



A Purim Message from the Rebbe

Purim has a special connection to Tzivos Hashem - the Army of Hashem. The task of Tzivos Hashem is to achieve victory over the Yetzer Hara. This means that a boy or girl in Tzivos Hashem listens only to the orders of their Commander-in-Chief (Hashem), just like Mordechai, who "did not bow down or bend his knee," before Haman.

If the Yetzer Hara tries to convince a child to eat something that is not kosher, or that playing ball is more important than learning Torah, the child answers, "I am not going to listen to you. You just better keep quiet! Mordechai would not bow down to you, and neither will I!"

"I am going to learn Torah, and I am going to do mitzvos! Because these are the most important and precious things in the world!"

"Not only that," says the Jewish child, "I am going to influence my friends in school too, that they also should learn Torah and do Mitzvos!"

This is the ultimate goal of Tzivos Hashem: victory over the Yetzer Hara for oneself and one's friends, by not bowing down and not bending the knee.

And in this way, we will all merit to go and greet our righteous King and leader, Moshiach, and go with him to Eretz Yisroel, where he will build the third Bais Hamikdash in its place, and with all its details.

Then the time of golus will be finished, and the Geulah will have begun, and it should all be Now! RIGHT NOW!

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The Purim Story

BY: DEVORAH LEAH GOLDMAN
OKLAHOMA OK, CITY

When the story of Purim took place Vashtie was called to the King's feast and she refused to come. So Achashverosh chose a new queen, Esther Hamalka. Upon Mordechai's advice, she did not reveal where she came from, Achashverosh tried everything, but nothing seemed to work. One day Haman decided to hang Mordechai on a huge tree, Achashverosh agreed. Next Haman asked if he can kill all the Jews and Achashverosh said yes. Haman asked for the king's seal and the king gave it to him. So Haman sent out an order that on the 13th of Adar all the Jews will be killed "Chas V'esholom" Mourdechai told Esther the queen that she must save the Jews so she made a party and told Achashverosh that she was a Jew and someone wanted to kill her and her nation

and that this man was Haman. So Achashverosh made a new order that on the 13th all Jews are able to defend themselves and since Haman wanted to kill the Queen and her nation so he ordered Haman to be hung instead of Mordechai. We celebrate Purim to remember the nes that took place on that day.
HAPPY PURIM!!!



Featured Chabad House



THE FREEDMAN FAMILY BAHIA BLANCA, ARGENTINA

By: Sholom Freedman, age 6.5



My name is Sholom Freedman and I am 6 and a half years old. There are KA"H 10 kids in my family. 5 of them are away from home learning at Lubavitcher schools and Yeshivos and the other 5 are home here on Shlichus in Bahia Blanca, Argentina. It's a very small city with less than 2,000 Yidden. But it's special anyways!

I heard it's very hard to live on Shlichus but for me it's very easy! There is no Kosher food here, not even nosh; so my mother and sister make cakes, cookies, bread, pizza, French-fries, ice cream and a lot of other yummy food!

Milk, chicken, fish and all other sorts of food, are brought in from the capital city of Argentina called Buenos Aires, where there is a frum community. When my parents go to the Kinus in New York they always bring us back some nosh so I like when they go!

There is no Jewish School here so my father teaches me Chumash, and my older sister teaches me and my younger sister-kriah, kesivah, ivris and parshah. I like it because we do a lot of arts n' crafts!

We have a Shul upstairs of our house. It's a small Beit Chabad -but very nice. We have a kitchen, learning room, Tatty's office, library, and a Shul! That is where we make a lot of programs, kidushim, brissim, Bar Mitzvas, upsherninsh, Tamud Torah and Kids Programs.

My father is very busy doing activities. Every Thursday and Friday he goes to stores to put Tefillin on people and give them brochures. Sometimes I get to go with him and I like it! Many times my mother also goes to visit people to make them happy I like going with her too. My parents are also busy with teaching classes all the time.

I have a big part in Shlichus too! When kids come to my house I teach them, and play with them nicely. I try to remind the kids to make a brocha before they eat. I always try to make a Kidush Hashem wherever I go and wear my Tzitzis and Yarmulkeh. I also help my sister and brother arrange a Kids Tzivos Hashem Club.

So do you see why my Shlichus is so easy? It is full of fun and happiness! I love my Shlichus!



THE WEINGARTEN FAMILY GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

By: Menucha Weingarten, age 11

Our Chabad House is 21 years old,
We knocked on the door and asked
if they wanted their property sold,
We chopped down the trees,
And someone fell on their knees,
When bidding for the Chabad House,
We had it without a mouse.
'Chabad House of Western Michigan',
is what is written on the door,
That's the place to come- rich or poor.
My father has a big job,
Finding a Mingan, with help from a non Jew- Bob.
Every Shabbos we have a Kiddush,
With chips, pickles and some dish.
On Monday the women to class go,
My sister-in-law gives it, I know.



Tuesday, the women have a lunch & learn,
For Moshiach we do yearn.
For all Jewish Children there is a school,
And in the backyard we have a pool.
School is a lot of fun,
We have 5 girls in school which is better than none!
3 boys in school all day,
At recess time we go in the snow to play.
We have preschool for the young,
Where 15 Jewish children's pictures are hung.
Purim in China is the theme this year,
Happy Purim to all those far and near!

YUDI GERBER, AGE 10
WYNNEWOOD, PENNSYLVANIA

ט' אדר שני



In honor of אדר ט' here is some information: On ח' אדר at 6:00 in the evening, the פריערדיקער רבי's ship landed in New York after a 12 day trip, but they would not let the passengers off the boat after 4:00 until the next morning. So the פריערדיקער רבי actually came off the boat on אדר ט'. On אדר ט', thousands of Jews came to the place where the boat landed and everyone said שלום אליכם. Some said שהחיינו. People from all different Jewish institutions from around the country came to welcome the פריערדיקער רבי and the Mayor of New York sent a representative to greet the פריערדיקער רבי. After a short reception at the port the פריערדיקער רבי was led to the Greystone Hotel. At the banquet in his honor on that day, the פריערדיקער רבי said "We should begin with a ברכה. We have to

give thanks to Hashem who has led us from oppression to freedom. It bothers me to lessen the joy at this joyous occasion but what is happening to our brothers and sisters suffering in Russia does not let me rest. Especially the ones that are my students in the ישיבות in Poland." On the first day that the פריערדיקער רבי came to New York, he announced the opening of תמימים in America.

MENDEL LABKOWSKI, AGE 9
LONDON, ENGLAND



כ"ח אדר תשי"א

יארצייט of R' Moshe Horenstien,
son-in-law of the רבי מהר"ש

Reb Moshe was the son of Reb Zalmen Shaul Horenstein who owned the largest sugar refinery in Russia. He married רבצין חיי מוסיא, the youngest daughter of the רבי מהר"ש. They first settled in Russia where ר' משה went into business. Later they settled in Poland; first in Warsaw and then in Otwock- which later became the center of the חב"ד movement when the פריערדיקער רבי settled there. When World War II broke out, ר' משה was very sick, and he passed away on כ"ח אדר in Otwock. Rabbi Moshe Horenstien passed away and was buried in Otwock, Poland.



כ"ה אדר

MENACHEM MENDEL SHEMTOV, AGE 51/2
RIVERDALE, NY

My mommy went to visit מושקא חיי רבצין with her little sister 12 days before כ"ב שבט. The רבצין gave her sister a candy. Her sister whispered into my mommy's ear, and the רבצין asked what she wanted. My mommy said that her sister wanted to know where the garbage can was so, she could throw away the candy wrapper. The רבצין showed her where it was, and the רבצין was very proud of קינדערלאך who want to put the garbage where it belongs, and do the right thing.



CHAYA MUSHKA GOLDMAN, AGE 10
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

כ"ה אדר is the day that מושקא חיי רבצין was born. Her father was the פריערדיקער רבי. She had 2 sisters; their names were שיינא and חנה. She married the רבי and moved to America. After her father was נפטר her husband (the רבי) became the next רבי. She was a צדיקת and VERY צניעות. We could all learn from her do be צניעות and polite just like she was.

I am very proud to be named after her and I try my best to be like her. If we all do our best and learn from her משיח will be here today!



W H I F KINUS HASHLUCHOS

CHAYA MUSHKA MANGEL, 11
DAYDON, OHIO

Up in the plane so very high,
I waved to my friend a big goodbye.

I was so excited to see many girls on shlichus
just like me,
I gave a yelp, scream and a huge sign of
glee!

I couldn't wait to see so
many faces,
That came from the
most interesting
places.

Finally the

first day of the kinus came,
I know no other day would be the same!

I looked all around and gave an everlasting
smile,
I was sure that it had stretched a mile.

Screaming and jumping with all our might,
Was a sign that we would escape golus
without a fight!

We lost all our voices from screaming so
loud,
We knew we had made the Rebbe so
proud!

The day was over and brought to an end,
A night at the kinus we would spend.

A new day arrived which was Chof Bais
Shevat,
Everything that happened this day, we were
taught.

All together we davened and ate,
From all the chayus we knew we had
opened the gate.

Saying goodbye was the time we all
dreaded,
Back to our job of being a Shlucha we were
headed.

Next year we'd gather together at this time,
Our way to Moshiach we will climb!

By: MUSHKI
FREEDMAN, AGE 11
BAHIA BLANCA,

Kindness
Inspiring
New Friends
Unbelievable
Strength
Heartfelt
All ages
Shluchos
Home
Lessons
Uplifting
Chayos
Happy
Opportunity
Special



CHANA CUNIN, AGE 7
RENO, NEVADA

This was my first year going to the Kinus Hashluchos. It was my second
sleepover ever. My sister Rochel and I were in bunk Aleph. My counselors'
names were Altie and Tuba. They told us 3 good night stories each night,
and I slept peacefully in my pink sleeping bag.

On Thursday, we went to Kids in Action. It was really fun because they had a mini
roller-coaster that went round and round in circles. I also played in the balls at the jun-
gle gym.

On Shabbos, we davened in 770. We saw the men farbrenging and dancing on the
tables! As we walked home from 770, we got to kiss the mezuzah of the Rebbe's house.

On Motzai Shabbos we had pizza party. Yum! We don't have any Kosher pizza shops in
Reno, so this was a real treat!

On Sunday, we went shopping and went to the Rebbe's room and library. On Sunday
night, we had our banquet. Some girls sang *Am Yisroel Have No Fear* in French. I
thought that was so cool! One of my bunkmates is named Mussie, and I davened shachris
with her. She was kind and said Shemona Esrei together with me and my sister.

I can't wait to go back next year!



BRACHA HECHT, AGE 9
ORANGE, CONNECTICUT

I was so excited when I was in the car on my way to the kinus. It was my second
time going to the kinus. My counselors were great and so were my bunkmates. I had a great time
at the bowling alley. When I bentched licht, I felt very proud that I was a shlucha of the Rebbe.

We played so many fun games and I learned so many new songs. Many people spoke to us and told us how spe-
cial it is to be a shlucha. After shabbos we talked about moshiach. Every bunk needed to make up a cheer and
present it. Our cheer was great! After that a musician came and we played with a lot of instruments. Some of them
I had never seen before. It was so much fun! After that, we had even more fun-We had a show and it was excel-
lent!! On Sunday it was dandy. We went to the Jewish children's Museum, then went shopping at different stores.
Then, da ta da da da - we watched the Bais Rivkah production!! It was so good, I clapped the whole time! We
went to the ohel, and then at the banquet we sang so many songs, ate and received pictures of the Rebbe and
tickets for a raffle. Amazing things were raffled off: tehillims, chumashim, chitas, and so much more. Then we had
the roll call. We all stood up and I felt very special to be one of the Rebbe's shluchos. When I was in the car going
home, I could not stop talking about the kinus. I just kept going on and on and on.



MY SHLICHUS



CHAVI KONIKOV, AGE 12
SATELLITE BEACH, FL

My name is Chavi Konikov and I live on Shlichus in Satellite Beach, Florida. Last year on Purim morning I babysat while my mother and older sister Raizy went to the Chabad Center to hear the Megillah. After awhile my sister Raizy came home and said "Mommy will be back soon, for now you should go with Shelly (a person in our community) to deliver Shlach Monos." When we only had one more person left, I got a call from Raizy to come to Chabad as soon as possible. As we drove up to Chabad, Raizy came running out and said: "Mommy had a baby boy!" I called all the people I knew to tell them the great news. I was too excited to set up for our Purim Party! After a while I calmed down and helped prepare, and before I knew it the party began. People started coming and wishing me Mazal Tov. Some said they couldn't believe my mother would be missing this unbelievable party. Other people could not believe what a beautiful job we managed to do without my mother! One of the people had already visited the baby and said how cute he was. We didn't get a chance to visit since we were so busy setting up for the party. In middle of the party my father announced that my mother had a baby and that the bris would be the next week- same time, same place, just one week later.

The next day we were on the way to visit my mother and we got a call that the baby had stopped breathing and he was now in the N.I.C.U.; so we wouldn't be able to visit him. Finally, we were able to see him only through a window, and he was so cute! I was upset that I wasn't able to hold him. After many tests and 9 days in the N.I.C.U. he got to come home, and he had a bris a week before Pesach.

Binyomin Moshe is now turning one on Purim. He is Boruch Hashem a cute and healthy baby- and everyone's favorite. He always smiles and is the happiest baby! Maybe that has to do with the fact that he was born on Purim. He will always have a huge Birthday Party! This year he is having a Mexican Purim Birthday Party with about 180 people there to celebrate. May we celebrate this year's Purim in Eretz Yisrael with Moshiach- NOW!

YEHUDA SPIEGEL, AGE 7 1/2
EUGENE, OREGON

We live in a place where there are a lot of Goyim, and we have a Chabad-house which is really our house. We daven in our house and make Shabbos there.

The Jewish students that live here come to us for Shabbos. Some times we have 10, 15, 5, 0, 4, 7, and so on. Usually we have under 15, but on all the Yomim Tovim we usually have between 50 and 120. Especially on Pesach we have about 90 guests that all fit into our living-room!

We've been Shluchim here for 5 years already. (My youngest brother was born here).

Rabbi Yehuda Hanasi says: If there is not at least 1 Jewish student learning Torah in one city, then that city is not worthy of being saved! Even though it's hard to be a Shliach I know that I have to do it!!!



AVI CUNIN, AGE 9
PACIFIC PALISADES, CALIFORNIA

It was Simchas Torah night and there was a car accident across the street from my shul. My uncle went down to see if there were any yidden involved. There was a man that worked in a store across the street and he went out to see what happened too. My uncle asked him if he was a yid. He said yes, and came upstairs to our shul and danced the hakafos.

After Yom tov, he started learning more and more about yiddishkiet. Eventually he went to yeshiva, and now is a frum lubavicher chosid with a growing family!



CHAYA MUSHKA REITER, AGE 6.5
ROSLYN, LONG ISLAND

My name is Chaya Mushka Reiter and we are Shluchim in Roslyn, Long Island. Every Purim we have a big purim party in our chabad house. This year we are having it in our school building. It's our first year doing it in our school building. Whoever wears a costume, will get a prize! This year we are having an acrobat show. We hear the megillah.

CHAYA MUSHKA JACOBSON, AGE 5
DES MOINES, IOWA

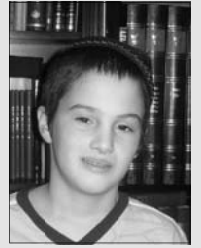
I'm helping my Tatty and Mommy send out hundreds of packages for Mishloach Manos. I put in 2 foods with different brachos and papers that tell them all about Purim and the Mitzvos.

We are also going to have a Purim Seudah that I am so excited for! I learned that Queen Esther had another name- Hadasah. So I'm going to dress up as Hadasah, Mordechai's cousin.



THE PURIM STORY

By YISROLIK KIEVMAN. AGE 12
LIVERPOOL, ENGLAND



It all started in 1902, a major war broke out between Persia and the rest of the world. Persia won and their king, Achashverosh was very happy indeed. Later on that day, the Jewish nation was exiled from Babylonia and pharaoh was dancing with joy!

There was a legacy that the Jews were going back to Israel after 70 years. When the 70 years were up, Achashverosh was so happy, he set up a pizza party. Mordechai wouldn't allow the Jews to go since there was meat on the pizzas. They didn't listen and went to eat. At the party there was a clown. She came in with spots and a tail, and was entertaining until Achashverosh said that she wasn't invited, so, they hung her.

After Queen Achashverosh was sober again he asked where the clown was and realized that he had killed his wife. That night he cried himself to sleep.

The next parts have been abbreviated:

Esther became Queen of England. Haman became an idol. Mordechai became Chief Inspector of the Shushan area after foiling a plot against the king. Haman made a blood-thirsty decree against the Jews. Mordechai wasn't hungry and neither were the Jews, but I think 3 days without food is quite amazing. Haman thought it would be good fun to hang Jews and started to make some gallows.

One night Achashverosh was kept up, so he decided to read a bedtime story. He remembered how Mordechai saved his life so he decided to give him a treat. He made Haman give him a donkey ride. On the way his daughter threw the rubbish on his head. Then it was Esther's birthday party so she asked Achashverosh if she could have it in a restaurant with him and Haman. At the restaurant she said, "I like this restaurant, can we come back tomorrow?"

The next day she said that Haman was trying to kill her and her friends, so can we kill him.

He was killed and they all lived
happily ever after.

A פורים RHYME



THE JEWS WERE WALKING DOWN THE ROADS OF SHUSHAN AND GUESS WHAT THEY SEE?
A LETTER ON THE WALL FOR EVERYONE, WHAT COULD IT BE?
"COME TO MY PARTY THERE WILL BE KOSHER FOOD THERE TOO,"
"AND THERE WILL BE A TIPSY PART OF THE PARTY FOR ME AND YOU!"
ACHASHVEROSH HAS DECREED WE GO TO HIS PARTY, BUT IS THE FOOD KOSHER, OR IS HE TRICKY?
SO SOME WENT AND SOME NOT,
AND WHEN THEY WERE THERE, THEY GOT A BIG SHOCK!
IN THE MIDDLE THE KING WANTED VASHTI,
BUT WHEN SHE LOOKED IN THE MIRROR- AND SAW LOTS OF SPOTS, SHE SAID: "I LOOK YUCKY!"
SO THE KING KILLED HER, AND THE QUEEN BECAME ESTHER,
AND THEN THE WICKED HAMAN WAS APPOINTED PRIME MINISTER.
HE HATED MORDECHAI THE JEW,
SO HE WANTED TO KILL HIM TOO.
THEN ESTHER TOLD THE KING THE PLOT,
AND HAMAN WAS STOPPED.
NOW WE CELEBRATE PURIM (DRESS UP),
AND ENJOY YOURSELF- MAYBE YOU WILL BE A DUCK!

Submitted by: Rochel Vittal Cohen, age 8 Leeds, England



HAMAN WAS A NOT NICE MAN,
AND HE THOUGHT OF A NOT GOOD PLAN,
TO GET RID OF EVERY JEW,
BUT MORDECHAI AND ESTHER
CAME TO THE RESCUE.
ESTHER WENT BEFORE THE KING,
TO PLEAD TO HIM TO TAKE AWAY HAMAN'S NOT GOOD THING.
THE KING SENT OUT A NEW DECREE,
FOR ALL THE JEWS TO BE SET FREE.
THE KING ORDERED THAT HAMAN BE HANGED,
AND ALL THE JEWS DANCED AND SANG!
FROM ALL THE YOMIM TOVIM WHEN MOSHIACH COMES,
PURIM WILL BE GREATER THAN ALL THE OTHER ONES.
WHY WILL PURIM BE FOREVER?
BECAUSE IT WAS BROUGHT ABOUT BY MORDECHAI,
WHO WAS THAT GENERATION'S LEADER.
MOSHE AND TORAH ARE EMES -THROUGH AND THROUGH,
NEVER CHANGING AND FOREVER, AND THAT'S THE END OF MY POEM TO YOU!

Submitted by: Menachem M. Gordon, 9; Charlotte, NC

4 REASONS TO BE HAPPY IN THE MONTH OF ADAR

SHEINA LIBEROW, AGE 11
BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA



1) BECAUSE IT'S A GOOD WAY TO GET THINGS DONE.

In Tanya, the Alter Rebbe says; "Just like in the case of two people wrestling, each trying to throw down the other, if one of them moves with sadness and laziness, he will be easily knocked down, even if he is stronger than his fellow. So too, in fighting your yeitzer hara, you can win over it -only with Simcha and happiness."



2) BECAUSE IT'S A GOOD THING TO DO.



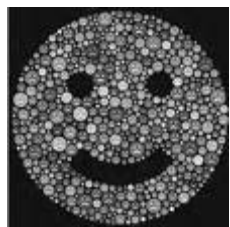
Why should joy be just a tool? It's a good thing in its own right, a better way to be. And it's not that hard to achieve. Just focus on all the good things you have and are a part of, and on how much more real and better they are than the not-such-good things. Push the not-such-good things off and bring on the real davening!

3) BECAUSE IT'S A HAPPY TIME:

Being happy sometimes takes effort to achieve. But there are times when happiness is in the air, and all you need to do is open yourself up to it and allow it to enter your neshama. We're now in such a time. Our Chachomim tell us that, "When the month of Adar comes, there is more joy." As Haman unhappily (for him) discovered, it's a time when good things happen to the Jewish people. You don't have to do anything to experience it -- just don't stop.



4) BECAUSE IT'S WHAT YOU ARE.



This one is not really a "reason", so I guess that means there are really three reasons, not four. Our Rabbeim tell us that our neshama is "literally a part of Hashem." So joy, is not a technique to master, or a goal to achieve. It's what we are! Why hide from what we are?

THE 4 MITZVOS OF PURIM

CHAVI SWUED, AGE 5

BARRANQUILLA, COLOMBIA



READING THE מגילה:

we listed and /or read the מגילה at night and in the day. Every time the חזן says המן everyone shakes there graggers and makes a lot of noise.



ENJOYING THE PURIM סעודה:



we have a סעודה just like any other טוב יום with meat and wine. After the meal in benching we say על הנסים.

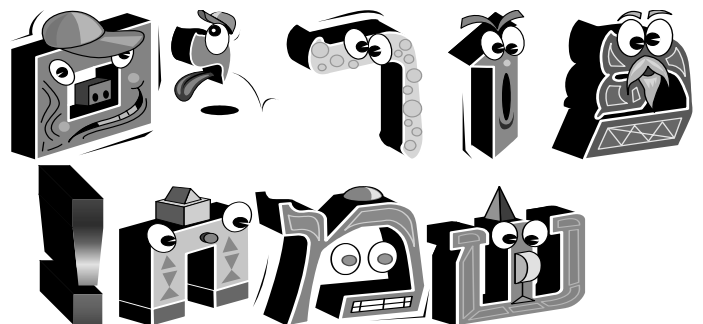
מתנת לאביונים:

Men and woman should give מתנת לאביונים (צדקה) to at least 2 people on פורים.



משלוח מנות:

we give משלוח מנות. At least 2 types of foods to at least one person, on פורים day.



ETTI KRINSKY, 9
MANCHESTER, NH



My name is Etti Krinsky, and I am a proud Shlucha in Manchester, New Hampshire. Many of you don't know were that is, its above Massachusetts and right next to Vermont and Maine, and under Canada. Now that you know were I live and who I am, I'd like to say were I go for school:

Many of you might have heard of The Online School, but B"H have a school to go to and have no need to go to Online School.

I love Online School! I have so many new friends! I once mentioned to my parents that all my friends are friends I never met. But thanks to the Shluchim Office, that is not true anymore! Recently, on Chof Beis Shevat we had a big day of celebration for all the Online School girls! It was absolutely amazing to see how many people are on the girls side of the school! (There is a boy's side too, but they had one at the boys Kinus.) There was food, classes, speakers and even class pictures! It was really great! We got to meet all of our friends and teachers it was truly

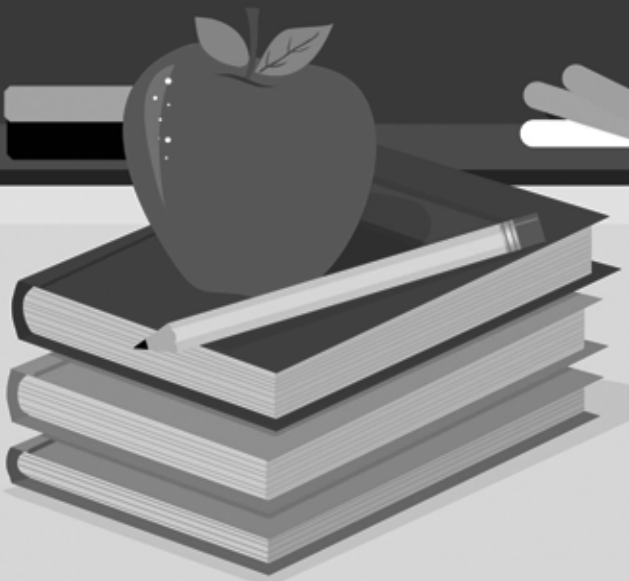
amazing! I'm very happy to be part of this Online School. Now I want to mention who my teachers and all my classmates are:

Teachers:

- Morah Henya Matusof - Chumash
- Morah Aidie Naparstek - Parsha, Yedios Klolius, and Sicha / Dvar Torah
- Morah Estie Greenberg - Navi and Yehadus

Classmates:

- Chana Miriam Sternberg from New London, CT
- Chavi Vogel from Wilmington, Delaware
- Chavie Kahanov from Jacksonville, FL
- Chaya Zippel from Salt Lake City, Utah
- Chaya Konikov from Satellite Beach, FL
- Chyena Sudak from England
- Ella Steinmetz from Sarasota, FL
- Mushka Friedman from S. Cruz, California
- Mushkie Loewenthal from Copenhagen, Denmark
- Shterna Lipsker from Reading, Pennsylvania
- Yehudis Turk from Argentina



CLASS G4:

Top Row (Left to Right): Morah Aide, Etti Krinsky, Shterna Lipsker, Ella Steinmetz, Cheyena Sudak, Chana Miriam Sternberg, Chaya Mushka Goldman, Mushkie Loewenthal, Morah Estie
Bottom Row: Mushka Friedman, Chaya Zippel, Chavi Vogel, Chavie Kahanov

Hamantashen Recipes

CHAYA MUSHKA SHEMTOV, AGE 5.5
RIVERDALE, NY



Why do we eat hamantaschen on Purim? They are sweet and have jelly inside and are shaped like a triangle just like Haman's hat. Haman was mean to all the Jews and he wanted to make a decree to hurt all the Jews on yud gimmel Adar but instead he was hung on the gallows.

Dough:

1 1/2 cups water
1/2 cup oil
1/2 tsp. salt in a pot
Bring to boil. Remove from heat and add
3 1/2 cups flour, mix, and let it cool.
When it's cool, knead into a dough.

Prune Filling:

In a blender put:
1 box pitted prunes (wash well first)
The juice from 1 orange
2 tablespoons sugar
1/2 cup ground almonds



Instructions:

Roll out pieces of dough, make a round shape with an upside down cup. Fill with filling and shape into hamantaschen. Bake at 350 degrees until golden brown.

Submitted by: **Chedva & Menucha Ban from Panama City, Panama**

It is traditional to eat Kreplach on Purim. **יום כיפור** and **הושענה רבה**, **פורים**. Why? All 3 of these **ימים טובים** are connected to beating and striking. On **יום כיפור**, we strike ourselves. On **הושענה רבה**, we strike the **ערבות**. On **פורים**, we strike **המגילה** while reading the **מגילה**.

Dough

2 cups flour
1/2 tsp. salt
3 Tbsp. oil
2 egg yolks
1/2 cup water
1 1/2 tsp. baking powder or soda

Filling

1 onion, diced
2 Tbsp. oil
1 cup ground beef
1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
1 egg

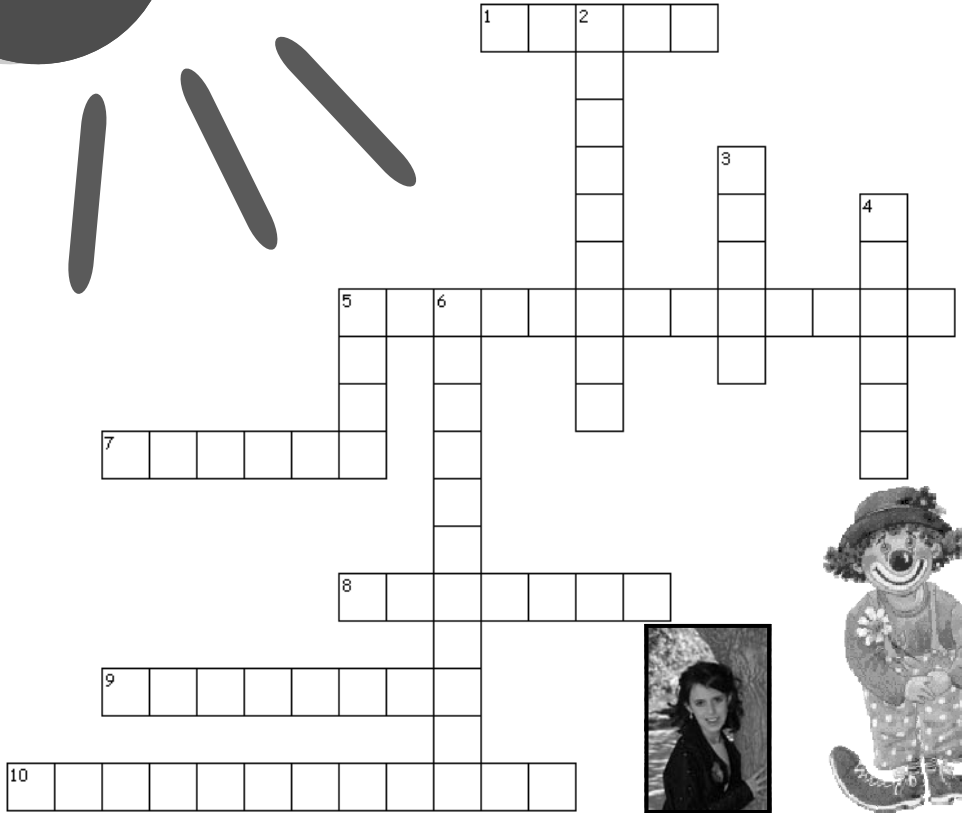
Instructions:

Dough: In a large bowl, combine flour, salt and oil. In a separate bowl, beat egg yolks, water, and baking powder (or soda). Add to flour mixture. Knead and roll dough out thin on floured board. Use a glass to cut into 3 inch circles.

Filling: Sauté onion in oil. Add ground beef and brown for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and cool. Add salt, pepper, egg, and matzah meal. Mix well. Place a tsp. of filling in the middle of the dough circle. Lift 3 sides of the dough circle to meet in the center and form a triangle. Press together tightly and pinch corners closed. Moisten edges with top of finger dipped in cold water to keep seams closed. Place kreplach in boiling, salted water. Cook about 20 minutes until kreplach floats to the top. When ready, remove from pot. Serve kreplach in soup or fry it until golden brown and serve as a side dish.



PURIM FUN PAGES



Submitted by: Binie Harlig, age 13 from Las Vegas, Nevada

ACROSS

1. The man who wanted to kill the Jews
5. The King of Persia
7. The Queen who saved the Jews
8. I make noise
9. We read this on this holiday
10. We need to give this to at least two people

DOWN

2. The Rabbi This holiday
3. She grew a tail
4. The month this holiday is in
5. A triangle food that we eat

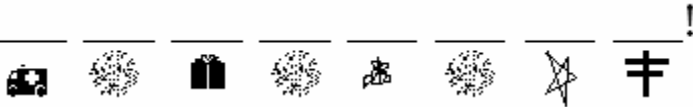
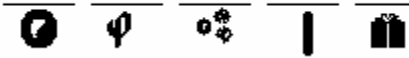
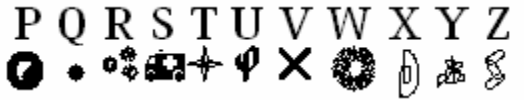
Are You a Purim Expert?

1. Where do we have to listen to the מגילה?
 - a. In your kitchen
 - b. in Shul
 - c. In the garden
2. When in between of the reading of the Megila do we have to make noise?
 - a. When you hear your first name
 - b. During the whole reading
 - c. When we here the name of Haman
3. which story is written in the Megila?
 - a. The story of Purim
 - b. Jokes
 - c. The story of Chanukah
4. why do we fast before Purim?
 - a. So after that you could eat lots of hamantashen!
 - b. Haman did not like the sandwiches!
 - c. In memory of Esther
5. what do we have to give out on Purim?
 - a. Flowers
 - b. Mishloach Manos
 - c. A car
6. what could we put in the mishloach manos?
 - a. Games
 - b. Internet
 - c. A fruit of Israel



Submitted by: Yossi Lasker , age 12 from Brussels, Belgium

CRACK THE



Submitted by: Mushka Friedman, 11; S. Cruz, California

A, P, U, R, I, M, M, E, S, S, A, G, E

_____ (The person who wanted to kill the Jews)

_____ (The king of Persia)

_____ (The Yom Tov we celebrate in Adar)

_____ (Achashvairosh lived in a big house for kings called a:)

_____ (The HEBREW DATE Purim falls out on)

_____ (The ENGLISH name for Shushan)

_____ (Achashvarosh made a _____ contest for choosing a new queen.)

_____ (Haman made a _____ for choosing the day to kill the Jews)

_____ (_____ and Seresh)

_____ (Esther's uncle)



Submitted By: **Mendel Hodakov, age 10; New Haven, CT**

Purim
Yud Daled
Raffle
Mordachai
Bigsan
Palace,
Beauty
Achashvarosh
Haman

What is the
PURIM MESSAGE?

WRITE ANSWER HERE:

WORD SEARCH

- ACHASHVEROSH
- BIGTAN
- ESTER
- GRAGGER
- HAMAN
- MATONOSLEVYONIM
- MEGILLA
- MISHLOACHMONOS
- MORDECHAI
- PURIM
- SHUSHAN
- TERESH
- VASHTI

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E	Y	Y	G	A	U	T	Q	V	G	C	D	P	A	X
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Use the remaining letters to get the following message:

_____ !

_____ !



Submitted By: **Mendel Barash, age 9 from Prague**

