the way G-d freed us from slavery. The fifth cup, Elijah's, gives us hope for the future and final redemption, when the leader of our nation will lead us to an era of pure happiness and peace. Good deeds will bring the times of Moshiach closer.

Do a mitzvah today so we can celebrate next Passover as one nation, all together, in Jerusalem!





Pesach Prep



1

To search for chametz, we use a candle, a feather, and a _____?



Cup

Spoon

Pen

Magnifying glass

2

Which is not one of the four names of Passover?

Holiday of matzos

Springtime festival

Freedom celebration

Harvest holiday

3

What are you not allowed to do with chametz on Passover?



Eat it

Own it

See it

All of the above



Seder Set



1

Which item is not found on the Seder Plate?



Charoset

Maror

Latke

Egg

2

At the Seder, there are four of everything, except:

Matzos

Sons

Cups

Questions

3

When we drink wine and lean to the left, whom are we trying to emulate?

Slaves

Kings

Moses

Jews in Egypt

4

How many steps are in the Seder?



7

15

10

12



Story Time



1

How did G-d first appear to Moses?

At the Nile

In a burning bush

Through a heavenly voice

Via his brother Aharon

2

What was the first plague brought upon the Egyptians?

Lice

Blood

Frogs

Firstborn death

3

What was used as the Pesach offering?



Answer Key: 1: Spoon; 2: Harvest holiday; 3: All of the above; 1: Latke; 2: Matzos; 3: Kings; 4: 15; 1: In a burning bush; 2: Blood; 3: Lamb

RANK URSELF

Give yourself one point for each correct answer.



1-5

Curious Conscript

There's lots more to living Jewish than Bar Mitzvahs and Chanuka presents. *Jewishkids.org* can tell me lots more about my heritage!



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Wisdom Wanter

I'm a Jew and I'm proud, and my holiday know-how proves it. But I might want to do some more Passover exploration to hone my already mad skillz.



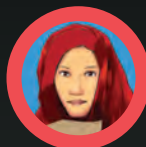
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Erudite Engine

I give my parents such nachas (pride). I'll keep learning, and soon my Torah scholarship will top my Hebrew School class!

FRIENDS

Get to know every holiday character—not just the famous ones



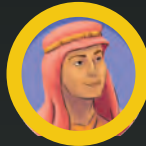
Yocheved

Moses' mother, also known as Shifra, the midwife who saved countless Jewish babies from being thrown in the river



Miriam

She watched her baby brother Moses float along the Nile River, also known as Puah, the midwife



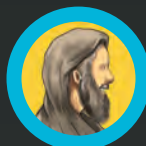
Batya

She convinced her father Pharaoh to let her keep little baby Moses after she found him in a basket on the Nile



Aharon

Brother of Moses and spokesman when it was time to approach Pharaoh



Nachshon ben Aminadav

The pioneer who hurtled himself into the Red Sea first, knowing G-d would perform a miracle

