



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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CAPTAIN CONNECT

A Story of Mesiras Nefesh

BY: LEVI GERBER, AGE 11
WYNEWOOD, PA

One time there was a terrible decree against the Yidden and the Rebbe Rashab tried really hard to stop it. The Frierdiker Rebbe was already involved in community affairs. There was a minister who was a big anti-Semite and was very influential. If the Frierdiker Rebbe could convince him to change his mind, the decree would be annulled. He found out that there was a professor that used to be this minister's teacher. He decided to go to him. Maybe the professor could help him. The Frierdiker Rebbe met the professor and became close to him. The professor said "The only way I can help you is, since I was his teacher, I have a pass that allows me into the government building where he has an office. It is very dangerous, but if you want you can use it".

The Frierdiker Rebbe took the pass and the next morning he went to the building. When he got there, the guards were surprised to see a man like the Frierdiker Rebbe with a pass, but they let him in. He got in and asked where the minister's office was. He was told that it was on the 4th floor. He went up to the 4th floor and he saw the minister walk out of his office, so he went in. On the desk the Frierdiker Rebbe saw piles of papers and 2 stamps. One said 'APPROVED' and one said 'NOT APPROVED'. The Frierdiker Rebbe found the papers with the decree against the Yidden, he took the stamp that said 'NOT APPROVED' and stamped it on the decree, put it on the desk, and the decree was annulled.



Featured Chabad House



THE STEINMETZ FAMILY SARASOTA, FLORIDA

By: Ella Steinmetz, age 8

Hi, my name is Ella Steinmetz. I am 8 years old and very proud to be a Shlucha of the Rebbe in Sarasota, FL, where it is sunny, warm, and sometimes rainy. I'd like to tell you a little about our Shlichus, Chabad Center, and our family.

Our Chabad House looks small from the outside but when people walk in, they see that it is much bigger than they thought. The Chabad house has 3 offices, 2 preschool classrooms, 3 Hebrew school classrooms, a youth lounge, a Shul, a social hall, and a small gift shop. On the property there is also a Mikvah with a nice garden at the entrance.

At our Chabad Center we have lots of different programs and activities. We try to give every Jewish person a reason to come to the Chabad center and hopefully they will want to find out more about Yiddishkeit.

We have had themed Shabbos dinners, which include Chinese, Japanese, Moroccan, Hawaiian, and Italian. We have lots of holiday events for the Hebrew school and preschool, which I help my mother prepare. We have two big Chanukah celebrations at different malls, which make Chanukah very special for our community. It's nice to see children take pictures with Yehudah the Maccabee, enjoy Chanukah doughnuts and feel proud to be Jewish. My mother started N'shei Chabad here, and she organizes all kinds of fun women's programs, including a talent night. We always invite guests to our Shabbos table. This way we get to know the people better, and they get to know us.

Our parents make a monthly newsletter which reminds people of all the events that are happening. Summer camp and winter camp bring lots of children

to the Chabad center. Kids learn so much and have a blast going on trips, doing all the fun projects and games.

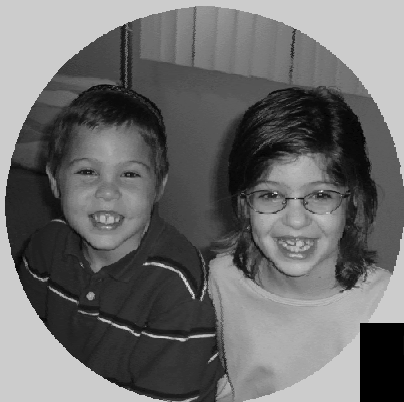
The programs that I enjoy most are Hebrew school and the Chanukah choir. Hebrew school is every Wednesday and I like to help my mother prepare for it. Of course, I enjoy seeing my friends while I'm there. All the teachers make the lessons lots of fun! The Chanukah choir sings songs at two mall celebrations, and I feel happy to help make a Kiddush Hashem. All children in the choir, receive \$1 for Chanukah gelt, a package of chocolate gelt, a dreidel, and enjoy a bowling party after Chanukah.

My mother hired a girl to home school me and my brother. We learn Parsha, Chumash, Yiddish, Hebrew, Tanya Ba'al Peh, and much more. We always look forward to the conference calls that are organized by the Chinuch Yaldei Hashluchim department of the Shluchim Office. Every time we hear that there will be a Farbrengen rally or game for home-schooled children, we get really excited! Soon I will be old enough to go away to school. I hope that my parents will send me to the winter camp for Tzeirei Hashluchim in Arizona. In my free time, I have a great time jumping rope, juggling with scarves and playing many games like Rummykub. My favorite hobby is playing piano. I love to listen to the beautiful tunes.

Right now, we have four children at home and another four who learn out of town.

My brother Mendy (age 6) and I (age 8) are home schooled. My brother Yossi (age 3) goes to Chabad Preschool, which my mother directs. My brother Shmuli (almost 2) will soon go to Chabad Preschool. My older brother Boruch (age 16) studies in Detroit. My sister Chaya (age 15) learns in Chicago. My brother Zev, just celebrated his Bar Mitzvah and he studies at the Cheder at the Ohel together with my brother Levi (age 11). Our family at home (4 kinderlach), misses our brothers and sister who are not in town, and we always get very, very excited every time they come home.

Most of all, I am proud to be a dugma chaya in every way I can, to my friends and the people in our community. I don't yet know many Tzeirei Hashluchim my age, but I can't wait to meet you all in Yerushalayim with Moshiach!



Mendy, age 6 and Ella, age 8
Steinmetz

MENACHEM M. DANOW, 10
GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN

ט' אדר שני



On **ט' אדר ב'** the **פריערדיקער רבי** came to America. The **פריערדיקער רבי** flew from Riga to Stockholm, Sweden and took an all night train to Gothenburg, Sweden, where I live. From there the **פריערדיקער רבי** left to America on a boat called the Drottningholm, on **כ"ו אדר א'**.

It was a big **שמחה** for **חסידים** that the **פריערדיקער רבי** managed to escape from the Second World War. When the **פריערדיקער רבי** came to America he said "אמעריקא איז ניט אַנדערש" (America is not different)

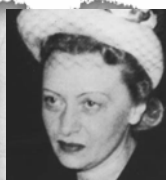
and we can be **frum** and **חסידים** even in America.

Sometimes my family and I go to see the port where the boat left from and the museum which happens to have photos of the boat that the **פריערדיקער רבי** was on and I was also at the train station where the **פריערדיקער רבי** arrived from Stockholm. That is the big train station in Gothenburg today.

I am so proud to be a **שליח** here in Gothenburg, Sweden and I like to think about how the **פריערדיקער רבי** was right here, where I live.

CHANI GERBER, AGE 6
WYNNEWOOD, PENNSYLVANIA

Tes Adar is the day that the **פריערדיקער רבי** came to American and the **פריערדיקער רבי** said "אמעריקא איז נישט אַנדערש". The **פריערדיקער רבי** opened **ישיבות** and **בית רבקה**. He sent **שלוחים** to places to teach people about **Yiddishkeit**.



כ"ה אדר

BIRTHDAY OF REBBETZIN CHAYA MUSHKA



MUSHKA MANN, AGE 9
VENETIAN ISLANDS, FLORIDA

כ"ה אדר IS A VERY SPECIAL DAY, IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY, BECAUSE **רבצין חיי מושקא** WAS BORN ON THAT VERY HAPPY DAY. **רבצין חיי מושקא** CARED FOR EVERY SINGLE JEW. EVEN ME AND EVEN YOU... SHE ALSO LOVES US TOO!

רבצין חיי מושקא AND THE **REBBE** HELPED TO BRING **צדקינו**.

אדר IS A VERY HAPPY MONTH IN SO MANY WAYS. IT ALSO HAS LOTS OF HAPPY AND SPECIAL DAYS!

רבצין חיי מושקא WAS HUMBLE IN HER OWN QUIET WAY,

AND **צניעות** SHE ALWAYS DID **אידל**.

MENACHEM MENDEL DANOW, 10
GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN

כ"ה אדר is the birthday of **מושקא חיי**, the wife of the **רבי**. She was born in the year **תרט"א** in **Babinovitch**, which is not far from the city of **Lubavitch**. The **Rebbe Rashab** asked that the **רבצין** should be named after the **רבצין** of the **צדק**. Its a very special day for all of us as it is the birthday of our mother, the **רבצין**.

My Father told me that the first **לגני** **מאמר** that the **רבי** gave out to print **מוגה**, (edited by the **רבי**) in **תשי"א** was given out on **תשי"א**, the **Rebbe's** birthday and the second **לגני** was given out on **כ"ה אדר תשי"ב**. Not many people knew back then that this day was very special. Now we know why the **רבי** chose this date to give out the **מאמר**. We can see from this how the **רבי** wants us to learn more on the **Rebbetzin's** birthday and we should make sure to learn something extra and give extra **צדקה** on this day.

THE PURIM STORY



ESTHER POLTER, AGE 13

ACRON, MA

For anyone who has just come to listen to our radio station, we are going to now focus on the commotion in Persia. There has been quite a bit going on, especially at King Achashverosh's palace. The king has made a feast for everyone in town. The banquet is said to last 180 days. Unfortunately some of the Jews have participated in this unkosher feast. After this long feast, Achashverosh made another banquet for seven days, inviting only the people of Shushan. In the midst of all the drinking, an argument started. One nobleman thought his wife was the most beautiful of all women. This caused the king to get very angry. After getting angry, King Achashverosh ordered his wife to be brought before everyone to show that she was most beautiful of all the women in the world. Queen Vashti refused, and didn't want to come. Achashverosh was in a dilemma, how can he kill his wife, and yet how can he let her disobey him? He turned to his advisers to ask for some advice. No one wanted to tell the king to kill his wife so everyone just kept quiet. That is except for Haman. He had a lot to say. "King Achashverosh, you should kill your wife. It shows a bad example on all the other women in the world. Also if you can't rule your wife, than how can you rule your empire? After you have killed your wife than you should get married again." (Haman wanted his own daughter to get married to the king.) So it was decided that Vashti would be executed. After Vashti had been killed Achashverosh mourned for many days, until Mordechai suggested again to the king, that he should remarry. There was a search made until Esther was found. Esther married the king, but didn't tell him that she was a Jew.

Bigsan and Teresh were the night guards of the king's palace. They wanted to kill the king and take over the palace. Mordechai had been walking by and had understood everything they had said, even though they were talking in another language. Mordechai told the king and the two were hanged. This incident was written in the Book of Chronicles.

Haman cast lots, when he should kill the Jews. It landed on the 13th of Adar. Haman asked the king for permission to fulfill his plan. The king gave Haman his ring. The decree was sealed. All of the Jews were crying to Hashem above for His help. Mordechai announced a public fast for three days. Then he told Esther to go to the king on the last day. "This is probably the reason you were chosen queen." Mordechai told her. On the third day Esther went to the king and asked him to come to a feast with Haman. At the first feast Esther asked the king if he can come again, with Haman, to a second feast.

After going to the first feast Haman was in high spirits. He decided to build the gallows that he thought would be for Mordechai. Haman wasn't able to fall asleep, and neither could the king. Achashverosh realized that he hadn't rewarded Mordechai for saving his life.

The next morning he made Haman lead Mordechai on a horse, going through the streets of Shushan. That same night was the second banquet that Esther invited the king and Haman to. The king asked Esther what her heart desired. Esther answered,

"I'm a Jew and all I ask is that the king save my life and the lives of my people."

Esther pointed to Haman, indicating that he was the man who wanted to kill her, and her people. Haman was hung on the gallows he had built for Mordechai.



A פורים RHYME

THERE WAS A KING,
WHO OWNED EVERYTHING,
NAMED ACHASHVEIRUSH,
HE OWNED FROM PERSIA,
TILL KUSH.

HAMAN HAMAN HE WAS A PEACE OF BAD NEWS,
HE HAD A DECREE TO KILL ALL THE JEWS
HE BUILT A GALLOW'S 50 CUBITS HIGH
TO KILL THE JEW MORDECHAI

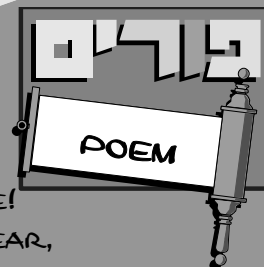
MORDECHAI MORDECHAI HE WAS A GREAT MAN,
HE PRAYED TO G-D LIKE NO ONE ELSE CAN.
HE ABOLISHED THE DECREE HAMAN DECIDED TO MAKE,
BY TEACHING THE KIDS BY THE PALACE GATE.

ESTHER ESTHER
WHAT A FINE YOUNG GIRL,

SHE WAS AS KIND AND AS PURE AS A PEARL,
SHE WAS THE ONE, WHO SAVED OUR NATION,
SHE WAS THE MAIN ONE WHO CAUSED OUR SALVATION.

PURIM IS COMING I BETTER GET GOING,
THERE'S THINGS TO DO:
FROM MISHLOACH MANOS TO MATONES LEVYONIM.
GOOD BYE FOR NOW THAT'S ALL I GOT TO SAY,
FOR PURIM IS NEAR IT'S ON ITS WAY!

Submitted by: Shlomo Cohen, age 12 Leeds, England



PURIM IS HERE!
A MASK I WILL WEAR,
THE MEGILLA I HEAR.

I STAMP OUT HAMAN'S NAME,
BECAUSE HE DROVE OUR WHOLE
NATION INSANE,
I GIVE OUT MISHLOACH MANOS
EVEN IF THERE IS RAIN.

I EAT HAMENTASHEN SO SWEET,
THEN I SIT IN MY SEAT.

WAITING FOR THE PURIM PLAY TO BEGIN,
I WANT TO SEE WHO WILL WIN,
HAMAN OR THE YIDDIN'?

QUEEN ESTHER SAVED THE DAY!
SHE SHOWED US THE RIGHT WAY,
I WANT PURIM TO STAY!

Submitted by: Mussi Levertov, age 11, Santa Fe, NM

THE KINUS HASHLUCHOS



MIRELE BAUMGARTEN
EAST HAMPTON, NY

my name is Mirele Baumgarten. I think the best part of the Kinus was making friends. Now I have a new friend from the Kinus (especially a shlucha). The Kinus is THE BEST!!

ROCHIE KRINSKY,
A PROUD SHLUCHA
IN MANCHESTER,
NEW HAMPSHIRE

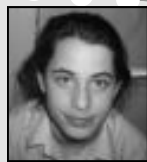


BRACHA POLTER, AGE 9
ACRON, MA

Let me first introduce myself before I go on about the kinus. My name is Bracha. I am 9 years old. And I go to school at home. It was my first time at the kinus and I wasn't sure whether I would like it or not. Then kids started arriving and we went on a trip. The whole time at the kinus we learned songs, played games and did activities. If you davened nicely you would get Rebbe pictures. There were all different sizes. Small, medium, big, and two big ones had frames. And I made a friend. Now she's my pen-pal. I hope I can go again next year. I had a lot of fun!

Kinus
Incredible
Never-ending spirit
United
Shluchos

Happy
Activities
Super
Hot skates
Laughing
Unbelievable
Cold
Hiskashrus
Unforgettable



RIVKY SHEMTOV, AGE 12
BROOKLYN, NY
Hello Shluchos!

I was at the kinus and I was really impressed by the way all the younger and older Shluchos acted.

I had a lot of fun even though my bunk was made up of 9, 10, 11, and 12 year olds. My bunk had 7 girls. we did everything together and we had a blast!

Shabbos morning, the camp davened together and 3 girls won a big picture of the Rebbe in a nice frame.

We went on a trip with our program and had amazing games with our head counselors. The last night of the kinus, Mrs. Levilev came to sing. We danced and sang with her. I met a lot of new people in the kinus and I think whoever had not gone to the Kinus this year should join next year because it is an amazing camp, and I am sure everybody had a lot of fun!

Whoever would like to keep in touch with me, email me at whatevah93@gmail.com.

Hamantashen Recipes

Dough:

Put:

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.



Chedva



Menucha

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

Submitted by: Nechama Bell, age 10 from Montreal, Canada

3/4 cup vegetable oil

3 teaspoons baking powder

3 large eggs

6 cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons vanilla

flour for dipping

3/4 cup cold water

apricot or prune butter

1 cup sugar

1 large egg-beaten

cinnamon/sugar

Preheat oven to 350°. Cover two baking sheets with parchment or foil.

Either by hand or in a mixer, combine the oil, eggs, vanilla, water, sugar, baking powder and flour. Knead until it forms a soft dough. Roll the dough out into a very thin layer.

Dip the rim of a 3-to 4-inch cup or glass in flour. Use the glass like a cookie cutter to cut out circles. Re-roll the scraps of dough and reuse.

In the center of each circle, drop a teaspoon of apricot butter or prune butter. Shape into a triangle by folding two sides of the circle to the center and pinch together at the corners. Fold remaining side up to the center and pinch together at the corners.

Place hamantaschen one inch apart on the baking sheet. Brush with beaten egg. Sprinkle with cinnamon/sugar. Make sure corners are tightly pinched so they don't open during baking. Bake for 20 minutes. Can be made in advance and frozen.

Yield: 4 dozen



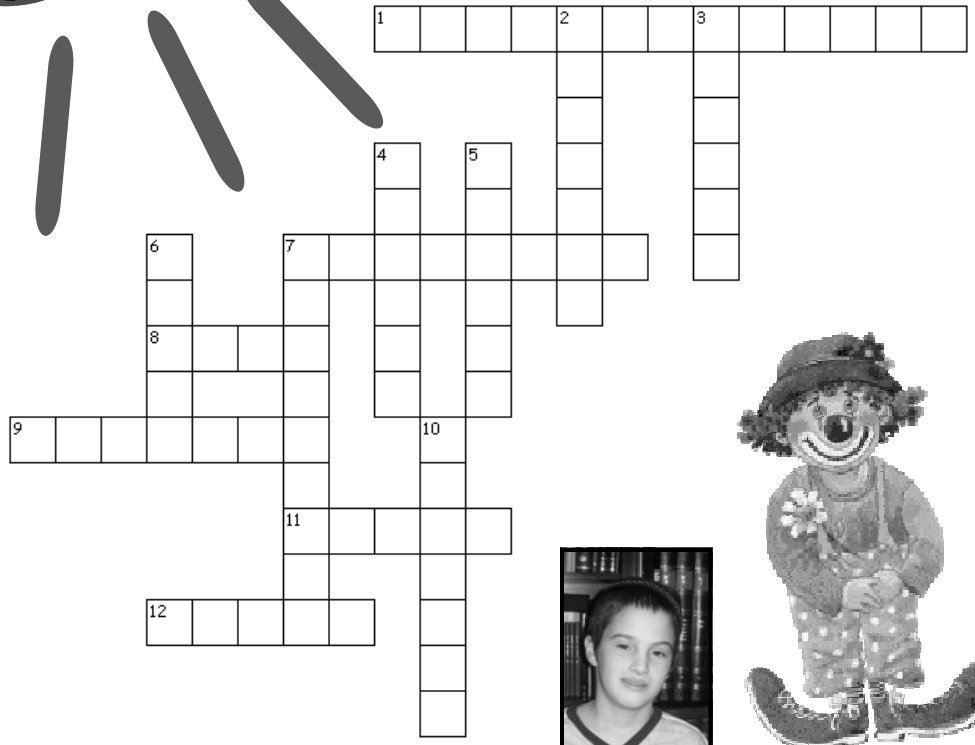
PURIM FUN PAGES

ACROSS

1. A foolish king
7. You read from me on Purim
8. The name of the month
9. You dress up in one of me
11. The man who tried to kill the Jews
12. The name of the Yom Tov

DOWN

2. The town of the Purim story
3. The queen after Vashti
4. The "BIG" one in the plot to poison the king
5. Someone tried to hang someone on this
6. This thing lasted 180 days
7. The man who Haman hated most
10. A thing you use to make noise with on Purim



Submitted by: Yisrolik Kievman, age 11 from Liverpool, England

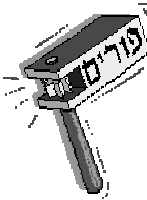
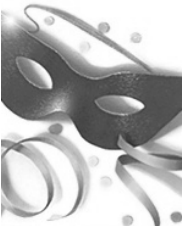
Are You a Purim Expert?

1. How many times is Hashem's name mentioned in the מגילה?
a. 0 b. 45 c. 23 d. 3
2. Who was the King in the Purim story?
a. Antiochus b. אחשורוש c. שאול d. דריוש
3. Hamantashen comes from two German words that mean:
a. Haman's cars b. 3-cornered hat c. none of the above
4. The day before Purim is called:
a. שושן פורים b. שבת זכור c. תענית אסתר
5. Who was זרש?
a. Haman's wife b. Queen of King אחשורוש c. Haman's daughter
6. How many times are men and women required to listen to the reading of the מגילה?
a. 1 b. 2 c. 3
7. How did Haman decide the day that the Yidden were to be killed?
a. he had a dream b. he made a גורל c. he asked אסתר

Submitted by: Elimelech Lasker, Brussels, Belgium

Purim Unscramble

- UMIPR _____
- HSSUHNA _____
- GIKN _____
- UQENE _____
- YPATR _____
- TERHSE _____
- MAHAN _____
- CIHAODRM _____
- MNITSAHUNEH _____
- ACHHSAVARHSO _____
- EMTSOC _____
- SERHO _____



Submitted by: Devorah Hodakov, New Haven, CT



CRACK THE CODE

Submitted by: Leibel Blum, age 9 from Ottawa, Canada

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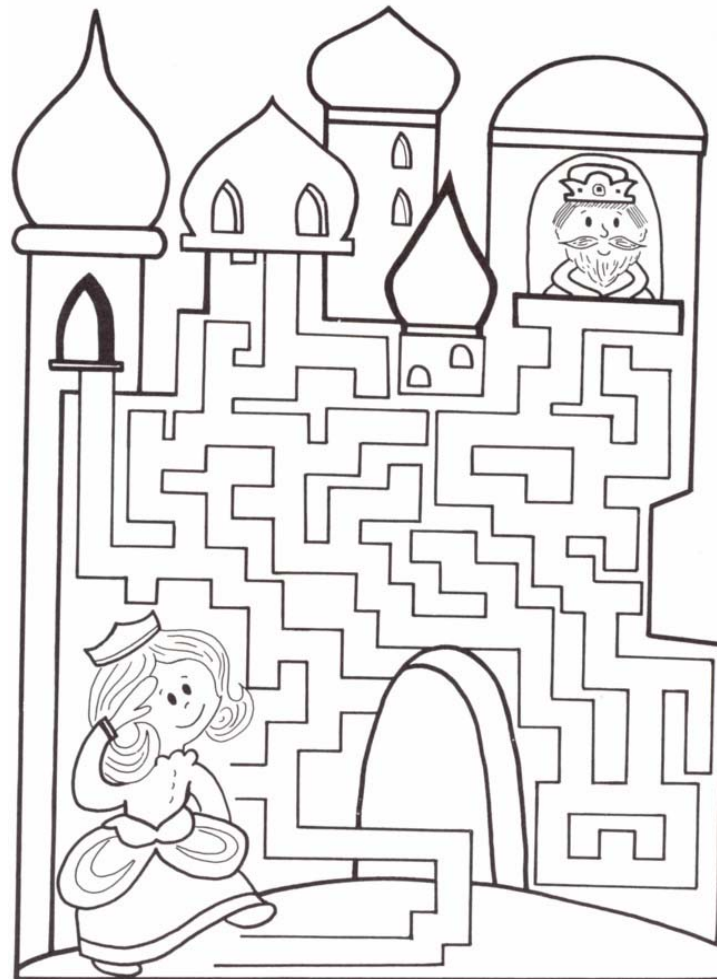
PURIM WORDFIND



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המנ, מרדכי, אסתר, הדסה, ושתי, חרבונה, המנטאשנ,
 משלוח מנות, מתנות לאביונים, מגילת אסתר, שושנפורים,
 פורים, י"ד ט"ו אדר, פור, כתר, סוס, עמלק, מלכ

SHOW THE WAY FOR QUEEN ESTHER TO CHOOSE,
 TO GO TO THE KING TO PLEAD FOR THE JEWS.



Submitted by: Motti Diskin, age 9 from Berlin, Germany

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